

## **THE JOY OF SALVATION**

I Peter 1:6-9

### **INTRO:**

- A. Peter describes great joy and rejoicing, even in our trials, because of the salvation offered in Jesus.
- B. While there is “the thrill of victory” there is also “the agony of defeat” for those who refuse the Savior.

### **I. JESUS SAVES**

- A. Wells of salvation. Isaiah 12:3-5
  - 1. A prophecy of Jesus. Isaiah 11:1-2
- B. No other Savior. Acts 4:9-12
- C. Victory in Jesus. I Corinthians 15:55-57
- D. Eternal life in the Son. I John 5:11-13

### **II. THE JOY OF SALVATION**

- A. Joy in believing. Acts 16:30-34
- B. Joy in obeying. Acts 8:35-39
- C. Joy inexpressible. I Peter 1:3-9

### **III. THE AGONY OF DEFEAT**

- A. Destroyed, lost. Luke 9:23-25
- B. Destroyed in hell. Matthew 10:28
- C. Everlasting destruction. Matthew 25:41, 46
- D. For those who do not obey. 2 Thess. 1:7-9

### **CONCLUSION:**

- A. Both messages are important:
  - 1. The “thrill of victory,” eternal salvation offered in Christ
  - 2. The “agony of defeat,” eternal damnation to those who refuse Him.
- B. God offers salvation in Jesus but it’s up to us to choose Jesus and life through faith and obedience.
- C. Won’t you choose Him today?