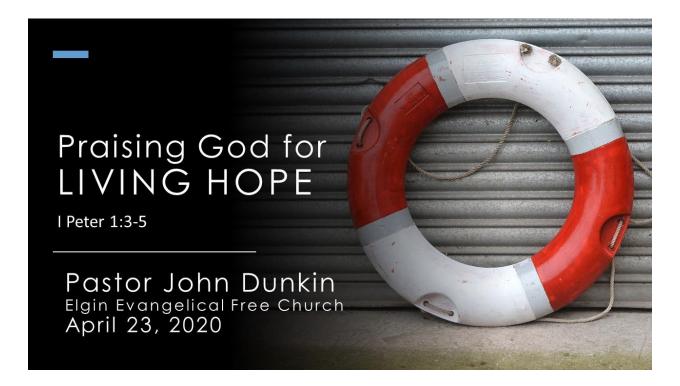
# **Sermon notes and Study Questions**



PRAISE is the prescription Peter gives to those who are drowning in the struggles of this world.

<sup>3</sup>*Blessed* be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ

- I. Praising God for MERCY 1:3 Ephesians 2:4-5
  - A. Mercy's Action
  - B. Mercy's Means
- II. Praising God for INHERITANCE 1:4 Ephesians 1:18
  - A. Imperishable
  - B. Undefiled

Matthew 6:20

## C. Unfading

#### D. Reserved

# III. Praising God for PROTECTION – 1:5

#### A. Kept through Power

Romans 8:31 Jude 1:24-25

## B. Kept through Faith

I John 5:4 Philippians 1:6

# C. Kept FOR GOOD!

Revelation 22:1-5

## Study Questions: | Peter 1:3-5

<u>Question #1</u>: How does PRAISE (cheering) help us to endure pressure in life? Why do we need something better than sports to cheer about?

<u>Question #2:</u> God has cause us to be "born again to a living hope" by His mercy. How would you define mercy and how is it different from grace?

<u>Question #3</u>: How is "living hope" different from much of the hope we see around us today?

<u>Question #4</u>: What are you hoping to inherit someday? How is our inheritance different from an earthly inheritance?

<u>Question #5</u> Which of the descriptions of our inheritance (imperishable, undefiled, will not fade away, reserved) speaks to your heart right now? Why?

<u>Question #6</u>: How does God's power partner with our faith to protect us while enduring the pressure of this world?

<u>Question #7</u>: Does the thought of death being a "move that bus" moment encourage your heart? Why?