

# Faith and Hope

Abounding Hope - Week 2 (1-3-24)

“Get your hopes up!” (DL)

- I. Hope is contagious, share your hope with those who have lost theirs! “DL”
  - A. Romans 15:13 (AMP)
    - 1. “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing [through the experience of your faith] that by the power of the Holy Spirit you will abound in hope and overflow with confidence in His promises.”
  - B. To overflow with confidence would then spill the excess confidence onto those who we are around. Giving or sharing confidence, hope, peace, with others.
  - C. Sharing and spreading hope in God never leads to disappointment.
    - 1. Romans 5:3-5 (AMP)
    - 2. Isaiah 40:31 (AMP)
    - 3. Romans 12:12-13 (AMP)
  - D. Sharing hope with those who have lost theirs is also maintaining that relationship of encouragement. Continuing to build them and encourage them with hope in God. Building your faith, and theirs.
- II. Once true hope in God is found and anchored in faith, there is a strength that comes that is unexplainable. (This is in the Spirit man)
  - A. Once we have shared hope, we must steadily maintain our own walk by strengthening our relationship with God. Building our faith by feeding our mind God’s Word and hide them in heart. (Psalm 119:11)
  - B. We are all the body of Christ. (1 Corinthians 12:12-13, ESV)
    - 1. Forgetting the battle is not against the other person, but a spiritual battle is key
    - 2. Continually being aware of God’s presence. (pray without ceasing)
    - 3. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 (ESV)
  - C. The importance of sharing hope with those who have lost theirs is eternal. Spreading hope, to give faith, found in Christ alone, giving salvation and eternal life through Christ.
    - 1. 1 John 1:9 (ESV)
  - D. Sharing hope and faith opens the door for speaking God’s truth into the lives of those who may not have heard otherwise, may have turned away, or may have never believed
    - 1. “Hope orders the package, and Faith delivers it!” (DL)
- III. When we offer someone a snack and they say, “No thank you”, we walk away unoffended and most likely never think of it afterwards.
  - A. However, if someone rejects the hope, we are wanting to share we do not simply turn away.
  - B. Ephesians 6:10-11
  - C. 2 Corinthians 10:4-5
  - D. 1 Peter 5:8-9
  - E. Romans 8:37-39

- F. Build your faith and stand on God's word for those without hope. God gave us all free will but, He also hears and honors the prayers of those who diligently seek Him.
1. Hebrews 11:6
  2. H (help) O (one) P (person) E (everyday)
  3. Hebrews 13:16 (ESV) "Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God."