

The Life of Hope

In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, One God. Amen.

Aim

- ✚ There is nothing impossible in the life with God. There is hope whatever the sin and the troubles may be and however difficult the case is.

Key verses

- "... all things are possible to him who believes." (Mark 9:23).
- "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (Phil. 4:13).

Lesson

There are many different meanings for the word hope. As a noun, hope can mean the following

- ✚ expect
- ✚ trust
- ✚ anticipate
- ✚ wish
- ✚ look forward to
- ✚ expectation
- ✚ anticipation

The Bible is loaded with examples of the word hope..

- ✚ Let Your mercy, O LORD, be upon us, Just as we **hope** in You.(*Psalms 33:22*)
- ✚ For You are my **hope**, O Lord GOD; [You are] my trust from my youth.(*Psalms 71:5*)
- ✚ Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ, by the commandment of God our Savior and the Lord Jesus Christ, our **hope**.(*1 Timothy 1:1*)
- ✚ And everyone who has this **hope** in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.(*1John3:3*)
- ✚ 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.(*1Peter1:21*)

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It is imperative for Christians to have hope. The spiritual person is known for the virtue of hope. He always has hope as it grants him strength and joy:

- With regard to repentance and purity, he always has hope that God will pick him up however great his fall may be and will set him up.

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- He has hope that God will work with him in every act. He believes in God, in His goodness and protection, in His love and promises. This faith fills his heart with hope in God's response. He is full of confidence that his request has entered into the presence of God and that God will do what is good.
- In every problem he faces, he has hoped that God will save him no matter how hard it is or how far God delayed or seemed delaying. This person has hoped that God will come. Therefore, he never loses hope.
- With this hope in him, he does not despair, does not know failure and does not accept the **word impossible**. With God there is hope.
- This hope gives strength that springs from God, as the Lord says: "**But those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary. They shall walk and shall not faint.**" (Is 40:31).

✠ Jonah the Prophet had hope, even when he was in the belly of the big fish.

✠ Hope in God gives joy, "[Rejoicing in hope](#)" (Rom. 12:12).

✠ Hope is an incentive for work, for hope does not mean idleness, relying on God! No, but it is rejoicing in the work of God and this urges one to work with God, with full enthusiasm...

✠ When everything was hopeless, our father Abraham believed anyway, deciding to live not on the basis of what he saw, but on what God said He would do. And so he was made father of a multitude of people. God himself said to him, "**You're going to have a big family, Abraham!**" Abraham believed even when there seemed to be nothing to believe in because he had hope in God's promise and in God Himself. So too, we need to have this same hope when times seem hopeless. God will not leave us. He is always with us. And when it seems you just can't believe, that is when God carries you because you do not have the strength to go any further on your own. You got through because of your hope in God.

Another reason we as [God's children](#) need to have the hope so we can offer this same hope to those who have none and to those who do not yet know the Lord. If we do not have hope as Christians, what do we have to offer those who have nothing to hold on to?

I place my hope in the One True God, the God of Abraham and the God who died for my sins and rose again, who will return one day in glory to take me home to be with Him. There is no greater hope. Where does your hope lie?

Conclusion

- ✠ If you do not have the ability, God certainly has: Even if you are not seeking Him, He seeks you as He sought the prodigal son and the lost coin. He stands and knocks at your door to open for Him. How great is this hope that God is seeking you and He does not wish the sinner to perish but to repent and live.

Glory is to God, forever. Amen.