



The Lord is good to those whose hope is in Him, to the one who seeks Him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord... For men are not cast off by the Lord forever. Though He brings grief, he will show compassion, so great is His unfailing love.

LAMENTATIONS 3:25-27, 31-32

Hope in the Lord. What does it mean to hope? To trust, believe, to look forward to with desire. God longs for us to hope in Him, not in any person or circumstance. Pain and grief may last for years. We wonder, does the Lord hear my cry? Does He see my pain? For centuries Israel waited for the Messiah, for Immanuel to come. After four hundred years, Jesus was born! We do not know how long the pain will last. We do not know how God will turn situations around, but our hope must be in Him, the unchanging One; no matter the circumstances. Trust in the Lord. God did not forget His people, and He will not forget you.

PRAYER

Dear Jesus, we thank You that you are our Hope. Help us, Lord, to keep trusting in You, looking to You for strength and hope every day. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen.

CALL TO ACTION

Today, remember where your hope comes from, and keep trusting in Immanuel, God with us.