

Hope: Power to Overcome

Romans 15:13, Colossians 1:27-28

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; 6 does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails. ...

1 Corinthians 13:13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Biblical hope is the confident expectation of what **God** has promised and its strength is in His faithfulness.

Romans 8:24-25 For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, **we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.**

Faith is the present possession of grace; hope is confidence in grace's future accomplishment. –
Jack Hayford

Hope helps us overcome life's most difficult moments and to thrive in its many challenges.

“Hope is key to our existence, to our ability to persevere and to achieve goals. Indeed, research shows hope is key to our physical and mental well-being and that it can promote healthy lifestyle behaviors. Dr. Joanne Buzaglo, Ph.D.

How does hope develop? Biblical hope rests on God's promises. For our hope to grow and develop we must know Father God, His words and His character. God is the author of our hope.

Romans 15:13

13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Overcoming: hopelessness, fear

Colossians 1:27-28 To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is **Christ in you, the hope of glory.**

Hebrews 10:19-23

19 Therefore, brethren, **having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus,** ...

Hebrews 6:18-19

Overcoming: discouragement, **doubt**, depression...

Titus 1:1-2 ... according to the faith of God's elect and the acknowledgment of the truth which accords with godliness, 2 in **hope of eternal life** which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began,

1 Thessalonians 5:8-9 But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and **as a helmet the hope of salvation.**

Overcoming our past, our failures; breaking
strongholds of past hurts, habits, and hang ups.

Colossians 1:21-23 And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet **now He has reconciled** 22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight — 23 if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the **hope of the gospel** which you heard...

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Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the
gift of God is **eternal life in Christ** Jesus our Lord.

Romans 5:1-2 Therefore, having been justified by
faith, we have peace with God through our Lord
Jesus Christ, 2 through whom also we have access
by faith into this grace in which we stand, and **rejoice**
in hope of the glory of God.

Overcoming our failures

Titus 2:11-14 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, 12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, 13 looking for the **blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ**, 14 who gave Himself for us, that He might **redeem us** from every lawless deed and **purify** for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

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Psalms 39:7 "And now, Lord, what do I wait for?
My hope is in You.

Psalms 146:5-6 Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help, Whose hope is in the Lord his God, ...