



**#6 Called To Live Like Jesus In  
The Land Of Exile  
The Only Way of Hope  
1 Peter 3:13-22(ESV)**

## The Way of Hope

### 1. The Way of Hope found in **DOING GOOD.**

**1 Peter 3:13-17 (ESV)** Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup> But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup> but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, <sup>16</sup> having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup> For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

- We are called to be **A BLESSING.**

**1 Peter 3:8-9 (ESV)** Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. <sup>9</sup> Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing.

- Peter encourages us to live in submission through Two Words

➤ **BLESSING**

**1 Peter 3:15 (ESV)** but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.

➤ **FEAR**

**1 Peter 1:17 (ESV)** And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile

### 2. The Way of Hope found in **JESUS.**

**1 Peter 3:18-22 (ESV)** For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup> in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup> because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that

is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. <sup>21</sup> Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

### 3. Why did Jesus go through the trauma of the cross?

- One very important reason was to **SAVE US.**

### 4. What did Jesus save us from?

- He saved us from our **GREATEST ENEMY.**

### 5. What is our greatest enemy?

- Our greatest enemy is **GOD**

**Luke 12:5 (ESV)** But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him!

### 6. Jesus bridged the gap between us and God and **SETTLED ACCOUNTS**

**1 Peter 3:19 (ESV)** in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water.

**We Can Live In Hope Because We Are Blessed By  
God And Jesus Has Saved Us From Our Greatest  
Enemy God Himself!**

**Are You In His Family Today?  
Are You Living The Blessed Life  
Of An Elect Exile Of The Dispersion?**