

1Peter 10-11-05a

This is Friday the 5th of November 2010. We continue our study in the book of 1st Peter resuming in verse 4 and take a moment as we begin to Go to the Lord in silent individual prayer it gives us the opportunity to Sort of clear the decks and take just a second to remember the importance of the study of God's Word the importance of the ministry of God's Spirit and the importance of our fellowship and our Assembly all of those things are Woven together in God's unique plan and purpose for this age and it's a great privilege that we enjoy so we Take a moment to sort of load those things in the front of our minds as we begin the study of God's Word Shall we pray? Father it is such a wonderful privilege to Assemble with believers of like mind Recognizing the nature of the truth of your word how important it is to our souls and to our understanding to our spiritual growth to enabling us and empowering us to live a better life and To be better people than we could ever possibly be Under our own power. We are corrupt.

We're fallen. We belong to a kingdom of darkness our thoughts trend toward sin and toward selfishness and toward earthly things But through the illumination of your spirit through the power of your word through the gifts that the Lord Jesus has given us because of his work on the cross entering us into relationship with you and Transferring us from darkness into light and from hopelessness into hope We enjoy all of these wonderful benefits. We thank you for the Opportunity to study your word this evening.

We thank you for this portion of The New Testament that is before us and we ask that as we look at it tonight each one of us can see meaningful principles and promises and doctrines that will Equip us for every good work that will enlighten us and motivate us and prepare us for the eternal future that is Ever nearer at hand we pray all these things in Jesus name. Amen You remember in the First epistle of Peter the first three verses which we have covered Peter an apostle of Jesus Christ To the chosen pilgrims of the dispersion in Pontius Galatia Cappadocia Asia and Bithynia According to the foreknowledge of God the Father In sanctification of the Spirit for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ grace to you and peace be multiplied Last time we looked at verse 3 blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who according to his abundant mercy Has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead to an inheritance Incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away. You remember those three alpha privative words in Greek it is Described in that threefold.

It's almost a three-dimensional Picture of what it isn't it doesn't corrupt it doesn't defile and it does not disintegrate or disappear Reserved in heaven for you who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation Ready to be revealed in the last time in this you greatly rejoice though now for a little while if need be You have been grieved by various trials So we resume sort of in the middle of that thought tonight in verse 4 I think we have a pretty good grip on the inheritance incorruptible Undefiled that does not fade away Reserved in heaven for you. So let me ask you a question It's kind of a pop quiz What does the last part of this verse mean? reserved in heaven

for you Specifically The the specific nature of the question is To what does the prepositional phrase in heaven refer? I'll make it multiple choice in heaven in the last part of first Peter 1 4 refers to a inheritance be Reserved did the reserving take place in heaven or is the inheritance in heaven? And why am I asking this question and you don't have to answer because you know that if you just wait a few minutes I'll I'll tell you what I think but it is an important question. And here's why Are we going to heaven when we die? Do you pick up your inheritance in heaven is your is? Your inheritance located in heaven and you have to be in heaven to take possession of it because that's where it exists or Is Peter saying that this inheritance has been? Reserved in heaven God in heaven has reserved it and it could be anywhere it could be on earth It could be in the in the new earth.

It could be in heaven. It did the location isn't necessarily specified So does the verbal action? Represented by the word reserved is that what's in heaven or is the actual inheritance in heaven? You get the the nature of the question and and it is important well, I'll tell you it's it is reserved in heaven and this isn't just me talking, you know, my Understanding in which I have shared many times with the nature of resurrection and future existence We do not Quote unquote go to heaven when we die and that's sort of a bold and shocking statement to make in in many circles But the Bible does not say When you die you go to heaven But it is verses like this and particularly a slight Misapprehension of verses like this that lead people and have led people for centuries to believe that we go to heaven when we die Your inheritance is in heaven and so you've got to go to heaven and receive it assuming you qualify for one well let me assure you that that the grammatical construction and interpretation and the application of hermeneutics that Link the prepositional phrase in heaven to the verb reserved which we'll talk about more in a moment Is not by no means unique to me. In fact, if you look in the New Treasury of Scripture knowledge There is a note, you know how many times it's just a string of references and short Observations and then other times they will extemporize it and give a little bit longer note Well, there is a longer note in the Treasury of Scripture knowledge on this passage and this is what it says Reserved in heaven the inheritance is not in heaven For by prophecy and covenant confirmed by an oath the inheritance is upon earth and then he gives references Matthew 5 5 Which says blessed are the meek for they shall inherit what? the earth Ephesians 1 1 I'm sorry 1 11 And the note on that Hebrews 1 16 and the note on that he further says the inheritance is not in heaven, but from heaven and Then gives us 2nd Timothy 4 18 and is not present but future and he cites Colossians 1 13 and 2nd Timothy 4 1 Then he says again the inheritance is not in heaven But is reserved in heaven just as Scripture elsewhere teaches that our names are written in heaven so We're we're not in the weeds.

We're not out on the flaky edge here most scholars agree that we're talking about God's action in decreeing and creating and assigning and Holding title of inheritance in heaven for those That it has been prepared to receive That's a bad sentence, but I hope that was too far down the road to fix it. Sorry about that For whom it has been prepared the inheritance is reserved Unto those for whom it has been prepared. I'm much happier with that so Why are we agonizing over this

grammatical point a We want to be sure that we don't misunderstand where we're going when the Lord Jesus returns and or when we die Let me ask you this question just by way of review What did Jesus say in John 14? Let not your hearts be troubled you believe in God believe also in me and my father's house or many Places if it were not so I would have told you I Go to do what? I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go by the way the word prepare there is Hey toy Madzo a toy Madzo.

It's the verb that means to get something ready to Make ready to prepare to put something in a state of readiness I I Go to prepare a place for you And if I go I will come again and receive you to myself that where I am there ye may be also now Did heaven exist? before Jesus came Did heaven exist before? John 14 Yes, it did so if Jesus is going to prepare a place for us It seems rather unlikely that we would be going to heaven which already existed He is preparing a place that at the time that he said these words did not exist I go to prepare a place for you The only real argument that has any traction is to say well It's a corner of heaven that was sort of undeveloped then he's going to go put in a neighborhood in heaven you know what I mean you could you could make it work that way, but Yeah, this is a new place you say well now is this going to be like a third Area that isn't earth and isn't heaven I will tell you from my Conjugation of the various passages especially our study in the book of Revelation not too long ago that I believe what Jesus is preparing is the new Jerusalem which Comes down from heaven so One could argue that we might be living in that Jerusalem in heaven during the thousand years of the Millennial Kingdom and In that sense perhaps we go to heaven when we die. I Could live with that that might be a happy compromise but the Picture that we see at the end of Revelation is that city? Seemingly coming down out of heaven as a new thing like this is going to be its first occupancy Not that it's coming down laden with residents that have been there for ten centuries I could be wrong about that, but that's just my impression feel free to disagree. It's not it's not doctrine It isn't anything to die for that's that's how I see it If you want to believe that we go to heaven when you die Feel free there's there's no strong argument against that either But I think that there is a unique place, and this is nothing new to theology remember Abraham's bosom What kind of a place is that is Abraham's bosom in heaven apparently not is it on earth apparently not whereas Hades is that heaven No, is it earth? No, so we're we're not Unfamiliar with places that are elsewhere that are neither heaven nor earth and if there's a Hades and if there's a grave and if there's a show and if there is Paradise and Abraham's bosom then I wouldn't think it would be a great stretch that Jesus could create a bride chamber To which he will take the bride at the marriage supper of the Lamb and There will be By way of analogy at least sort of this honeymoon period Where we have the Lord Jesus sort of to ourselves, and he's not occupied with Whatever is going to take place in the eternal future, so it's a picture.

It's an accommodation our understanding of course is very limited All of that as we come back to first Peter chapter 1 In forms our understanding of verse 4 He has begotten us Again to a living hope now. We were given the means of that living hope It's through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead That's how we are entered into a place where we are qualified to inherit now

We're back to what the living hope is it is an inheritance Incorruptible and undefiled that does not fade away Reserved in heaven for you This would be a good time to take a look at the word reserved This is the word tereo in Greek t-e-r-e-o Tereo means to Keep watch over something to to guard it to Secure it It has the idea of Watching over in order to protect a thing That's tereo guarded in heaven watched over in heaven And you and you can see why understanding what in heaven refers to is important when you look at the value of this verb this inheritance When it says it's incorruptible and undefiled and not going to deteriorate not going to wither not going to fall apart Not going to be extinguished not not going to Go away The reason it is incorruptible the reason it is undefiled the reason it fadeth not away is Because it is guarded it is watched over it is in the heavenly Accounting books it is under the heavenly security system God is the one that guarantees this and this is a wonderful thing I prepared dr. Criswell's Sunday evening sermon today and the Title of the sermon from Galatians chapter 3 is the bewitched Galatians Oh Foolish Galatians who hath bewitched you That you're falling away from grace and going back under the law salvation by works But the the audio clip that I pulled from this Dr. Criswell is talking about people who? Are not sure of their salvation because they base their level of confidence on how they feel So today I feel good hallelujah.

I'm saved But tomorrow I'm down I maybe I have a failure I have a setback I I mess up in a big way And I'm and he says you're down in the dumps you're down in the well You're down in the dust, and you say I'm probably not saved And he says we cannot base our confidence our security of our salvation on ourselves Because we're all over the map. We're up. We're down.

We're in we're out. We're good. We're bad.

We're faithful. We're unfaithful We're variable we are inconstant we are fickle we are unreliable Salvation thank the Lord does not Depend it doesn't rest on us it rests in Christ in whom is no variability or shadow of turning and Because our salvation rests in Christ it is secure eternal security That doctrine the idea that you can't lose your salvation has at its core the fact that salvation is of God and Rests in Christ and God does not fail God does not change God does not alter His covenant He if there's anything in the universe upon and outside the universe upon which you can rely it is God If God says a thing that's it He says you're saved. He says you belong to me You are a gift to my son the Lord Jesus Christ you are body and bride of Christ And I don't gouge bits and pieces off of the body because they are faithless When we are faithless he remains faithful.

He cannot deny himself. That's the doctrine of eternal security well Think about that same idea in terms of inheritance this inheritance is Incorruptible and undefiled and fades not away because God in heaven has decreed it God has ordained it God has Allocated it and God is watching over it, and you think well. I never really Had any worries about my inheritance fading away Well did you ever? wonder What happens if you? Fall off the spiritual wagon if you commit a grievous sin if you What if you go into some sort of apostasy or? Backsliding or reversionism or whatever your particular word is for big-time ongoing pattern of failure What if you turn into King Saul? Can you

lose your inheritance as yes you can? Did Esau have an inheritance that was? Reserved for him because he was the firstborn son.

Yes. He did did he lose it yes? by his own bad decision his Irresponsibility he lost it can we do the same thing yes, we can so how do you reconcile that this is the big question now? Here's incorruptible undefiled doesn't fade away kept by the power of God. It's it's up there being watched over so Seems like he couldn't lose it.

Well. What is the rest of the of the passage say? Reserved and really I would not Knowing what I know now, and if I had been called upon to do the verse divisions in this book I would not put a break between verse four and five Because this flows together Reserved in heaven for you who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation Ready to be revealed in the last time it's all together all of these Phrases hang together in a beautiful syntactic entirety You can't just pick one part out. It's got qualifiers.

It's got conditions and support and perspective from all different places, so Here is the the inheritance itself is Is Not perishable, and it's watched over by God who is unchanging and ultimately faithful the very definition of faithfulness So where is the fail point? How could the inheritance not come to us? Well, this is phrased in the positive in the same way it's as though Peter is really trying to be encouraging and he could have said the inheritance is Instead of saying you know three not words incorruptible undefiled not fading. He could have said permanent lasting and Unchained and and and Permanent you know three positive words for you who Don't fail and don't fade and don't quit and he could have put the negatives on the person But in this encouragement mode he very tactfully Switches it and he puts the negative words on the inheritance. It's incorruptible unfaded unfading for you who are these positive things and So it is by implication that if you are not these positive things the inheritance itself which is Permanent and guarded by God could nevertheless Be removed, how do we know that this is true? What happened in the Old Testament did God promise the land of Israel to the people of Israel? Did he promise he would drive the Canaanites out did he promise them victory? Did he promise them security? Do you promise them prosperity? Did he promise them abundant flocks and herds and milk and honey and all the rest? Yes Was that a permanent inheritance? Was it guarded by God for them through all the hundreds of years that they were down in Egypt? Yes How did they lose it because they manifestly lost it? It wasn't a failure on God's part and it wasn't like the land sunk into the sea They gave it away.

So remember when we look at this passage, there is a wonderful inheritance and that beautiful city those Opportunities those seats next to the Lord Jesus Christ as he rules and reigns those white stones and new names those Descriptive Blessings given at the end of each of the seven letters to the churches in Revelation 2 and 3 those are absolute They are going to be given to someone This is what they do in contests. Have you ever read the fine print? I am a fine print reader I don't know why but I always read you know, I see fine print. I have to read it Yeah, it's

kind of annoying but you know, they'll have a contest somebody's having kind we're giving away first prize is a Hummer and second prize is a is a You know very much smaller cheaper car third prize big-screen TV Then you read the fine print It's you know must be 21 much of this and the other not valid in the state of Nevada this that you know, etc So it's all this little stuff in the fine print and what they say down there in all of these contests is If it's one of these things where you have to pull the magic pop top off or when I pop tops if you get the magic bottle cap or it's a Code number if nobody gets it if you got the McDonald's French fries that had the magic code in the bottom and you just threw it away and So first prize that they draw nobody claims it they have a means of assigning it if nobody claims the first prize they they go another route all Prizes will be awarded.

That's what it says in the fine print You might have had the winning Hummer Bottletop in your hand and you didn't bother to check the web. You didn't play the game You just drank the coke and threw the thing away. Well, you threw away a Hummer and you didn't know it you threw away You know Somebody was giving away a fully restored 1965 Camaro No, I'm sorry.

It was a for it was a Mustang. It was a night It was a fully restored racing stripe at all 1965 Mustang The reason I remember is because our neighbor when I was a little boy had one of these sitting in the driveway Ted's dad bought one of these Mustangs. Oh, man, you talk about a sweet even as a child I could tell that was a sweet car Anyway, all prizes will be awarded If somebody doesn't claim it, we'll have a runoff.

We'll go to the second best We'll you know, we'll keep going until we find a winner all prizes will be awarded all of the inheritance blessings will be assigned They are not going away. They are incorruptible. They're undefiled.

They are fading not away They're reserved in heaven for a certain Category of people how many times have we seen God deal with things in categories? This is the great Misunderstanding of Calvinists. Oh, we are Individually elected we are individually foreknown and forechosen and for loved by God. No We are collectively foreknown.

We are collectively elect. We are collectively chosen in him before the foundation of the world God said my son is the most important creature in the universe and beyond and Whosoever believeth in him is elect Whosoever believeth in him is part of his bride Whosoever believeth in him as part of his body Whosoever believeth in him is transferred out of the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of the Son of my love and I am going to reserve the following blessings for that group and Those within that group who by faith and patience qualify to inherit will inherit all prizes will be awarded We just have to decide whether or not we're going to check and see If we want to be one of those people the great thing is It's not random. It's not chance.

It's choice We can choose to inherit we choose faith we choose patience we choose endurance We choose to avail ourselves of God's grace and God's mercy. We choose to claim the things

that God has graciously given us in Christ and Everyone that does that is a winner everyone who does that is an inheritor Because the inheritance of God Reserved in heaven is limitless. There's not just one car.

There's not just first second and third prize all Those remember the crowns Paul talks about the crown of life the crown of joy crown of righteousness Reserved for all those who love his appearing all those who love his appearing if you are anticipating with active eager hope The return of the Lord Jesus Christ you are going to get a crown if you are sighing and crying over the state of disrepair in the Body of Christ and in the country in which we live and so on you remember how the marking angel went around and found those Who cared enough to grieve over spiritual malaise? There is a reward there is preservation there is special treatment Everyone all those it's not limited. It's not oh just a few and I wasn't one of the lucky if you choose it You get it if you by faith pursue it it comes My son If that will receive my words hide my commandments with thee so that Don't climb thine ear lift up thy voice seek it is silver search for it as for hid treasures what? Then shalt thou Understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God the Lord giveth wisdom Out of his mouth comes knowledge and understanding when it comes out of his mouth guess what anybody with an ear here gets it Anyone paying attention gets it he that hath an ear to hear let him hear It's not I've only selected five to have an ear the rest of you Just look on in awe and wonder and be grateful that I allowed you the privilege of watching me dispense these blessings nothing like that He that has an ear to hear Anyone who lifts up his voice and applies his heart seeks and searches ask and it shall be given. It's this is the most wonderful Inheritance Imaginable because it is immediately available to you now It is available to me now What is the condition? This is great? This is wonderful news Let's find out how we can be sure we are among those who lay claim to this incorruptible undefiled unfading inheritance God is watching over it God is preserving it God is guarding it and Looking for those to whom he can deliver it We want to be in that number, how do we do that? It's it's in the next verse reserved kept guarded watched over Protected in heaven for you who are Right away.

It's going to be a subset I'm talking to you But I'm only talking to you who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation Ready to be revealed in the last time, you know the way this is traditionally understood all Believers are kept by the power of God for salvation because we're all believers are saved right? That's a nice shallow Let's get on with it understanding of the verse doesn't say that at all This is not salvation from the lake of fire and I'll prove it to you. We're gonna do a little Greek here you and this is You all who are kept You might think well, this would be another instance of Torea and it is a similar related but different word. This is fru reo fru reo phro you are e o fru reo and it is related to Foo lasso p h u l a s s o and Fulakas and it's a it's a doubling word And if you look it up in the lexicon, it says literally it means to guard a guarding It's it's a redundancy.

Remember dying thou shalt surely die Dying thou shalt die the doubling in Hebrew. Well, this is this is sort of the Greek equivalent in one word when you have fru reo It's you're guarding The

guarding it's a it's guarding squared you are on your guard against something or You're guarding against remember Tereo you're watching over a thing your eye is on the thing You're preserving it watching over it making sure nothing happens to it. It's used of soldiers guarding prisoners I'm watching you.

I'm making sure you don't get away. You're not worried about somebody coming and attacking the prisoner and Beating in the head with a bat or lynching them or something You want to make sure the prisoner doesn't get away. So the focus in Tereo is is on the object of guarding the object in fru reo is Protecting that thing you're guarding from an outside threat So you're watching it, but you're looking to see where the threats are is anything coming to harm what I'm guarding I'm looking outside.

I'm not saying I don't want this thing to get away I'm saying I don't want something from the outside to get in here and hurt it take it grab it Otherwise change its status. Does that make sense Tereo? It's kind of difference between Two different objects the object of Tereo is the thing being guarded generally and this is an emphasis You could probably find exceptions But generally speaking Tereo focuses on the thing being guarded fru reo is Looking at what might be on the outside that would threaten the thing you are trying to preserve and guard so these who are Preserved who are who are protected who are Not so much watched over in terms of I'm looking at you as who are Fenced in who are walled in protected is probably as good a word as any Reserved in heaven for you who are being protected Dia pisteos Pistis is the word for faith Dia pistis dia means through diameter. What's the meter that goes through the center of the circle? through guarded watched In the sense of I've no harm is going to come to you through faith Now are all believers in the Lord Jesus Christ in this age through reode through faith No Listen to me most believers are not protected through faith.

Why? Because to have faith You have to be actively engaged in your spiritual life You have to be learning the Word of God and that is the object of your faith promises from God principles taught by God doctrines related to God and his plan and his son and his purpose in the present and in the future and the Outworking of all of those things in the past to have faith. It has to be in something If somebody says well, you know, everything's kind of taking a downturn Circumstances are bad. The economy's bad politics are bad Everything's but but have faith Have faith in what have faith in who just got elected have faith in The resilience of the American people have faith in capitalist form of government You got to have faith in something just have faith in the abstract doesn't mean anything You for that you just say well, you know be cheerful be You know be an optimist have high hopes just sing the little high hope song to yourself.

I hope we've got high sky high Pie in the sky hopes, whatever That's just an abstract. Well, you know every cloud has a silver lining That's that's a pointless every cloud has a silver lining Says who who designed clouds? I've seen lots of clouds. I had no silver lining whatsoever.

It's it's just a it's a platitude It's it's a meaningless Mindless emptiness Faith has to be in

something those who are guarded who are protected through faith well right there you've eliminated vast swaths of Living Christians Many living Christians today and in every previous generation are not guarded through faith Because this is not your faith in Jesus Christ This is living faith. This is ongoing faith. This is a present passive participle being Guarded being protected through faith Not who were once for all regenerated by faith.

Not those who once for all were saved by faith Being protected through faith if if you're being protected through faith, and it doesn't say being protected by God You could say well, you know the saved God is going to watch over them They have angels in heaven and guardians and so on and so it must but you wouldn't have a present participle Being guarded and you wouldn't have through faith This is living faith. This is daily faith. This is the practice of faith so that wonderful inheritance up there is reserved and being kept in Custody watched over in heaven For those who are on earth also being protected through faith It's kind of there's a protected inheritance for a protected bunch of faithful people Those who are being protected through faith ace Soteria Hatoimas ace unto with a view toward Soteria salvation Hatoi Main here, which is Hatoimas in the vocabulary form if you read it in your English it says Through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time now when you say When you use the word ready, how do we typically use it? I am ready to go if we follow it with an infinitive.

I'm ready to die. I am ready to eat I'm ready to sleep. I'm ready to do a thing.

What do we mean? We're the the emphasis is on the infinitive, right? We say I'm ready to Implement this verbal idea, whatever it may be But that's not the way this sentence is constructed Hatoimas here means prepared and it is a an accusative feminine singular Just like Soteria is an accusative feminine singular Hatoimas here is an adjective Modifying salvation. It is an adjective modifying Soteria. It is preserved in heaven for those who are being protected through faith with a view toward a prepared deliverance Did you catch that? being guarded Through faith being protected through faith looking at a prepared deliverance Just like the inheritance that's already been prepared.

It's already been set in heaven and is being watched over this Deliverance this Soteria is a prepared it's thought-out. It's already been Designed it's already made ready. It's not the revelation that is ready You know that well, the deliverance is ready to be revealed.

No, it's a ready. It's a prepared salvation. It's a prepared deliverance It's not a last-minute yank by the hair.

It's not a snatch and grab thing It's not a Lucky break that you happen to be there to keep you from falling into the street and getting hit by the bus That would be a an ad-hoc deliverance. That would be a Unplanned deliverance. I just happen to be in the right place at the right time.

This deliverance has been Thought out well in advance. It has been planned. It has been built.

It has been made ready It is prepared God's already thought it all through and this prepared deliverance Will be revealed in the last time So when we read it in English, we kind of put our modern American spin on it and say well It's it's ready to be viewed. My assignment is ready to be turned in But the emphasis here is that the assignment is prepared. It's a prepared assignment to be turned in Rather than my assignment is ready to be turned is that's like Well, the whole idea is the the turning in or the revelation No, the the emphasis is this is is a deliverance already Prepared and I could take you to passages just like when Jesus says I go to prepare a place for you He doesn't say I'm ready to go Says I go to prepare The upper room meal you remember when they go through the whole thing with the man and the water pot and follow him and say the Lord hath need of this and And they get there and they find the place is already prepared the upper room was was made ready before they ever got there and It's this very same word.

So this prepared salvation is Apocalyptic it's the Greek name for the last book of the Bible the Apocalypse to be revealed in Kairos eschatas and the Kairos eschatas is Kairos is different than Kronos, you know, we have a chronometer that tells us the specific time Kairos is the word that is for a season or a an era or a larger Unspecified block of time it can be a moment. It can be you know, the day of the Lord might be the Kairos It's it's it is unspecific in terms of duration Where a Kronos is is more like an appointment. It's like a okay.

The clock has hit 12 Here goes the cuckoo. Here goes the alarm here goes the changeover next Saturday We'll be switching back to standard time and it happens at you know, 2 a.m. Or whatever That's Kronos. This is Kairos.

So an eschatas means the the last one of It just means last the the final in the final season We have seasons in our life. We have early parts. We have middle parts.

We have the last part and this prepared deliverance is To be revealed in the final season it is not a deliverance that is revealed now Why would Peter even say this look at these people? Who's he writing to there then the dispersion their pilgrims? they're out and about they're not in the land and He says, you know, there is an inheritance for you It's reserved in heaven. It's guarded over in heaven and it is for those who are protected through faith and The deliverance that is coming will be revealed this prepared deliverance. Your deliverance is set You know how they do in the movies with these underground guys and they're going to be under the bridge at midnight And they've got a boat and they're going to take you across the border to Switzerland and you're gonna escape the Nazis They got this it's all Synchronized it's all laid out ahead of time.

It's been prepared All you've got to do is you show up and they'll take it from there. Well, this is the this is the deliverance It's prepared But it will be revealed in the last time that deliverance is not going to be revealed now Right now something else is in the works Your deliverance is set your deliverance is secure. Your deliverance is all planned out and ready But it will be brought to light in The final time this is not the final time.

This is an earlier time where God is going to do something besides Reveal this prepared salvation, but it's there. It's reserved. It's kept you it's it's certain It is certain and it is certainly yours if you Protect yourself through faith if you claim God's protection through faith, it's going to happen Well, let's pause here and take our break because when we get to the next statement here in Verse 6 we'll see why Peter is putting such emphasis