

**THAT THE GOD OF OUR  
LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE  
FATHER OF GLORY, MAY  
GIVE YOU THE SPIRIT OF  
WISDOM AND REVELATION  
IN THE KNOWLEDGE OF  
HIM, THE EYES OF YOUR  
UNDERSTANDING BEING  
ENLIGHTENED; THAT YOU  
MAY KNOW WHAT IS THE  
HOPE OF ITS CALLING,  
WHAT ARE THE RICHES OF  
THE GLORY OF HIS  
INHERITANCE IN THE  
SAINTS.**

*Ephesians 1:17-18*

Hope is the Invisible Essential. Most humans are visual learners - that is, we need to see it to understand it. The Word of God knows how we think and offers so many wonderful word pictures. Hebrews 6:19 says, "This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the presence behind the veil." What a stunning concept! We may be travelers in enemy territory, but our hope is secure - anchored and safely tied to the Holiest of Holies.

"Without a vision people perish..." Proverbs 29:18 If we don't have a spiritual carrot that drives us out of bed each morning, we will wander, we will give up, we will perish. That carrot is rooted in the ALMIGHTY triune God.

## PRAYER

"Now may the God of hope fill you with joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in HOPE by the power of the Holy Spirit."

Romans 15:13

## CALL TO ACTION

1. Ask yourself, "What is my hope based on?"
2. When do you feel the most defeated or deflated?
3. Review God's track record in your life - when have you trusted Him with various things? - Has he come through?
4. Seek to eliminate leaning on weak resources - go instead to the One who has no "shadow of turning."