



Sermon Outline
February 14-15, 2026
Pastor Bryan Myers
**A Hopeful Life
In a Hostile World**
1 Peter 3

*** Peter's example is one of a life _____
by Christ.**

1. Faith starts at _____.

** We sometimes treat strangers better than our own family. Like guarding our tongue with others, but saying things we shouldn't at home.*

*** Godly character should be _____ in the home.**

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*** You can't be right with _____ when you're wrong with people.**

1 Peter 3:7 - Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers.

2. Don't match the _____. Change the temperature.

1 Peter 3:8-9 - Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble. Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing.

*** Christ followers break the cycle of _____ by choosing to respond with grace.**

3. Hope in the _____ changes perspective about the present.

1 Peter 3:15a - But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.

*** When you have hope, suffering does not have the _____.**

*** Demonstrating the hope of Christ in your life is one of the ways to help get God on people's _____.**

*** An important question:** *Does my life make it _____ or harder for people to see Jesus?*

4. True transformation requires being _____.

1 Peter 3:21a - ...and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God.

*** The Greek word for "pledge" is *eperōtēma* meaning a _____ made to God.**

*** Baptism is a demonstration of _____ to God that says – "I'm all in!"**

Here's the challenge for this week:

*** If there's a relationship that needs grace, be the one who takes the _____.**

*** If you've been reacting in anger or frustration, choose _____ instead.**

*** If you're walking through hardship, hold onto hope and _____ with your story.**



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