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## 1 Peter 1.13 – Where To Set Your Hope

### Small Group Questions

Pray for God's help as you turn to look at His word, to understand and respond rightly to what you'll see.

Read 1 Peter 1:1-13 and then discuss these questions together.

1. What things are you looking forward to at the moment?
2. What's the difference between 'looking forward' to something or even 'hoping' in something and 'setting your hope' on something?
3. What was the situation of the Christians Peter wrote his first letter to (1:1, 6)? As they 'unsealed the envelope' of Peter's letter, describe how they might have felt and their state of mind?
4. This letter isn't high-brow theology, it's the heartfelt message of a pastor to real people struggling with the sad realities of life and of following Jesus. Imagine Peter with an arm around a struggling brother or sister, speaking v13 to them. Read it again. Explain what he's saying in that verse and why it's a good pastoral word to hear and follow.
5. What does the phrase "with minds that are alert and fully sober" add?
6. To what extent are you thinking about and hoping in the day "when Jesus Christ is revealed"? How would it affect a person individually or a whole church collectively if we were really doing this, day-by-day?
7. How can we help each other to do so?
8. Notice how this hope has become possible (1:3). Thank the Lord for this hope and ask for his help to daily set your hope on it.

**Respond to God's word in prayer**

**Take some time to pray for each other**

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*Our desire for small groups is that they would help us be a "people who are in the process of having their lives turned inside out and upside down by the progressive work of transforming grace."*

*(Taken from Lead by Paul Tripp, p42)*