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Hope is the secure assurance that God's promises which are not yet seen are and will be reality.

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Matthew 2:1-12

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him;



Matthew 2:1-12

... and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

“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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Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. 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." 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.



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When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. 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. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.



Where can I find hope for 2022?

- Expect the unexpected from God

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Where can I find hope for 2022?

- Expect the unexpected from God
- Accepting who God is as He says He is in Scripture will enable me to identify my idols that keep me from hope in the midst of the unexpected.

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A decorative flourish consisting of a central diamond shape with a small circle inside, flanked by symmetrical, flowing lines that taper to small circles at the ends.

Where can I find hope for 2022?

- God says it, I believe and act upon it

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Where can I find hope for 2022?

- God says it, I believe and act upon it
- Where I place my hope can be determined by what I act upon and persevere doing.

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Where can I find hope for 2022?

- Knowing is not enough, true worship is required

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Where can I find hope for 2022?

- Knowing is not enough, true worship is required
- Circumstances may not be conducive to worship, but the author of hope is more than worthy of my all.

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Where can I find hope for 2022?

- No matter the results, Jesus will never leave me.

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Where can I find hope for 2022?

- No matter the results, Jesus will never leave me.
- Terrible things do happen, my Jesus is still sovereign, and my love can grow ever deeper for Him and others.

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Psalm 73:25-26 Realities of hope for 2022

Whom have I in heaven but you?

And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.

My flesh and my heart may fail,

but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

