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SEVEN BLESSINGS OF THE RESURRECTION

1 Peter 1:3-9 (ESV)

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹ obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

1. New Birth

"he has caused us to be born again"

2. Living Hope

"he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead

3. Sure Inheritance

"to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,"

4. Divine Power

"to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, 5 who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

5. Joy in Sufferings

⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials,"

5. Genuine Faith

⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

7. The Second Coming of Jesus

"—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ."