

**H O P E**

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Hope anchors our soul in turbulent waters.

Hope comes out of a person's character  
when they've endured through suffering.

Hope brings us life through the resurrection  
of Jesus.

BLESSED BE

THE GOD & FATHER

OF OUR LORD  
JESUS CHRIST!



ACCORDING TO HIS GREAT MERCY,

HE HAS CAUSED US TO BE BORN AGAIN



TO A LIVING HOPE

THROUGH THE RESURRECTION OF

JESUS CHRIST FROM THE DEAD,

TO AN INHERITANCE THAT IS



IMPERISHABLE

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& UNFADING



1 PETER 1:3-4A

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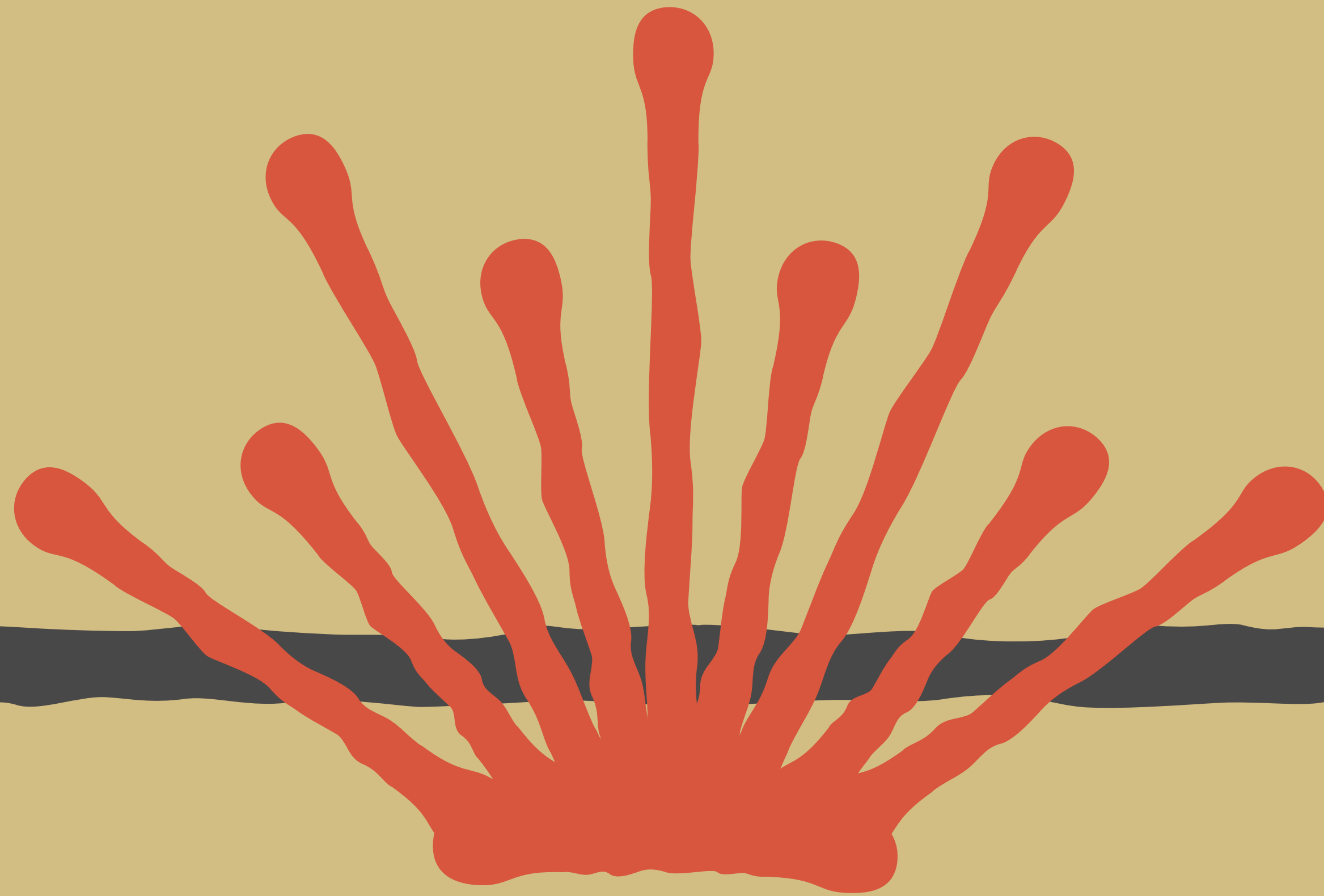
Prayer for those who are going without.



# Hope Found & Hope Lost



# Present Hope



Jesus Comes

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to fawn or crouch to, i.e. (literally or figuratively) prostrate oneself in homage (do reverence to, adore): — worship.

probable derivative of ku/wn (meaning to kiss, like a dog licking his master's hand)







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3 When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; 4 and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 5 They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

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6 ““And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of  
Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers  
of Judah;  
for from you shall come a ruler  
who will shepherd my people Israel.””

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7 Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. 8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him."

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9 After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy.

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11 And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.



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12 And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

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13 Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him."

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14 And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt 15 and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt I called my son."

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# HOPE FOUND AND HOPE LOST IN JESUS

What's your response to Jesus? Bow down or strike down?

What's in place of Jesus as king of your life?

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## LUKE 2:22-38

30 for my eyes have seen your salvation  
31 that you have prepared in the presence of  
all peoples,  
32 a light for revelation to the Gentiles,  
and for glory to your people Israel."

Ex. 13:2 "Consecrate to me all the firstborn.

Whatever is the first to open the womb among the people of Israel, both of man and of beast, is mine."

Lev 12:4 Then she shall continue for thirty-three days in the blood of her purifying. She shall not touch anything holy, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying are completed.







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–Johnny Appleseed