

(Hebrews 10:23) Let's hold firmly to the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful;

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

--- Misplaced Hope ---

1. I misplace hope when I focus on my _____.

(Jeremiah 17:5-6) This is what the Lord says: "Cursed is the man who trusts in mankind and makes flesh 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 prosperity comes, but will live in stony wastes in the wilderness, a land of salt that is not inhabited.

2. I misplace hope when I focus on my _____.

(Proverbs 23:4-5) Do not weary yourself to gain wealth; Stop dwelling on it. When you set your eyes on it, it is gone. For wealth certainly makes itself wings Like an eagle that flies toward the heavens.

3. I misplace hope when I focus on my _____.

(Psalm 90:10-12 NLT) Seventy years are given to us! Some even live to eighty. But even the best years are filled with pain and trouble; soon they disappear, and we fly away. Who can comprehend the power of your anger? Your wrath is as awesome as the fear you deserve. Teach us to realize the brevity of life, so that we may grow in wisdom.

(Jeremiah 17:7-8) "But blessed are those who trust in the Lord and have made the Lord their hope and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit.

--- Born Again to a 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.

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**1. Who I am, is _____ in Christ
and His _____ for me.**

(Romans 15:17-19) If Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins. Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If we have hoped in Christ only in this life, we are of all people most to be pitied.

(Romans 4:25) He (Jesus) who was delivered over because of our wrongdoings, and was raised because of our justification.

✓ **Living Hope is a _____.**

"to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,"

**2. What I have, is _____ in Christ
and His _____ for me.**

(Ephesians 1:13-14 ESV) In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

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"who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

**3. What I do, is _____ in Christ
and His _____ for me.**

(Colossians 1:26-27) The mystery which had been hidden from the past ages and generations, but now has been revealed to His saints, to whom God willed to make known what the wealth of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles is, the mystery that is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

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(Colossians 1:28-29) We proclaim Him, admonishing every person and teaching every person with all wisdom, so that we may present every person complete in Christ. For this purpose I also labor, striving according to His power which works mightily within me.