

(Jeremiah 29:11) For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for prosperity and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.

(Proverbs 13:12) Hope deferred makes the heart sick, But desire fulfilled is a tree of life.

--- Hope that fails ---

1. **We place our hope in our \_\_\_\_\_.**

(James 1:10-11 NLT) And those who are rich should boast that God has humbled them. They will fade away like a little flower in the field. The hot sun rises and the grass withers; the little flower droops and falls, and its beauty fades away. In the same way, the rich will fade away with all of their achievements.

2. **We place our hope in our \_\_\_\_\_.**

(Psalm 49:6-9 NLT) They trust in their wealth and boast of great riches. Yet they cannot redeem themselves from death by paying a ransom to God. Redemption does not come so easily, for no one can ever pay enough to live forever and never see the grave.

3. **We place our hope in our \_\_\_\_\_.**

(Jeremiah 17:5-8) The Lord says, "Cursed is the man who trusts in man, who trusts in the flesh for his strength, and whose heart turns away from the Lord. For he will be like a bush in the desert and will not see when good comes. He will live in dry wastes in the desert, in a land of salt where no other people live.

Good will come to the man who trusts in the Lord, and whose hope is in the Lord. He will be like a tree planted by the water, that sends out its roots by the river. It will not be afraid when the heat comes but its leaves will be green. It will not be troubled in a dry year, or stop giving fruit.

--- Jesus our Living Hope ---

(1 Peter 1:3-5) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a **living hope** through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

✓ **Living Hope is \_\_\_\_\_ in the past.**

(Hebrews 11:1) Now faith is the certainty of things hoped for, a proof of things not seen.

(Hebrews 6:19) This hope we have as an anchor of the soul

✓ **Living Hope is \_\_\_\_\_ in the present.**

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

(Philippians 2:12-13) Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, both to desire and to work for His good pleasure.

✓ **Living Hope \_\_\_\_\_ the future.**

(Romans 8:23-25) And not only that, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons and daughters, the redemption of our body. For in hope we have been saved, but hope that is seen is not hope; for who hopes for what he already sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, through perseverance we wait eagerly for it.