

THE HOPE BIBLE STUDY

1. Hope is defined in the dictionary as: *a feeling that what is wanted will happen; desire accompanied by anticipation or expectation.* The Bible gives some additional characteristics of hope.
 - a. According to Romans 8:24-25 what are at least two characteristics about hope? _____.
 - b. According to Romans 12:12 what should we have when we hope? _____.
 - c. According to 1 Corinthians 13:7 what does love always do? _____.
What does this tell us about hope? _____.
 - d. According to 1 Corinthians 13:13 there are three things that remain (this means that they are eternal and last even after we die). What are these three things? _____.
 - e. According to 1 Peter 3:15 what should we be able to do if someone asks us about the hope we have? _____.

2. Next we consider those who are hopeless in life and what it leads to.
 - a. According to Proverbs 13:12 what happens when hope becomes hopelessness? _____.
 - b. According to Ecclesiastes 2:17 what did the person think about life when he became hopeless? _____.
 - c. According to Ecclesiastes 4:1-2 who is better off than the oppressed hopeless person? _____.
 - d. According to Ephesians 2:12 what causes people to be without hope? _____.

3. Sometimes people have hope but it is misplaced hope.
 - a. According to Job 8:11-13 what happens to people's hope when it is directed toward the wrong places? _____.
 - b. According to Job 11:20 what is the hope of the wicked described as? _____.
 - c. According to Job 27:8 what type of people have no hope when they die? _____.
 - d. According to Proverbs 10:28 what happens to the hopes of those who hope for what is wrong? _____.
 - e. According to 1 Timothy 6:17 what should people not put their hope in and what should they hope in? _____.

4. Here we will consider what the Bible tells us those who have hope will do or what characteristic they will have when they have hope.
 - a. According to Psalm 33:18 what is something we should hope in and what will be the results for us? _____.
 - b. According to Psalm 33:22 what is the benefit for those who hope in the Lord? _____.

- c. According to Psalm 42:11 in whom should we put our hope and what will be the results? _____.
- d. According to Isaiah 40:30-31 what is the cure for being tired and weary? _____.
- e. According to Romans 5:5 why does hope in Christ not disappoint us? _____.
- f. According to Colossians 1:5 what springs from hope? _____.
Where did this hope come from? _____.
- g. According to 1 Thessalonians 1:3 what does hope inspire? _____.
- h. According to Hebrews 6:18-19 what are two things that will be produced in us by having our hope in the right place? _____.
- i. According to Hebrews 10:23 what should we do regarding hope and why? _____.
- j. According to Hebrews 11:1 what happens when we become sure of the thing that we hope for? _____.
- k. According to 1 John 3:3 what do people do who have hope in the Lord? _____.

5. Finally, we will look at how we find hope.

- a. According to Psalm 42:5 what is the source of the cure for a downcast soul? _____.
- b. According to Psalm 62:5 what is the cure for a restless soul? _____.
- c. According to Psalm 119:74 what should we put our hope in? _____.
- d. According to Psalm 147:11 what should we hope in? _____.
- e. According to Jeremiah 29:11 what is the source of each person having a hope and a future? _____.
Do you know the plan of God for your life and have hope in it? _____.
- f. According to Acts 24:15-16 what should people put their hope in? _____.
What will that cause us to do? _____.
- g. According to Romans 15:4 what is a great source of hope for us? _____.
- h. According to Romans 15:13 who fills us with hope? _____.
What is the source of us being able to overflow with hope? _____.
- i. According to Colossians 1:27 what is the hope of glory that people can have? _____.
- j. According to 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14, when talking about people who have died, what is the hope that we can have? _____.
Who are the people who have no hope? _____.
- k. According to 1 Timothy 4:9-10 what should be our source of hope? _____.
- l. According to Titus 2:13 what is the blessed hope? _____.