



Today's Scripture Reading

(1 PETER 1:3-7, 13)

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

————— 1 PETER 1:3-7, 13 —————

⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

¹³ Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

————— 1 PETER 1:3-7, 13 —————



HOPE OF HEAVEN

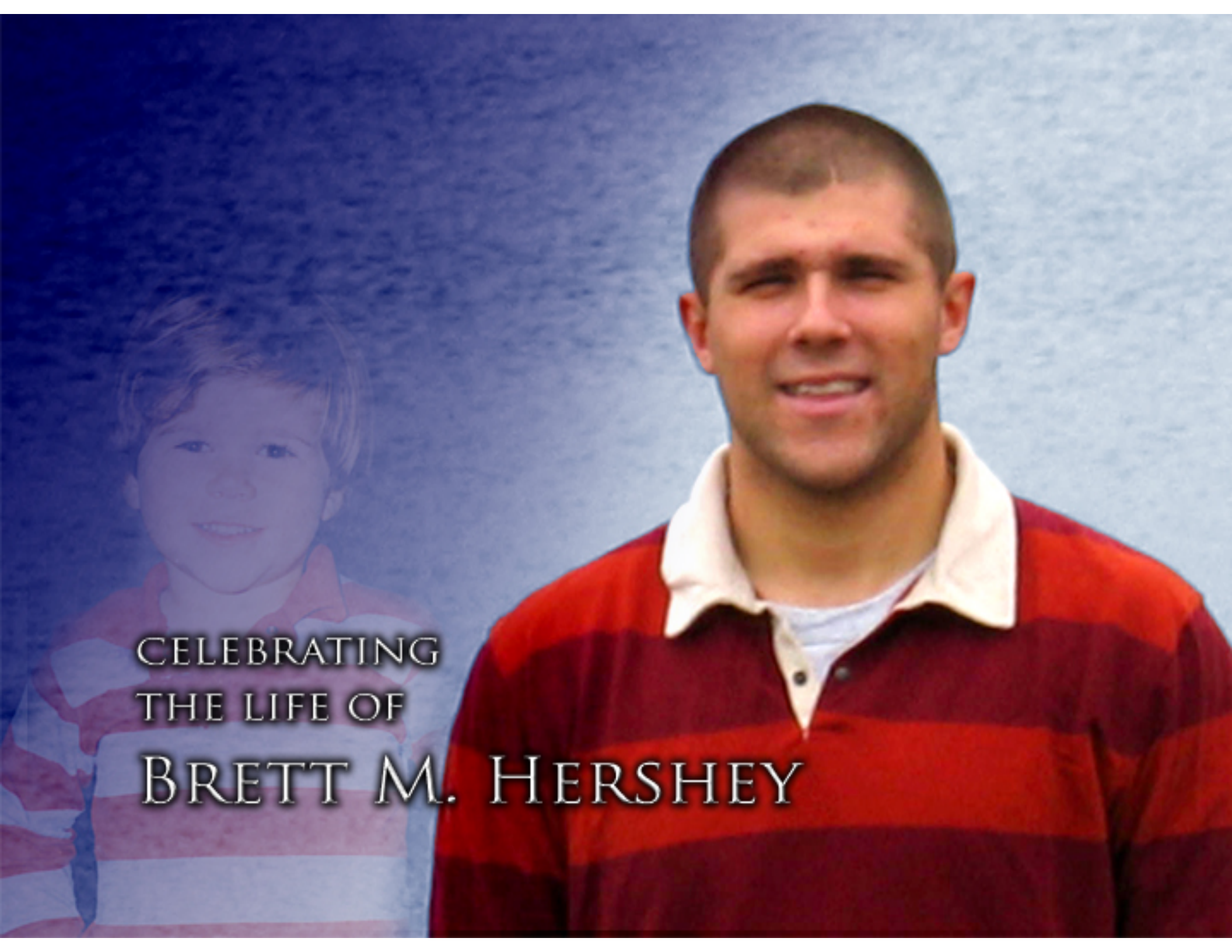


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1 PETER 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a **living hope** through the **resurrection** of Jesus Christ from the dead,

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1 PETER 1:4-5

⁴ to an **inheritance** that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

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⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for **a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.**

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SALVATION REVEALED IN THE LAST TIME

- have been saved from
 - are being saved from
 - will be saved from
- **penalty** of sin
 - **power** of sin
 - **presence** of sin

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1 PETER 1:4-5

⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, **kept in heaven** for you,

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RESERVED IN HEAVEN FOR YOU

Revelation 21 & 22

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REVELATION 21:1-3

Then I saw **a new heaven** and **a new earth**, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away...

² And I saw **the holy city, new Jerusalem**, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, *"Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people and God himself will be with them as their God*

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1 PETER 1:4-5

⁴ to an inheritance that is **imperishable, undefiled,** and **unfading,** kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

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IMPERISHABLE - EVERYTHING **DIES**

⁴ He will wipe away every **tear** from their eyes, and **death** shall be no more, neither shall there be **mourning, nor crying, nor pain** anymore, for the former things have passed away.

Behold, I am making all things **new!**

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UNDEFINED - EVERYTHING IS **CORRUPTED**

- Philippians 3:21 - glorified bodies
- 1 John 3:2 - new character
- Romans 8 - creation restored

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UNFADING - EVERYTHING IS **TEMPORARY**

2 Corinthians 4:17 - an eternal weight of glory

Isaiah 2, 9, and 11 - kingdom of justice,
righteousness, and peace
forevermore

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1 PETER 1:6

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1 PETER 1:7

so that the **tested genuineness** of your faith

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may be found to result in **praise and glory and honor** at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

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GENUINE FAITH RESULTS IN:

- Glory - Colossians 3:4
- Honor - Revelation 22:12
- Praise - 1 Corinthians 4:5

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1 CORINTHIANS 4:5

Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one **will receive his commendation from God.**

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JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST

1 CORINTHIANS 5:9-10: So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

1 CORINTHIANS 3:10-15

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MATTHEW 25:14-30

“well done good and faithful servant ...”

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1 PETER 1:13

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