

Encouragement for Exiles

1 Peter 1:3-9

- I. The Merciful Father's Involvement in Our Regeneration
 - A. The Present Result of our Regeneration
 - B. The Future Reality of our Regeneration
 - 1. Imperishable
 - 2. undefiled
 - 3. Unfading
 - C. The Past Reason for our Regeneration

- II. The Father's Powerful and Protective Care
 - A. He Protects our Inheritance
 - B. He Preserves us as Heirs

- III. The Surpassing Joy of Our Relationship With Christ – Rejoice!
 - A. Faith as the Means of our Present Relationship with Christ
 - 1. Its Value – More precious than gold
 - 2. Its Continuance – It will remain
 - 3. Its Full Revelation – Full disclosure at the return of Christ
 - 4. Its Reward – Praise, glory and honor - our Salvation
 - B. Trials as the Means of Testing our Faith
 - 1. The Heaviness of our Trials
 - 2. The Brevity of our Trials
 - 3. The Purpose of our Trials