

## Pastoral Notes

'Shielded' 1Peter 1:3-7.

The bible depicts a God who creates, chastises, loves and protects. A powerful, majestic God who places a "hedge" of protection around those who accept and belief in Jesus as the Son of God and Savior of the world. This supernatural force-field **shields** us from the fiery darts of Satan, the enemy of our souls. Know that the stronger your faith, the stronger your shield.

As **children of God**, we should **rejoice** in knowing **we are not only shielded in**

through a dark period in life. It reminds us that even when you can't see your way out, God will show you a way out.

**While you are waiting for the light to show up, you need to Praise God because praise belongs to God.** His name, grace and mercy are worthy of all our praise. **It is in the midst of a storm when the real 'storm praisers come out.**

We can praise God when we have storms on our job, in our homes and in our lives. In the midst of a hurricane

### Key Sermonic Points

1. God's shield is activated by your faith
2. God's shield gives you relief from your grief
3. Great tribulation produces great faith

**life but also in death.** Saints who go to be with the Lord, though they die, they are not dead. They are in a state of spiritual sleep from which they will arise with Christ returns for his second coming. This principle is fundamental to our Christian faith. It is the hope and assurance we have that allows us to maintain our faith in a God we have yet to see but whom we have experienced.

Our hope in a resurrected Jesus is paramount to our faith. "Hope is being able to see there is light, despite all the darkness" (Desmond Tutu). That's shouting material for someone who is going

like Harvey, we can praise God through hell and high water.

Jesus is our living hope, our savior. Because of him, we are shielded.

**Though trials and tribulations come, your Soul is protected for God is guarding your inheritance in heaven. To inherit, one must be an heir. Be sure you are an heir and not just a fan.** When you are

going through, don't sweat, just shout and watch God begin to move in your life

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## Nuggets:

- If we cannot trust in the keeping power of the Lord, we are a people without hope.
- In the midst of trials, if you can just 'wait it out' Jesus will surely "work it out".
- Because our Lord is alive you must have a living hope and faith
- The Devil's accusation cannot alter your destination.
- What you deal with on earth is temporal and temporary but your inheritance is forever.
- Medication deals with your symptoms but God deals with your source
- You are paternally, internally, externally, and eternally shielded.