

# Expect God To Do The Unimaginable!

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## Glimmer of Hope pt. 4

**Romans 15:13**, *May the God of **hope** fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with **hope** by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

**1 Peter 1:8**, *Though you have not seen Him, you love Him; and even though you do not see Him now, **you believe in Him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy**, 9 for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.*

## 5 Reasons To Expect God To Do The Unimaginable:

### 1) God Chose ME Long Before I Chose HIM

**1 Peter 1:1**, *Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To God's elect... 2 who have been chosen according to the **foreknowledge** of God the Father, through the **sanctifying** work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with His blood: **Grace** and **peace** be yours in **abundance**.*

- My Salvation Was No ACCIDENT

### 2) God Furnishes Me With Undeserved & Unlimited MERCY

**1 Peter 1:3**, *Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His **great mercy** He has **given us** new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,*

**Titus 3:5**, *He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy.*

- My Salvation Is Not Based On My PERFORMANCE

### 3) My Ultimate Inheritance Is ETERNALLY SECURE

**1 Peter 1:4**, *... He has given us new birth into a living hope through*

*the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 and into an inheritance that can **never perish, spoil or fade**. This inheritance is **kept** in Heaven **for you**,*

**Romans 8:35**, *Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ... 37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him Who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

**- My Eternal Inheritance Is Not Tainted By Present PROBLEMS**

#### **4) My Life Is Protected By The POWER OF GOD**

**1 Peter 1:5**, *who through faith are **shielded by God's power** until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.*

**2 Timothy 1:12**, *That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know Whom I have believed, and am **convinced** that He **is able** to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day.*

**- No Matter What I'm Facing—I Can COUNT ON GOD**

#### **5) My Trials Will Make ME BETTER**

**1 Peter 1:6**, *In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. 7 These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.*

**God Uses My Trials In Three Ways:**

**- To Grow MY FAITH**

**- To Purify MY MOTIVES**

**- To Teach Me To Praise HIM REGARDLESS**

**2 Corinthians 4:17**, *For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.*

**What's Next:**

- Christmas Eve Services: Tonight at 7:00p & Tuesday, December 24 at 1:00p, 3:00p, 5:00p & 7:00p.
- New 2020 Sermon Series Coming in January: **ICYMI: In Case You Missed it!**