EAGLE ST - MARCH 2.

TODAY "LIVING IN CERTAIN HOPE."

MEXT WEEK "ENJOYING GOD'S PERFECT PEACE."

THE MEANING OF HOPE IN SCRIPTURE:

- 1. IT IS A SURE HOPE.
- 2. IT IS A LIVING HOPE.
- 3. IT IS LIFE TRANSFORMING.
- 4. IT HAS A WONDERFUL OUTCOME.

1. BIBLICAL HOPE IS A SURE HOPE.

PSALM 62:5-6.

"Yes, my soul, find rest in God; MY HOPE COMES FROM HIM.

Truly He is my rock and my salvation; He is my fortress; I will not be shaken."

Psalm 16:9. "Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my body also rests securely."

HEBREWS 11:1."Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and being certain of what we do not see."

2) OUR HOPE IS A LIVING HOPE.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of his great mercy He has given us new birth into A LIVING HOPE THROUGH THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST FROM THE DEAD."

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17. "If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone, the new is here!"

ROMANS 6:22. "But now that you have been set free from sin and have become servants of God, so the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal

2 CORINTHIANS 4:16-18.

"Even though our outer person is being destroyed, our inner person is being renewed day by day. For our momentary light affliction is producing for us an absolutely incomparable eternal weight of glory......⁷⁷

"So, we do not focus on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."

A GOOD VERSE TO REMEMBER AS WE AGE!



"Beauty is in the eye of the beholder." How does God see us?

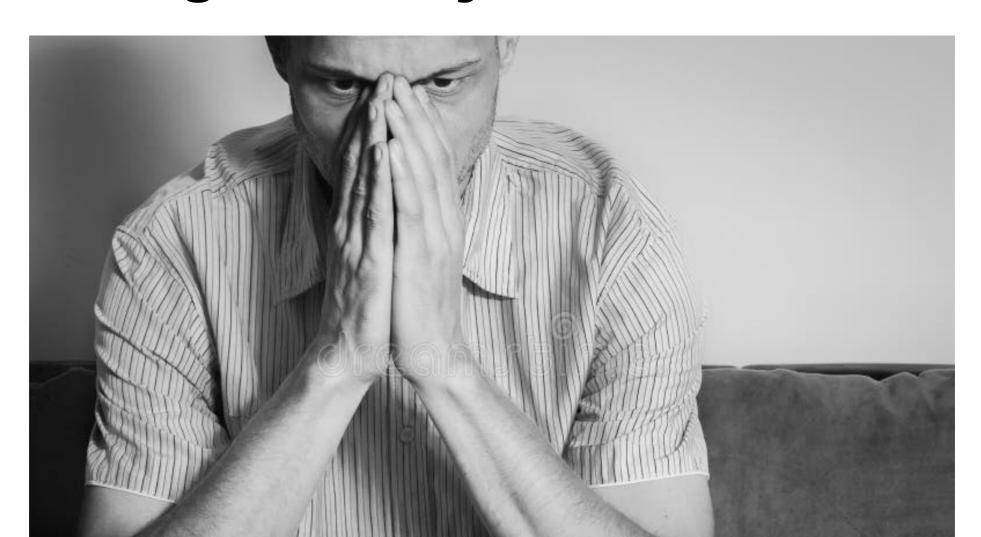




THE FINAL OUTCOME OF OUR LIVING HOPE.

1 PETER 1:4. "An inheritance that imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, KEPT IN HEAVEN FOR YOU."

EPHESIANS. 2:12-13. "Remember you were WITHOUT HOPE". But now you have been brought near by the blood of Christ."



HEBREWS 6:19-20. "We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain. Jesus has entered there on our behalf as a forerunner, because He has become our high priest forever"

3. OUR HOPE IS LIFE TRANSFORMING

ROMANS 15:12-13.

"Isaiah says, "From the Root of Jesse will spring up one who will arise to rule over the nations; in Him the Gentiles will hope.

MAY THE GOD OF HOPE fill you with all joy and peace as you

2 TIMOTHY 1:7. "For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline."

ROMANS 1:16 (NLT). "For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes - the Jew first and also the Gentile."

The HOPE OF THE GOSPEL is offered to all people in all circumstances, irrespective of race, gender, background or history.

IT'S TOTALLY INCLUSIVE.

ROMANS 15:4.

"That through endurance AND THROUGH THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE SCRIPTURES we might have hope."

ROMANS 15:5 says "our God is the God of endurance and the God of encouragement and also (vs 23) "the God of peace." THAT'S WHAT GOD IS LIKE!

REVELATION 21:3-4. "GOD HIMSELF WILL BE WITH THEM AND BE THEIR GOD. God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have

4. OUR HOPE HAS A WONDERFUL OUTCOME.

LAMENTATIONS 3:24. Jeremiah, in the midst of really dreadful circumstances, says "THE LORD IS MY PORTION ... THEREFORE I WILL HOPE IN HIM."

PSALM 73:25, "Whom have I in heaven but you? AND THERE IS NOTHING ON EARTH I DESIRE BUT YOU. My heart and my flesh may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion FOREVER."

JOHN 14:3.

"I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to myself; that where I am, there you may be also."

AGAIN! ROMANS 15:13.

"MAY THE GOD
HOPE FILL YOU WITH ALL JOY
AND PEACE IN BELIEVING,
THAT YOU MAY ABOUND IN
HOPE BY THE POWER OF THE
HOLY SPIRIT."

EPHESIANS 1:13.

"You also, when you heard the word of truth, the Gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him, you were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, WHO IS THE GUARANTEE OF OUR INHERITANCE until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His glory."

1 THESSALONIANS 5:8. "SINCE WE BELONG TO THE DAY, LET US BE SOBER, HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF FAITH AND LOVE, AND FOR A HELMET THE HOPE OF SALVATION."



BECAUSE MY HEAVY SWAYING LUGGAGE AT THE BACK DESTABALIZED ME.



KEY QUESTION.

ARE YOU WEARING THE HELMET OF SALVATION?

HEBREWS 12:1-2.

"LAY ASIDE EVERY WEIGHT, AND THE SIN WHICH SO EASILY ENSNARES US,

and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, LOOKING UNTO JESUS, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

1 John 1:2-3.

"We know that when Christ is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

And everyone who has this hope purifies themselves, just as they are pure."

HEBREWS 3:13. (NLT)

"For if we are faithful to the end, trusting God just as firmly as when we first believed, WE WILL SHARE IN ALL THAT BELONGS TO CHRIST."

Keep your eye on the goal - to be transformed to be like Christ and to live with Him forever.

LEAVE TODAY REJOICING THAT: YOUR HOPE IS A SURE HOPE. YOUR HOPE IS A LIVING HOPE.

YOUR HOPE IS LIFE TRANSFORMING.

"WHEN THE DAY COMES, WE WILL SEE GOD IN THE FULLNESS OF HIS GLORY AND EXPERIENCE OUR SALVATION IN THE FULLNESS OF GOD'S THOUGHTS AND WAYS!"

Hymn.

"My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness."

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