

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



These discussion questions are designed to extend the impact of the Sunday message. You can use them for your personal Bible study, family study, and/or small group study.

Overview

Sermon: *ONE Hope*

I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit. – Romans 15:13 (NLT)

“How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope.”

(From Living Hope, written and performed by Phil Wickham)

Discussion

1. How would you describe the difference between how someone might describe hope without the presence of God and hope finding its source in God? How is hope in God more than just wishful thinking?
2. Praying in faith can be described as believing that God has done it. Likewise, praying in hope can be described as believing God will do it. How is hope based in the evidence of what God has already done?
3. Have you ever been in a place where your hope was dried up and God made good on your behalf at just the right time? Share your story with the group. How do you see God at work in your story? How has your experience of God’s grace aided in your own ability in trusting in Jesus and loving your neighbor?
4. Share with the group some biblical characters that seemed to never give up hope. What can we learn from them about perseverance? Who is someone today that embodies this same kind of hope?

Application

5. Is there some area in your life where you need the hope of God? Share with the group.
6. Pray Romans 15:13 over one another so that “you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Spirit.”

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