

TIME OF REFLECTION

“In times like these you need a Savior
In times like these you need an anchor
Be very sure, be very sure
Your anchor holds and grips the Solid Rock!

This Rock is Jesus, Yes He’s the One
This Rock is Jesus, the only One
Be very sure, be very sure
Your anchor holds and grips the Solid Rock!”

~Ruth Caye Jones, 1943

“When one’s hope is properly set on God, fixed upon His promises and founded upon His Word, that hope does not fail.”

~Jay E. Adams

“We wait for the Lord;
he is our help and shield.
For our hearts rejoice in him
because we trust in his holy name.
May your faithful love rest on us, Lord,
for we put our hope in you.”

~Psalm 33:20-22 (CSB)

SERMON – “The Work of Hope” – *David Pinckney*

SERMON PASSAGE – *Hebrews 6:9-20 (CSB)*

⁹Even though we are speaking this way, dearly loved friends, in your case we are confident of things that are better and that pertain to salvation. ¹⁰For God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you demonstrated for his name by serving the saints—and by continuing to serve them. ¹¹Now we desire each of you to demonstrate the same diligence for the full assurance of your hope until the end, ¹²so that you won’t become lazy but will be imitators of those who inherit the promises through faith and perseverance.

¹³For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater to swear by, he swore by himself: ¹⁴I will indeed bless you, and I will greatly multiply you. ¹⁵And so, after waiting

patiently, Abraham obtained the promise. ¹⁶For people swear by something greater than themselves, and for them a confirming oath ends every dispute. ¹⁷Because God wanted to show his unchangeable purpose even more clearly to the heirs of the promise, he guaranteed it with an oath, ¹⁸so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us. ¹⁹We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain. ²⁰Jesus has entered there on our behalf as a forerunner, because he has become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.