

# **“Our Response to God’s Great Salvation” 1/13/19**

## **1 Peter 1:13-16**

Sermon Series- “*Living for the Glory of God in a Hostile World*”

**Big Idea-** By setting our hope fully on the grace that is ours, now and in the future, we need to live a life of mindful self-control and holy obedience in honor to our Father.

**Themes-** Glory in the midst of suffering, our election & inheritance, how to live in a hostile world, **Jesus suffered and received glory after**, we are the people of God joined to Israel, Don’t abandon hope or become bitter, Jesus is returning to culminate our Salvation.

*“For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required.”*

**Luke 12:48** (cf. Ephesians 1:3)

**LESSON 1-** Our grateful response should begin in our THINKING

- A. Our thinking and perspectives of this life are rooted in confident **HOPE** (1:3; “living hope”; Titus 2:11-4; 2 Tim 4:10; Rom 8:18-39; Heb 6:19)
- B. The greatest commandment requires us to love God with our **MINDS** (Luke 12:35-36; Mark 12:30; 1 Peter 3:15; 2 Cor 10:5; Eph 6:14)
- C. God desires for us to be sober or **SELF-CONTROLLED** (Gal 5:23; 1 Cor 6:10; Eph 5:18; 1 Peter 5:8; no distractions from Grace!)

**Going Deeper** *God wants you to become an optimist because you are hoping in Him!*

**LESSON 2-** Our grateful response should continue in our CONDUCT

- A. God expects obedience and to no longer reflect our old **LIFE** (**Rom 12:1-2**; Eph 4:18; John 14;15, 21; 1 John 2:3-5; John 17:17)
  - 1) Ignorance of God / knowledge of Jesus and God’s truth
  - 2) Not part of God’s family / one of God’s chosen kids
  - 3) Controlled by sinful desires / controlled by Spirit in obedience
  - 4) Wasted futile life / Holy, purposeful way of life
  - 5) Affirmed by world (Luke 6:26) / misunderstood, maligned by world
- B. The standard of holiness is not human, but **GOD HIMSELF** (Matt 5:48; Lev 11:44-45; Hab 1:13; James 4:4; what is your standard?)

**Going Deeper** *God expects your walk to match your talk and to live HOLY!*

*“I, therefore, urge you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called.”*  
Ephesians 4:1 (contrast Titus 1:16)

**Our Vision- Striving to be Disciples who make Disciples**