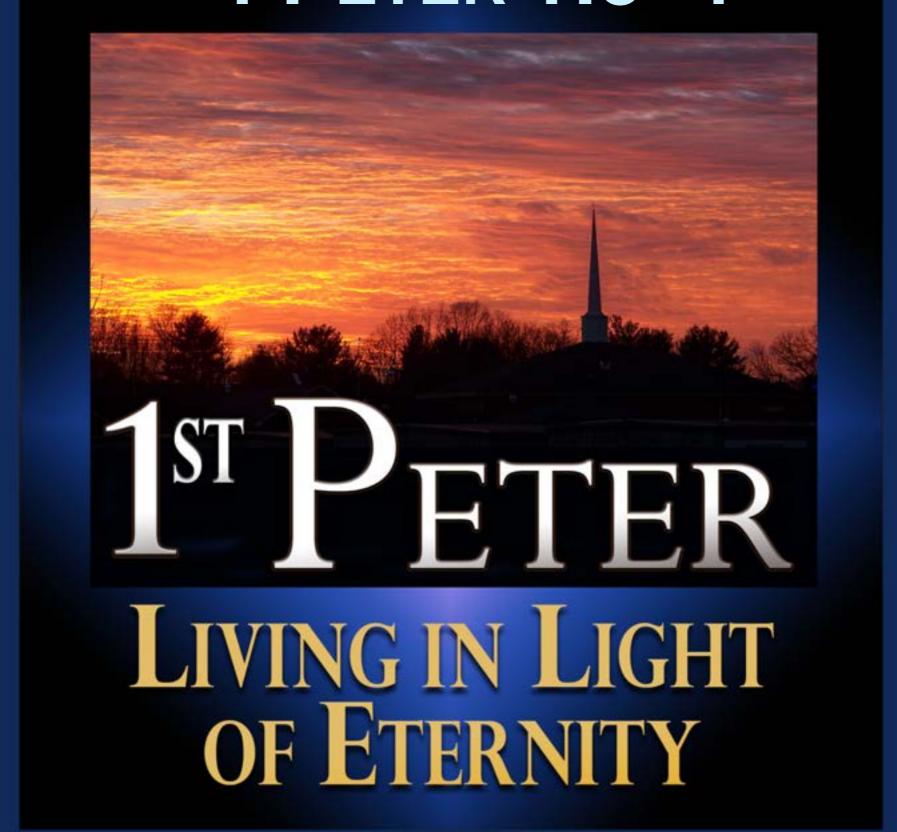
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#### HOPE AND INHERITANCE

1 PETER 1:3-4



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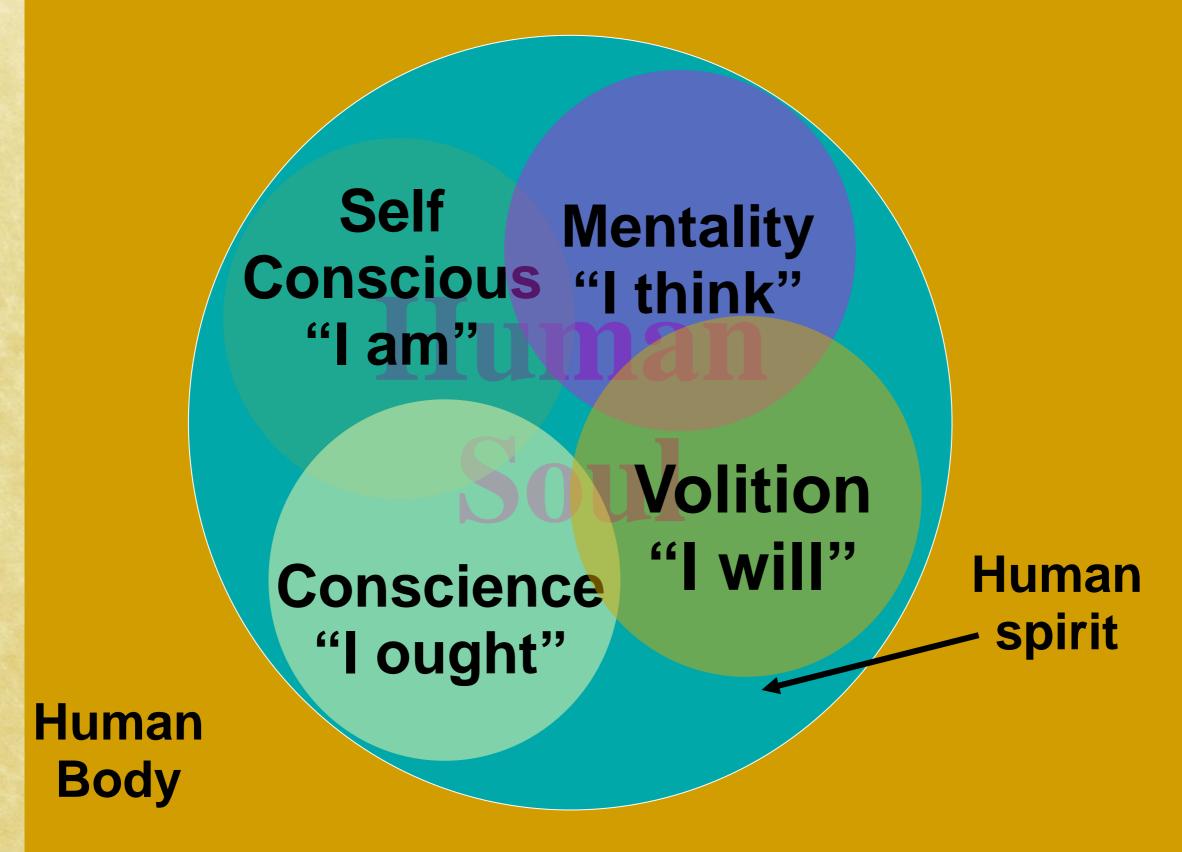
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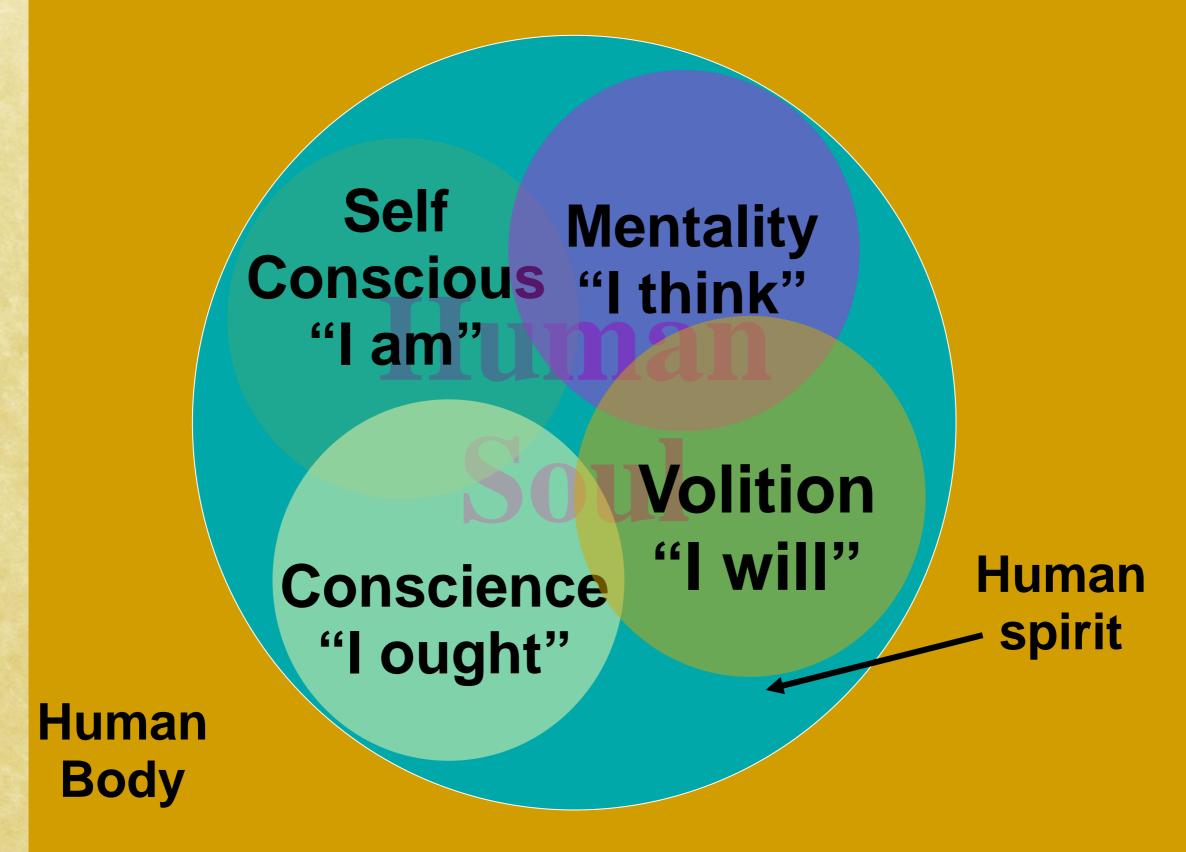
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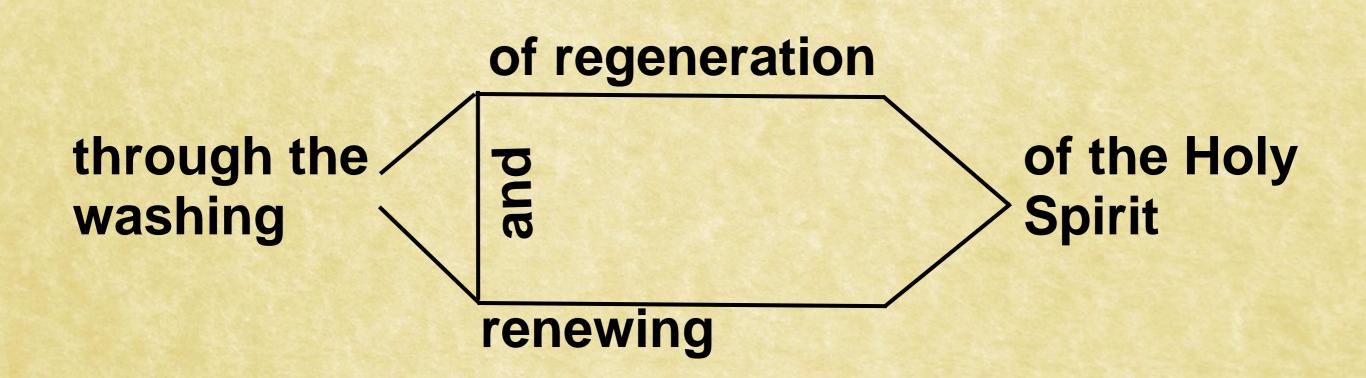
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Rom. 6:4, "Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."

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#### 1. Hope defined:

BDAG: the looking forward to something with some reason for confidence respecting fulfillment, hope, expectation:

Abbott-Smith: expectation, a positive expectation

Col. 1:5, "because of the <u>hope</u> which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel,"

Titus 1:2, "in hope of eternal life which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began,"

Titus 2:13, "looking for the <u>Blessed Hope</u> and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,"

1 Pet. 1:21, "who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God."

1 Pet. 3:15, "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;"

2. Hope then, for the believer, is a confidence about the future with the Lord that comes back to encourage, strengthen, stabilize, motivate the believer to hang tough in the worst of the worst of times.

Hope is an objective optimism that is not to be shaken by present time circumstances.

3. The unbeliever can manufacture something about the future, but it is not certain, and fails to provide genuine stability.

4. The believer's hope is transformational and evident.

1 Pet. 3:15, "but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;"

5. Our confident expectation is related to our understanding of our new life in Christ.

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6. For the believer this is also grounded in the present indwelling of Christ.

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