

HOPE IN GOD /// Message Aug 27, 2023 - Screen Notes

(Climbing pictures)

1 Timothy 6:17

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God..

James 4:10

What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? 2 You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. 3 When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

4 You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. 5 Or do you think Scripture says without reason that he jealously longs for the spirit he has caused to dwell in us? 6 But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says:

*"God opposes the proud
but shows favor to the humble."*

7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

8 Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts [make clean] , you double-minded. 9 Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom.

10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

WHAT IS OUR HOPE TODAY PLACED IN?

Psalms 135:15-18

The idols of the nations are silver and gold, made by human hands.

They have mouths, but cannot speak, eyes, but cannot see.

They have ears, but cannot hear, nor is there breath in their mouths.

Those who make them will be like them, and so will all who trust in them.

PEOPLE THROUGHOUT ALL TIME LIKE TO CONSIDER THEMSELVES ENLIGHTENED, BUT WILL NEVER BE, APART FROM THE WISDOM OF GOD FOUND THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT'S LEADING.

1 Timothy 6:3-5

If anyone teaches otherwise and does not agree to the sound instruction of our Lord Jesus Christ and to godly teaching, they are conceited and understand nothing. They have an unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels about words that result in envy, strife, malicious talk, evil suspicions and constant friction between people of corrupt mind, who have

been robbed of the truth and who think that godliness is a means to financial gain.

1 Timothy 6:6-7

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it.

1 Timothy 6:8-10

But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

HOW MANY TIMES THROUGH THINGS WE AMASS AND CHASE HAVE WE “PIERCED OURSELVES WITH MANY GRIEFS”?

1 Timothy 6:20

Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, which some have professed and in so doing have departed from the faith.

Jeremiah 15:16

When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear your name, Lord God Almighty.

WE OFTEN LIVE A PSEUDO-CHRISTIAN LIFE AND FOOL OURSELVES INTO THINKING THAT “SORT-OF-SCRIPTURAL TRUTH” CAN CHANGE THE WORLD AROUND US.

WE MUST KNOW THE WORD OF GOD, BE HUMBLLED BY IT AND ACCEPT ZERO COUNTERFEITS.