

Rejoice because you are saved by the resurrected Jesus who's in control of who's behind who's in control

1. Jesus' suffering brought good for the "divinely _____"

1 Peter 3:18

Hebrews 9:27-28

2 Corinthians 5:21

2. Though symbolized in baptism, it's Jesus' _____ that saves you

1 Peter 3:18-21

"He was put to death **in the human sphere of existence** but was made alive **in the resurrection sphere of existence**, in which state of existence he made a proclamation of his victory to the fallen angels"

Colossians 2:15

There is a genuine relief when your enemy is conquered and an appropriate _____ that ensues now that the threat is no longer at hand

2 Peter 2:4-5

Jude 6

"The Flood pictures the death, burial and resurrection. The waters buried the earth in judgement, but they also lifted Noah and his family up to safety. The early church saw in the ark a picture of salvation. Noah and his family were saved by faith because they believed God and entered into the ark of safety. So sinners are saved by faith when they trust Christ and become one with him."

Warren Wiersbe

3. If you suffer for doing good, it won't catch God by _____

1 Peter 3:22

Jesus is in control of who's _____ who's in control

Jude 24-25

Now What? Rejoice because you are saved by the resurrected Jesus who's in control of who's behind who's in control

Home Group Notes
Week of May 30, 2020
"A People Prepared"
1 Peter 3:18-22



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"Just wait until your father gets home." Have you had a time when you knew that you had done something wrong and the shoe was going to drop? (i.e. You were going to face punishment or wrath)

LEARN FROM THE BIBLE

While this week's passage is a little complicated, it is also very powerful!
Read 1 Peter 3:18-22.

What primary subjects run throughout this passage?

Who is named or mentioned in this passage?

According to this passage, what did Jesus Christ's death and resurrection accomplish for us?
(Please list below)

Comment: Verses 19-20 refer to a proclamation that Jesus made to spirits now in prison. These are fallen angels who sinned during the days of Noah and were subsequently imprisoned. The proclamation was of Jesus' victory over the devil and his demons.

Where do we see the justice of God in this passage? How is the justice of God fulfilled in the lives of fallen angels (spirits)? In people?

We know from many places in Scripture that baptism in water is a response of obedience and not the means of salvation (rescue from the wrath of God). It is symbolic of the means. According to this passage, what is God's plan to save us?

In the days of Noah, the world was so evil that God destroyed it with a flood. How are Noah and his family a picture of salvation? How might this picture connect with water baptism?

Memorize 1 Peter 3:18a? This verse is a summary of what Jesus did and what it accomplished for us – powerful words to tuck away in mind and heart.

DISCUSS TOGETHER

Have you ever thought of the story of Noah as corresponding to our salvation? (20-21) Did it make you wonder about the kindness of God? Why?

The theme of the justice of God is throughout this passage. How do we fit on both sides of God's justice? What other attributes of God are pictured?

What are the signs of Jesus' victory in this passage? How is His victory our gain? What should our response be? (See Psalm 146:17-21; Colossians 3:1-2; Ephesians 4:1; 2 Corinthians 5:17-18)

PRAY TOGETHER

- Please pray for our medical friends serving the world's needs
- Please pray for the unity of God's churches in our community
- Please pray for our global workers, especially those 'stuck' in difficult places
- Pray for our friends who are not yet "made alive" by God's grace