1 Peter:

A Last Word about Hope

Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. ¹⁸ For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. ²⁰ He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. ²¹ Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. ²³ For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. ²⁴ For, "All people are like grass.

 and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall,
²⁵ but the word of the Lord endures forever." And this is the word that was preached to you.

1 Peter 1:22-25 (NIV)

Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming. 1 Peter 1:13 (NIV)

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BIG IDEA = The Power to love comes through _____ in God.

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. ⁸ Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. ⁹ Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. ¹⁰ Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers. Galatians 6:7-10 (NIV)

• Making the decision to love difficult people will result in an eventual

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He was chosen before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the times for you 1 Peter 1:20 (HCSB)

God's actions on my behalf give _____ to me and the _____ in my life.

Be in agreement with one another. Do not be proud; instead, associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own estimation. Romans 12:16 (HCSB)

- This love starts with being _____.
- To love this way will require us to be _____.
- This hope is ______ because it is based on the ______ word of God.