



# **THE HOPE OF THE BELIEVER**

I Corinthians 13:13; Romans 15:13

***Message: There are many wonderful facets of this "Hope" we have in Christ.***

- I. THE HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE***
- II. THE HOPE OF GOING TO BE WITH THE LORD AT DEATH***
- III. THE HOPE OF THE LORD'S CONTINUAL PRESENCE IN OUR LIVES***
- IV. HOPE OF THE LORD HEARING OUR PRAYERS***
- V. HOPE OF THE LORD'S GUIDANCE IN OUR LIVES***
- VI. HOPE OF THE LORD'S HELP IN OUR LIVES***
- VII. HOPE OF THE LORD WORKING IN OUR LIVES***
- VIII. HOPE OF THE LORD'S SPECIAL GRACE IN TRIALS***
- IX. HOPE IN THE UNCHANGEABLE LOVE OF GOD TOWARD US***
- X. HOPE IN THE LORD'S VICTORIOUS STRENGTH TO OVERCOME OUR ENEMIES***

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## ***XI. HOPE IN THE COMING OF THE LORD JESUS***

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### **ACTS 1: 9-11 (NKJV)**

<sup>9</sup> Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, <sup>11</sup> who also said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven.”

### **John 4:1- 2 (NKJV)**

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John <sup>2</sup> (though Jesus Himself did not baptize, but His disciples),

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### **I Thessalonians 4: 13-18 (NKJV)**

<sup>13</sup> But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. <sup>15</sup> For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. <sup>16</sup> For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup> Therefore comfort one another with these words.

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### **2 Thessalonians 1:7-9 (NKJV)**

<sup>7</sup> and to *give* you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, <sup>8</sup> in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power,

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## ***XII. HOPE OF A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH*** (Isaiah 65:17, Revelation 21:1-3)

### **Isaiah 65:17 (NKJV)**

<sup>17</sup> “For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former shall not be remembered or come to mind.

### **Revelation 21:1-3(NKJV)**

<sup>1</sup> Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. <sup>2</sup> Then I, <sup>[a]</sup>John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them *and be* their God.