

I want a Do Over (1 Peter 1:3)

Our Merciful God (v. 3)

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has caused us to be born again [What has God done?]
according to His great mercy [How had God done this?]
to a living hope [what it means to be born again]
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, [how all this
happens]*

God's Gift to Us (v. 4)

*to obtain an inheritance [result of being born again]
which is imperishable, [descriptions of our inheritance]
undefiled,
and will not fade away,
reserved in heaven for you,*

Our Guarantee (v. 5)

*who are guarded [a benefit of being born again]
by the power of God [how we are guarded]
through faith
for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. [for what we are
guarded]*

Joy in Trials (v. 6)

*In this you greatly rejoice, [our response to God's mercy even in suffering]
even though now for a little while, [our suffering is temporary]
if necessary, [we can't always escape trials]
you have been distressed by various trials, [what we face in this age]*

The Value of Faith (v. 7)

*so that the proof of your faith, [this is the key to victorious living]
being more precious than gold which perishes though tested by fire, [the
value of faith]
may be found to result in praise, glory, and honor [what faith brings]
at the revelation of Jesus Christ; [faith keeps us strong to the end]*

What Our Faith Means (vv. 8-9)

*and though you have not seen Him, [an obstacle]
you love Him, [our expression of faith]
and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, [an obstacle]
you greatly rejoice [our expression of faith]
with joy inexpressible and full of glory, [the result of faith]
obtaining as the outcome of your faith, [God's promise to us]
the salvation of your souls. [the goal of our faith]*

**What has God said to you through the message this morning?
Share it with someone before the end of the day.**