



MESSAGE NOTES

Biblical Words : Salvation

1 Peter 1:23

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1. Freedom from the past

1 Peter 1:23 For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

This verse is written in past tense. You don't need to wait until the day you go to heaven to experience God's salvation. We experience salvation right here, right now, through the imperishable seed of God's Holy Spirit in our hearts. This Holy Spirit brings new life to every area of our hearts and lives. It frees us from the influence of sin and from the restrictions of our past mistakes.

2. Peace in the present

Hebrews 6:17 Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath.

When we choose to accept and follow Jesus God confirms our salvation with an oath. God didn't need to do this but He did it so that we could have extra reassurance and encouragement. Our salvation is guaranteed. This reassurance steadies our hearts in the midst of all of life's storms.

3. Hope for the future

1 Corinthians 2:9 "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him."

When you know your future is guaranteed and that it's a wonderful future beyond all you could ever imagine, it changes your way of living. True salvation is a complete victory over all the troubles of this life and a guaranteed eternity of perfect bliss in heaven. This is where our hope is. Not only is everything going to be all right, it's going to be all good and only getting better for all eternity.