



Christian Hope: Possibility vs Certainty

Isaiah 9:1-7

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Christian hope is not hopeful, it's certain.

Isaiah 9:1-2

1. Hope is not hopeful.

Hope often means a desire for something to happen that we are not sure will happen.

Hope can be dangerous if it is defined this way, which is why, biblically, hope is not defined as hopeful.

2. Hope is certain.

Hope is not a matter of possibility, it's a matter of certainty.

Revelation 13:9

Jesus is a better candidate for our hope than ourselves or anything else.

Hebrews 6:19, 1 Peter 1:3

3. Hope changes reality.

John 1:4-5

The light of Christ has shined in the darkness and the darkness has NOT overcome it.

The hope that Jesus will win out in the end allows us to experience today differently.