**A REASON TO HOPE | 1 PETER 1:6-12**

**WAVE CHURCH SD | MAY 31, 2020**

REJOICING = PRAISING GOD

A MARK OF AN AUTHENTIC CHRISTIAN IS REJOICING

IN THE MIDST OF DIFFICULTIES

**1 Peter 1:3-6 (ESV)**

*3Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his   
great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through   
the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, 5who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in   
the last time. 6In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials…*

**TWO REASONS A CHRISTIAN CAN REJOICE IN TRIALS**

1. **THE PROMISE OF A GREAT FUTURE**
2. **GOD HAS A DESIGN FOR MY DISTRESS**

* YOUR LEVEL OF DISAPPOINTMENT IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO WHERE YOU PLACE YOUR HOPE.

**GOD NEVER WASTES OUR PAIN; HE REPURPOSES IT!**

**Romans 8:28 (ESV)**

*And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.*

**James 1:2-4 (ESV)**

*2Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, 3for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. 4And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.*

**GROWTH = CHANGE | CHANGE = LOSS | LOSS = PAIN**

**GROWTH = PAIN**

*“The difference between where I am and where God wants me to be   
is the pain I’m willing to endure.” –* Samuel Chand

**1 Peter 1:7 (ESV)** *so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.*

**TRIALS TEACH US HOW TO USE OUR FAITH**

**FAITH IS NOT A SINGLE ACT**

**FAITH IS A REPETITIVE CHOICE THAT   
CAUSES ME TO ACT IN FAITH**

**1 Peter 1:8-9 (ESV)** *8Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, 9obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.*

**HOPE RIGHTLY PLACED NEVER DISAPPOINTS**

**1 Peter 1:10-12 (ESV)** *10Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, 11inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. 12It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.*

**Matthew 16:13-18 (ESV)** *13Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” 14And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” 15He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” 16Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” 17And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. 18And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*

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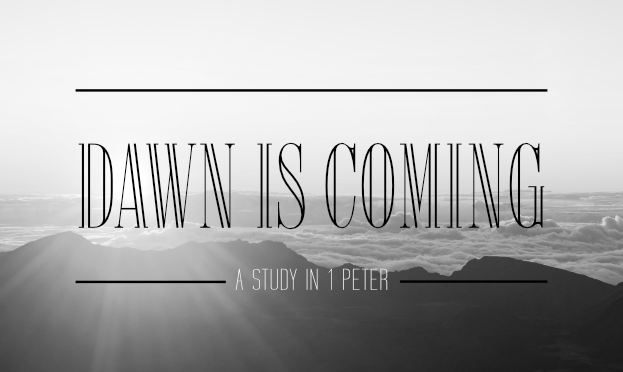
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