

# YOUR HOPE, YOUR FUTURE

## I. UNBELIEVERS DO NOT HAVE REAL HOPE

*"Take it easy, eat, drink and be merry"* - Luke 12:19. Matthew 16:27, 1 Cor. 15:32.  
Most unsaved people are not thinking about their soul and their eternal destiny.

## II. BELIEVERS HAVE GODLY HOPE

- A. Believers receive hope when they are saved, are born again. Romans 5:1-2
- B. God wants believers to grow in hope during their life on earth. Romans 5:3-5
- C. Many believers are lacking in hope, for they are not excited and looking forward to the future God has for them, their life after this life.

## III. WHY DO WE NEED HOPE?

- A. Hope helps us to be pure and holy. 1 John 3:3
- B. Hope is like an anchor for our soul. Hebrews 6:19
- C. Hope helps us to grieve in a godly way. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14
- D. Hope helps us to endure, to persevere, to be steadfast. 1 Thessalonians 1:3
- E. Hope is a helmet of salvation, for it helps us to think rightly. Ephesians 6:17
- F. Hope helps us to focus on Jesus Christ. 1 Timothy 1:1 - *"Christ Jesus is our hope."*

## IV. HOW DO WE GET HOPE?

- A. You receive hope when you are saved. Romans 5:1-2, 1 Peter 1:3-4
- B. Know what God says in His word about hope. Romans 15:4
- C. Believe what God says in His Word about hope. Hebrews 11:1
- D. Endurance gives you more hope. Romans 15:4
- E. Ask God to increase your hope. Ephesians 1:18

## V. WHAT IS THIS HOPE?

- A. You will be with Jesus.** This is the most important aspect of your hope, that you will be with your Savior, Lord, King and Friend. John 14:1-2, 17:24; 1 Thessalonians 4:17
- B. You will be with all the believers** from the past, the present and the future. This includes your loved ones who are believers. 1 Thessalonians 2:17-21, 4:13-14
- C. You will be in heaven,** which is a perfect place, with no sin. You will be with God, Jesus Christ, the angels and the believers. Matthew 6:9, Psalm 23:6, Hebrews 12:22-24

**D. You will be in a new home.** God is preparing a dwelling place for you, one that is beautiful, spotless and perfectly suited for you. John 14:1-3, Luke 16:9, Rev. 21:10-11

**E. You will have no more sinful thoughts, words or actions.** You will have no more problems, tiredness, aches, sickness or conflicts. Your life will be perfect. Romans 8:30

**F. You will have a brand new body.** It will be imperishable, glorious, powerful and spiritual. It will be perfect, always healthy, and full of life, love, joy and energy. 1 Corinthians 15:42-44, 2 Corinthians 5:1-9, Philippians 3:21, 1 John 3:2

**G. You will receive an inheritance.** As co-heirs with Jesus Christ, we will inherit the entire world. 1 Peter 1:3-4; Romans 8:17; Matthew 5:5; Psalm 37:9, 11, 18, 22, 27, 29

**H. You will be rewarded for your labor.** *“Each one will receive his own reward according to his own labor.”* 1 Corinthians 3:8, Matthew 5:12, Revelation 22:12

**I. You will see Christ reigning over the world.** It will be most glorious to see the devil dethroned, and Jesus Christ ruling the world. Psalm 2:4-11, 47, 67, 72; Matthew 6:9-10

**J. You will reign over the world with Jesus Christ,** for He will give you different responsibilities. *“I will put you in charge of many things.”* Matthew 25:21

**K. You will experience fullness of joy & pleasures forever.** Psalm 16:11, John 10:10

**L. You will be perfectly worshiping God.** This will be a wonderful, God-glorifying and soul-exhilarating experience. Psalm 84:4, 145:1-2, 150; Revelation 5:13

HOW BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO DWELL IN YOUR HOUSE!  
THEY ARE EVER PRAISING YOU!

Psalm 84:4

SOME QUESTIONS TO ANSWER:

1. What is the main thing that you believe God wants you to learn from this lesson?
2. How do you define hope?
3. Why is hope so important?
4. How do you get hope?
5. What aspects of your hope stand out to you, are most encouraging to you?
6. What do you think it will be like to finally be fully saved, and have a glorified body?
7. Why is praising God the most important aspect of our future?