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- "Coronavirus will **stalk** the **human race** for sometime!" Dr. Anthony Fauci
- "The COVID-19 can be **carried** on the **soles** of your **shoes!**"
- "**Infected droplets** can be **propelled** from your mouth, perhaps, 13 **feet** instead of 6!"

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- "**Sneezing** can **create** a 26 foot **cloud of infection!**"
- "In **over 40 years** there is still **no vaccine** for **AIDS!**"
- "Over 24 **deaths** in **Mississippi, Louisiana, and Georgia** due to **Tornados**, as residents wear **masks** in **storm shelters!**"

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1 Peter 1:3-9 (NIV)19

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, **4** and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—

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kept in heaven for you, **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. **6** In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all

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kinds of trials. **7** These have come so that your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—maybe proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

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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 goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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The first epistle of Peter, is a letter probably written from the catacombs, and is often dubbed
"The Epistle Of hope!"

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"Young man, do you have any hope?"

Winston Churchill's question to
 Billy Graham

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Romans 8:24,
 "We are **saved**
 by **hope**!"

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1 Peter 1:1,
 "To the ***Saints*** who are **scattered**....."

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1. What is the "**reasonable foundation**" for our **hope**?"

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1 Peter 3:15,
 "Always ***be prepared*** to ***give***
 an ***answer*** to everyone who
asks you for a ***reason*** for
 the ***hope*** that you have!"

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The word "***reason***" in
 the Greek is the word
labak", from which we
 get the English word
logical".

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Matthew 6:19,
 "It's ***stupid*** to lay up ***treasure***
 on ***earth***! Moths will ***eat it***, rust
 will ***corrode it***, and thieves will
 break through and ***steal it!***"

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Proverbs 10:28,
 "The ***prospect*** of the
righteous is ***joy***, but the
hope of the ***wicked*** turns
 to ***nothing.***"

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Our ***hope*** based on ***Jesus***
Christ is "***logical***" and
 "***reasonable***" for two
 reasons:

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First, it is
 "***based***" on
 "***historical fact!***"

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1 Peter 1:3,
 “We **have** this **hope**
 through the **resurrection**
 of **Jesus Christ** from the
 dead!”

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Secondly, it is
 “**Reasonable**” because
 it is **focused** on
 “**permanent values!**”

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1 Peter 1:4,
 “Your **living hope** is an
inheritance that can never
perish, spoil, or fade! It’s
 kept **reserved** in **Heaven**
 for you!”

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**“I CAN’T WAIT
 UNTIL I GET TO
 HEAVEN!”**

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1. What is the “**reasonable foundation**” for our **hope**?
2. What “**relevance**” does the “**hope**” of a “**resurrection**” 2,000 years ago have for me, **today**?

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First, this “**hope**”
 gives us “**power**”
 for “**daily living.**”

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"Man can **stand** any ***adversity*** except ***meaninglessness.***"

Viktor Frankl, Austrian
Neurologist and Holocaust
Survivor

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"Where there is **no** ***faith*** in the ***future***, there is **no power** in the ***present.***"

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Secondly, this "**hope**" gives us a "**promise**" for "**strained relationships.**"

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Thirdly, this "**hope**" gives "**purpose**" to "**painful experiences.**"

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1 Peter 1:6,
"Though now, for a **little while**, you may have ***suffered grief***, and all kinds of ***trials***; these have

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come so that your ***faith*** may be **proved genuine**, and may ***result*** in ***praise, glory, and honor***, when Jesus Christ is ***revealed!***"

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Fourthly, this
 "**hope**" gives us
 "**peace**" in "**troubled**
times"!

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1 Peter 1:5,
 "You're **shielded** by **God's**
power, until the **coming** of
salvation, that is going to be
revealed in the **last times**."

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1 Peter 1:7,
 "Your **faith**, though **tried by**
fire, is going to **result** in
praise, glory, and honor,
 when Jesus Christ is
revealed!"

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Daniel 4:35,
 "He **does** as He **pleases** with the
powers of **heaven**, and the
peoples of the **earth**. No one
 can **hold back** His **hand**, or **say**
 to **Him, what** have You **done?**"

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1. What is the "**reasonable**"
foundation" for our **hope**?
2. What "**relevance**" does the "**hope**"
 of a "**resurrection**" 2,000 years
 ago have for me, **today**?
3. This "**hope**" also brings a "**lot**" of
responsibility"!

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Primarily, we have a
 "**responsibility**" to
 "**share**" our "**hope**"
 with "**others!**"

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1 Peter 3:14,
 "Be ***prepared*** to ***give*** an ***answer***, to ***everyone*** who ***asks*** you, to ***give*** a ***reason*** for the ***hope*** that you ***have***."

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Four Categories Of Belief:

- *The Evangelical Christian*
- *The Liberal Thinker*
- *The Secular Humanist*
- *The Communist - Marxist*

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God is ***supreme***,
 and ***His Word***, the
Bible, is ***true***!

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"Life without God is a ***hopeless end***, but with him it's an ***endless hope!***"

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"Lord Jesus, I believe You were born without sin and lived a perfect life, that You suffered and died for my sins, that You were buried and raised again to life, and that You ascended to Heaven to prepare a place for those who put their trust in You. I confess my sinfulness against You and ask You to forgive me and draw me to Yourself. I welcome You into my life and ask You to change my heart. I commit to following You in obedience and look forward to Your glorious return. Amen."

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