

## I Peter 1:21

### *Faith And Hope In The Father Through Christ Our Lord*

I. Introduction: Is our faith and hope to be in Jesus, the Father, both? Are they really separable?

A. In a context speaking about Jesus (**Colossians 1:12-13**), we read that Jesus is to have the preeminence [to be first] in all (**Colossians 1:18**).

1. All things were delivered into the hands of Jesus (**Matthew 28:18, John 3:35, and Acts 10:36**).

2. However, this was/is not the plan for all eternity (**I Corinthians 15:24-28**).

B. Jesus desires faith to be in Him as was/is in the Father (**John 14:1**).

1. Mutual honor (**John 5:23**) because rejecting Jesus means you're rejecting the Father too (**Matthew 10:40 and I John 2:22-23**).

2. Yet, belief in Christ is ultimately faith in the Father (**John 12:44**).

3. As we approach our study, remember that Jesus is not seeking self-promotion as men of this world often do (**John 5:19, John 5:30, John 7:16-18, John 8:28-29, John 8:48-50**, etc.).

II. Body: *"Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God"* (**I Peter 1:21**).

A. Faith in God the Father through Christ (**John 5:24 and Hebrews 7:19-25**).

1. The Father made promises (**Isaiah 45:17-25 and Jeremiah 23:5-6**).

2. Through whom were those promises kept (**Matthew 1:21 and I John 5:12-13**)?

3. So, when you believe that Jesus is who He is you also are believing in the Father who sent Jesus and kept His promises by Him (**Romans 11:25-36**).

4. Being the children of the Father by faith in Christ Jesus our Lord (**Galatians 3:26-29**).

B. God the Father raised up Jesus (**Acts 2:22-24; 2:32; 3:13-15; 10:38-40, 13:26-30, I Corinthians 6:14, Galatians 1:1, Colossians 2:12, I Peter 3:18, etc.**)

1. Believing that the Father raised up Jesus is faith that God who raised Jesus will also raise us in the end (**II Corinthians 4:13-14**).

2. We cannot separate the Father or the Son from what we are looking forward to in the resurrection to come (**I Thessalonians 5:9-10**).

C. The Father gave Jesus glory (**Ephesians 1:19-23**).

1. It is a mutual glorification (**John 13:31-32 and Philippians 2:9-11**).

2. As Jesus desired (**John 17:1**).

3. We must understand in all of this that there still are separate roles of authority (**I Corinthians 11:3 and Ephesians 4:6**).

D. The goal of the work done was/is for all to have faith and hope in God (**Romans 5:1-2**).

1. Which we have through the Gospel (**Colossians 1:23**).
2. Just consider how we have assurance [faith] because God kept His promises and raised Jesus from the dead (**Acts 17:31**).
3. That assurance; confidence keeps us going forward (**Hebrews 6:10-12**).
4. Keep in mind that it is the Father who sent the Son (**I John 4:8-9; 4:14**).

III. Conclusion: Our next study: *“Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently.”* (**I Peter 1:22**).