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HOPE FOR A NEW YEAR



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²² For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together with labor pains until now. ²³ Not only that, but we ourselves who have the Spirit as the firstfruits — we also groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ Now in this hope we were saved, but hope that is seen is not hope, because who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵ Now if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with patience.

Isaiah 35

¹ The wilderness and the dry land will be glad;
the desert will rejoice and blossom like a wildflower.

² It will blossom abundantly and will also rejoice
with joy and singing.

The glory of Lebanon will be given to it,
the splendor of Carmel and Sharon.

They will see the glory of the Lord,
the splendor of our God.

Isaiah 35

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“Be strong; do not fear!

Here is your God; vengeance is coming.

God’s retribution is coming; he will save you.”

Isaiah 35

⁵ Then the eyes of the blind will be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped.

⁶ Then the lame will leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the mute will sing for joy,
for water will gush in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;

⁷ the parched ground will become a pool,
and the thirsty land, springs.

In the haunt of jackals, in their lairs,
there will be grass, reeds, and papyrus.

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⁸ A road will be there and a way;
it will be called the Holy Way.

The unclean will not travel on it,
but it will be for **the one who walks the path.**
Fools will not wander on it.

⁹ There will be no lion there,
and no vicious beast will go up on it;
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WE WILL SEE HIS GLORY

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Revelation 21

¹ Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² I also saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared like a bride adorned for her husband.

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⁷ The one who conquers will inherit these things, and I will be his God, and he will be my son. ⁸ But the cowards, faithless, detestable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars — their share will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.”

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WHEN HOPE BECOMES THE
EXPERIENCE OF RESURRECTION

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REVIVAL FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

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⁵ Then the one seated on the throne said, “Look, I am making everything new.” He also said, “Write, because these words are faithful and true.” ⁶ Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will freely give to the thirsty from the spring of the water of life.

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THERE IS A HOLY WAY

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Matthew 7

¹³ “Enter through the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the road broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who go through it. ¹⁴ How narrow is the gate and difficult the road that leads to life, and few find it.

Matthew 7

¹⁵ “Be on your guard against false prophets who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravaging wolves. ¹⁶ You’ll recognize them by their fruit. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes or figs from thistles?”

Matthew 7

¹⁷ In the same way, every good tree produces good fruit, but a bad tree produces bad fruit. ¹⁸ A good tree can't produce bad fruit; neither can a bad tree produce good fruit. ¹⁹ Every tree that doesn't produce good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰ So you'll recognize them by their fruit.

Matthew 7

21 “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. 22 On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, didn’t we prophesy in your name, drive out demons in your name, and do many miracles in your name?’ 23 Then I will announce to them, ‘I never knew you. **Depart from me, you lawbreakers!**’

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THE HOLY WAY IS PROTECTED

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THE HOLY WAY
LEADS TO ETERNAL JOY

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³ Then I heard a loud voice from the throne: Look, God's dwelling is with humanity, and he will live with them. They will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and will be their God.

⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; grief, crying, and pain will be no more, because the previous things have passed away.

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