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THE VOICE OF HOPE



Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you. Zech 9:12

MONTH OF DIVINE HOPE AGAINST NATURAL HOPE

PROPHETIC FOCUS

"As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickened the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were. 18 Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations; according to that which was spoken, so shall thy seed be." (ROMANS 4: 18-19)



Pastors Corner

I gladly welcome you afresh into middle of the New Year 2024, which is God's Year for our Divine Healthy Relationships. Amazingly, this new Month of July is our prophetic month of Divine Hope against natural Hope. The focus is about patriarch Abraham our father of faith who demonstrated an unusual courage to believe God for the impossible against all odds. To "hope against hope" is to believe, like Abraham, that something hoped for will come to pass even when there seems to be no chance that it will. Abraham believed that his wife would have a child at one hundred years of age and that this child's descendants would eventually produce the Messiah, Jesus Christ. "Hoping against hope" is comparable to believing in something when others are saying, "You don't have to pray about it anymore" Indeed, in the view of Pelagius "It was against all-natural hope for a hundred-year-old man to believe that his seed would become as numerous as the stars, especially given that his wife had been barren in her youth and was now as feeble as he was." Please let us keep our Hope alive in God, regardless of the challenges we shall overcome for our God is able to make the impossible possible and reverse the irreversible today (Amen)





MONTHLY PROPHETIC PRAYER POWER-POINTS

- 1 I declare today I have a living Hope in God and I will not be moved and downcast (Psalm 42: 5-7)
- Today I proclaim that I have a living Hope of glory and not of shame (Romans 5: 3-5: Colossians 1: 27)
- In the mighty Name of Jesus Christ, I am a true child of God and so I am not hopeless but hopeblessed (Ephesians 2: 12; 1 Peter 1: 4)
- 4 In the name of Jesus Christ, my Hope is alive in God and I refuse to give up or give in, in order to go up in life (Ecclesiastes 9: 4; Psalm 27: 13-14)
- 5 In the name of Jesus Christ, I rejoice in the living Hope of my calling (Ephesians 1: 15-22)
- 6 Today I declare the living Hope is my sure anchor amid the storms of life and I will not be swept off (Hebrews 6: 18-19; Philippians 1: 19-20)
- 7 Today I decare that Jesus Christ is my only living Hope and I refuse every false hope from human beings and from the devil and his allies (1 Timothy 1: 1; Psalm 118: 8-9; Jeremiah 17: 5-13)

Conclusion

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." (ROMANS 15: 13)

2024 WATCHWORD GOD'S YEAR FOR OUR DIVINE HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

"BY THE GRACE OF GOD, I WILL BE SWIFT TO HEAR; AND BE SLOW TO SPEAK AND BE SLOW TO BE ANGRY." (JAMES 1: 19) SHALOM!





Hope In the Scripture

The most frequent expression of hope in the Hebrew Bible may be associated with the verbs "to wait, to expect" (qawah) and "to be full of confidence, to trust" (batakh). In the Scripture "hope" always respects something future and signifies far more than a mere wish that it may be realized. It sets forth a confident expectation that it will be realized (Ps. 16:9). In many passages "hope" has reference to its object, that is, to the thing expected (Rom. 8:25), the One looked to: "O Lord, the hope of Israel" (Jer. 17:13; cf. 50:7). In other passages "hope" refers to the grace of hope, that is, the faculty by which we expect.

Hope is used in this sense in 1 Corinthians 13:13: "Now abideth faith, hope, charity." Sometimes "hope" expresses the assurance we have of our personal interest in the thing hoped for: "Tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope: And hope maketh not ashamed" (Rom. 5:3–5.) That is, hope deepens our assurance of our personal confidence in God. In still other cases "hope" has reference to the ground of our expectation. The clause "there is hope in Israel concerning this thing" (Ezra 10:2) means there were good grounds to hope for it. "Who against hope believed in hope" (Rom. 4:18): though contrary to nature, Abraham was persuaded he had good and sufficient ground to expect God to make good His promise. The unregenerate are "without hope" (Eph. 2:12). They have hope, but it is based on



Romans articulates a gospel of hope. Hope is seen in the example of Abraham, who, despite his old age, hoped against hope and refused to give up on the promise of God that he and Sarah would have a son (4:18). Believers, too, must not give up on the promises of God in the gospel.

In the gospel, those justified by faith "rejoice in the hope of the glory of God." Glory here can be the believer's Adamic glory, fully restored to the image of God's son (8:29). It refers to the glory of eternity, inclusive of a believer's image-bearing glory but inclusive of their wonderful inheritance in eternity.

The hope of the gospel in Romans is not necessarily deliverance from suffering in the present age, but deliverance through suffering; it's a hope that runs much deeper. It is a hope that suffering is not worthless but produces endurance and character. It leads to a deep confidence in God that whatever happens, he is with the believer and ultimately, the believer will be with him (5:4). More than that, in the present, hope is found in the Spirit, love poured into believers by God (5:5). Such love was demonstrated in Christ (5:8). Such love in believers comforts them with the truth they are loved, no matter what horrific things afflict them (8:35–39).

Hope includes not only humanity's redemption from sin, decay, destruction, and death, but also the redemption of the cosmos. Believers are saved into this hope and wait for it in patience (8:20–25).

As such, believers should rejoice in hope, being patient in affliction and constant in prayer, for God is with the believer working all things for good for them (8:28; 12:12). The Old Testament Scriptures tell the story of God, which provides hope and encouragement (15:4). In Christ, believers put their hope (15:12). God is a "God of hope," and he fills those who trust him with joy, peace, faith, and further hope, by his Spirit (15:13).

REVELATIONAL QUOTE

"Do not look to your hope, but to Christ, the source of your hope." <u>Charles Spurgeon</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS

1.CHURCH ANNIVERSARY AND CONVENTION A.FRIDAY AUGUST 9TH TO B.SUNDAY AUGUST 11 2024

A. WEDNESDAY BY 7PM 3. NIGHT OF MERCY SERVICE A. FRIDAY BY 7PM

2. BIBLE STUDY

House of Judah Worship Time

Sunday Worship - 10AM Wednesday Bible Study - 7PM Friday Hour of Victory

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Statement of Faith

That the Holy Bible is divinely inspired by God, and is infallible, trustworthy and dependable, and authoritative in all matters of faith and conduct.

That there is only one God, who is eternally existed in three distinctive persons:Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

That Jesus Christ our Lord is God manifested in the human flesh to take away our sins and hopelessness by his voluntary suffering, death and physical resurrection.

That salvation of all humanity is only through the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is our only Hope in the world of hopelessness.

That the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Christ to live a holy life, to witness about Christ to the lost and to be anointed to be victorious in every sphere of life.

That the church is made up of those who have genuinely accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

That healing of various kinds is integral part of the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. Water baptism and the Lords Supper are authentic ordinances of the church.

That there is Satan and its demonic co- workers, whose work is to thwart and frustrate the purpose of God on earth, but their final end is the hell fire.

That there shall be a bodily resurrection of the dead in Christ to heaven, and of the unrepentant sinners to hell fire.

Church Vision

To proclaim Jesus Christ as the hope of the world through evangelism, worship, preaching, teaching, and humanitarian services to the people of all races and colors.

To train and ordain God's people for the manifold ministries of Jesus Christ worldwide.

To raise altars of prayer for God in every member household.

To establish schools, hospitals, medical centers, and orphanage at home and abroad.

To plant churches home and abroad for the purpose of making disciples of all nations.

Mission Statement

To build a multiethnic Christian Church with a passion for Jesus Christ and compassion for the world.

Church Core Values

Reaching out with the message of Power, Hope & Glory.