

# The Rewards of Hope

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## God is - the God of hope

Rom 15:13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, ...

## We have been born again to a living hope

1Pt 1:3 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,

## We were called in hope - results in unity

Eph 4:4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling;

## He gives us good hope.

2Thes 2:16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal comfort and good hope by grace,

## Christ in you, the hope of glory

Col 1:27 to whom God willed to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

## Hope gives us:

### Security - Hope is an anchor - Hope stabilizes the soul.

Heb 6:19 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil,

hope that is sure (This Greek word is used five times in the New Testament.)

3X - for certain, certainty (Ac 21:34; 22:30; 25:26).

Heb 6:19 hope that is sure

Phil 3:1 Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things again is no trouble to me, and it is a safeguard for you.

hope that is steadfast (This Greek word is used nine times in the New Testament.)

Ro 4:16 For this reason it is by faith, in order that it may be in accordance with grace, so that the promise will be guaranteed to all the descendants,

2Cor 1:7 and our hope for you is firmly grounded, knowing that as you are sharers of our sufferings, so also you are sharers of our comfort.

Heb 2:2 For if the word spoken through angels proved unalterable, and ...

Heb 3:6 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.

Heb 3:14 For we have become partakers of Christ, if we hold fast the beginning of our assurance firm until the end,

Heb 6:19 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast

Heb 9:17 For a covenant is valid only when men are dead, for it is never in force while the one who made it lives.

2Pt 1:10 Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble;

2Pt 1:19 So we have the prophetic word made more sure, to which you do well to pay attention

### **Endurance - the ability to endure - in difficult situations**

Rom 4:18 In hope against hope he believed, so that he might become a father of many nations according to that which had been spoken, "so shall your descendants be."

### **Ability - to overcome disappointment and shame**

Rom 5:5 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.

This Greek word is used 13 X in NT, in 4 ways

#### **1) to shame or put to shame**

1Cor 1:26 but God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to shame the things which are strong,

1Cor 11:22 Do you not have houses in which to eat and drink? Or do you despise the church of God and shame those who have nothing?

2Cor 7:14 For if in anything I have boasted to him about you, I was not put to shame; ...

2Cor 9:5 ... If any Macedonians come with me and find you unprepared, we--not to speak of you--will be put to shame by this confidence.

1Pt 3:16 and keep a good conscience so that in the thing in which you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ will be put to shame.

#### **2) to (be) disappointed**

Rom 5:5 and hope does not disappoint, ...

Rom 9:33 ... he who believes in Him will not be disappointed. (Rom 10:11; 1Pt 2:6)

#### **3) to (be) disgraced**

1Cor 11:4 Every man who has something on his head while praying or prophesying disgraces his head.

1Cor 11:5 every woman who has her head uncovered while praying or prophesying disgraces her head,

#### **4) to be humiliated**

Lk 13:17 As He (Jesus) said this, all His opponents were being humiliated;

### **Protection - the hope of salvation is our helmet.**

1Thes 5:8 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.

### **Presence of God - hope enters within the veil**

Heb 6:19 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil,

Heb 7:19 (for the Law made nothing perfect), and on the other hand there is a bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.

**Confidence and boldness.**

2Cor 3:12 Therefore having such a hope, we use great boldness in our speech,

Heb 3:6 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.

**Hope leads to:****Joy and gladness.**

Prov 10:28 The hope of the righteous is gladness, But the expectation of the wicked perishes.

**Purity**

1 John 3:3 And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

**Endurance.**

Rom 8:25 But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance we wait eagerly for it.

1Thes 1:3 constantly bearing in mind your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father,