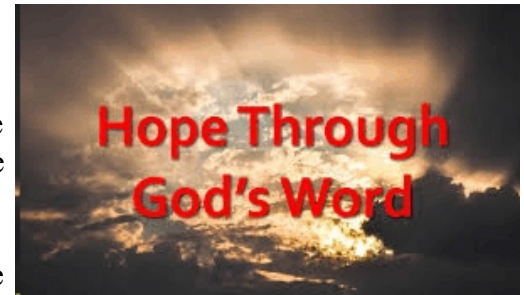


HOPE



The word HOPE is found 165 times in God’s word. We cannot list all the verses of hope, but we can be encourage to read them when we are discouraged!

The Old Testament for the word hope is Strong’s #8615 meaning in the KJV as: expectation, hope live a thing that I long for.

As Christians we are encouraged to—“O love the LORD, all you His saints: for the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewards the proud doer. Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all ye that **hope** in the LORD” (Ps 31:23-24 KJV).

In Ps 16:7-9 we are encouraged, “I will bless the LORD, who bath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons. I have set the LORD always before me: because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in **hope**.”

Psa. 31:24 “Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all you that hope [3176] in the LORD.”
Hope is Strong’s # 3176 Meaning: a primitive root to wait; by implication, to be patient, hope. KJV—(cause to, have, make to, hope, stay, tarry, trust, wait.

Psa. 131:3, “Let Israel hope [3176] in the LORD from henceforth and for ever.”

In the New Testament, hope is Strong’s # 1680 in almost all the scriptures. The meaning of #1680 is: from a primary elpo-(to anticipate, usually with pleasure); expectation (abstractly or concretely) or confidence: KJV—faith, hope. (Bible Soft program.)

Acts 26:6-8, “And now I stand and am judged for the hope [#1680] of the promise made of God unto our fathers.”

Rom 5:1-2, “Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope [1680] of the glory of God.” (KJV)

Rom 8:22-25, “For we are saved by hope: but hope [1680] that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.” (KJV)

Rom 15:13-14, “Now the God of hope [1680] fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit. And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.” (KJV)

And now the most important, 1 Cor 13:13, “And now **abideth faith, hope , charity**, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.” (KJV)

As God’s called out ones, we need to have the true hope of salvation in our Lord, Jesus the Christ! It is our duty to wait patiently for Christ’ return, fulfilling the whole duty of man as we are told in Ecc. 12:13-14, “Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil.”

