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1 PETER 1:3-5

Passage in a Sentence: No matter our circumstances as believers, worship is compelled as we set our eyes on God's triumph in Christ rather than our trials.

- I. NO MATTER OUR PREDICAMENT OR PROBLEMS, GOD IS WORTHY OF ALL OF OUR PRAISE. (1:3)**

- II. OUR PRAISE IS FUELED BY HIS PROVISION. (1:3-5)**
 - a. We praise God for His mercy. (1:3)**
 - i. God's actions and affections toward us are according to His mercy and not our merit.

 - b. We praise God for causing us to be born again. (1:3)**
 - i. God causes us to have life that can never die.
 - ii. Without regeneration, we cannot see or participate in the kingdom of heaven.
(John 3:3)
 - iii. God alone grants us eternal life through the resurrection of Christ and through His living and abiding Word.

 - c. We praise God for raising Jesus from the dead. (1:3)**

 - d. We praise God for giving us a living hope. (1:3)**
 - i. Living hope means that we can be certain our problems will never overcome God's promises to us.
 - ii. Nielson: Our living hope isn't some abstract feeling; our living hope is Jesus himself.

 - e. We praise God for providing and protecting an inheritance for us. (1:4)**

 - f. We praise God for protecting us by His power and fueling our perseverance in the faith. (1:5)**