

JESUS: GOD OF HOPE

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Zech 9:12; 1 Tim 5:5, 6:17

1. The opposite of Hope is not Despair the opposite of Hope is Darkness

2 Cor 4:6-10; Luke 24:19-21; Acts 2:25-27

We often put our hope in the *remedy* of Jesus but not the *revelation* of Jesus

2. Hope is something you cultivate and something God activates

Rom 5:5; 15:13; Gal 5:5

3. Trust is about Cannon-Balling into God's promises

Rom 4:29-24, 15:4; Luke 1:35-38; Ps 42:5, 11; Heb 6:18-19; 10:23

Marry wasn't pregnant with a CHILD she was pregnant with HOPE

4. Hope is about spiritual nostalgia in the face of spiritual amnesia

God's past faithfulness always fuels hope for God's future faithfulness

Those with the most hope will have the most influence.

QUESTIONS

1. As Christians our hope is supposed to be in Jesus, but often we (subtly) place our hope in other things. What are some of the "other things" you put your hope in? Can you give some specific examples?
2. What is the difference between hoping in the *remedy* of Jesus and the *revelation* of Jesus?
3. What is our role in cultivating hope?
What is God's role in cultivating hope?
4. In what areas of your life do you struggle to have hope? Pray for each Group member asking God to renew hope in their life.