

Results of Hope

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A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.

1. Hope reassures believers in their faith.

A. Hope is an unshakeable confidence in God, despite one's circumstances.

B. Hope is essential to a believer's faith.

C. Hope gives strength, teaches patience and brings encouragement.

A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.

1. Hope reassures believers in their faith.

Ephesians 1:18–19

18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,

19 and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might

A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.

1. Hope reassures believers in their faith.

Hebrews 3:6

6 but Christ was faithful as a Son over His house—whose house we are, if we hold fast our confidence and the boast of our hope firm until the end.

A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.

1. Hope reassures believers in their faith.

Hebrews 10:23

23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful;

A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.

2. Hope encourages believers.

A. The Holy Spirit gives us the power to hope and that is a demonstration of God's love for us.

B. Hope given by the Holy Spirit works together to give us confidence, joy, peace, power and love.

A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.

2. Hope encourages believers.

Psalm 31:2

2 Incline Your ear to me, rescue me quickly; Be to me a rock of strength, A stronghold to save me.

Isaiah 40:31

31 Yet those who wait for the LORD Will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary.

- A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.
- ## 2. Hope encourages believers.

Romans 5:3–5

3 And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance;

4 and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope;

5 and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.

3. Hope encourages believers to rejoice.

Romans 5:1–2

1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

2 through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God.

A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.

4. Hope encourages believers to look for restoration.

Here are three future realities of our restoration that God offers us to safely place our hope in:

1. A Glorified Body
2. A Healed Heart
3. A Home in Paradise

A. Hope reassures believers in this present life.

4. Hope encourages believers to look for restoration.

1 Peter 5:10

10 After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you.

B. Hope leads to more effective Christian living.

1. Hope encourages believers to be bold.

2 Corinthians 3:12

**12 Therefore having such a hope,
we use great boldness in our
speech,**

B. Hope leads to more effective Christian living.

2. Hope encourages believers to share the Gospel.

1 Peter 3:15

15 but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;

B. Hope leads to more effective Christian living.

3. Hope leads to godly living.

Hebrews 6:10–12

10 For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints.

11 And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence so as to realize the full assurance of hope until the end,

12 so that you will not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

B. Hope leads to more effective Christian living.

3. Hope leads to godly living.

1 John 3:2

2 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.

B. Hope leads to more effective Christian living.

4. Hope equips believers for spiritual warfare.

1 Thessalonians 5:8

8 But since we are of the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the hope of salvation.

B. Hope leads to more effective Christian living.

5. Hope enables believers to face suffering with confidence.

Hope allows believers to suffer with confidence.

Suffering produces endurance.

Col. 1:11-12

11 strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously

12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.

B. Hope leads to more effective Christian living.

5. Hope enables believers to face suffering with confidence.

Philippians 1:20

20 according to my earnest expectation and hope, that I will not be put to shame in anything, but that with all boldness, Christ will even now, as always, be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death.

C. Hope enables believers to face the future with confidence.

1. Hope enables believers to face death with confidence.

Believers can face death with confidence because of Jesus Christ.

Jesus was completely obedient to His Heavenly Father and this obedience took Him to the cross.

On the cross He took the full punishment for mankind's sin. The wrath of a just God came upon Him and, at the end of His suffering, He gave up His life and provided salvation to all men.

C. Hope enables believers to face the future with confidence.

1. Hope enables believers to face death with confidence.

Heb. 2:14-15

14 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,

15 and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives. **23**

- C. Hope enables believers to face the future with confidence.
2. Hope assures believers of their eternal life.

1 Corinthians 15:19

19 If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied.

Titus 1:1–2

1 Paul, a bond-servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the faith of those chosen of God and the knowledge of the truth which is according to godliness,
2 in the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long ages ago,

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2. Hope assures believers of their eternal life.

Titus 3:7

7 so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

1 Peter 1:3

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

C. Hope enables believers to face the future with confidence.

3. Hope enables believers to face the coming judgment with confidence.

1 Thessalonians 1:10

**10 and to wait for His Son from heaven,
whom He raised from the dead, that is
Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath to
come.**

C. Hope enables believers to face the future with confidence.
4. Hope assures believers of their heavenly inheritance.

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4. Hope assures believers of their heavenly inheritance.

1 Peter 1:3–5

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

4 to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,

5 who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Conclusion

1. Hope gives believers confidence and reassurance in this present life, allowing them to lead effective lives for God.
2. It also reassures them of the reality of eternal life, allowing them to face death with confidence.