



MESSAGE NOTES

Grounded Hope and Groundless Hope

Romans 15:13
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Psalm 147:11 “the Lord delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love”

1. Why is hope so important?

Hope gives real meaning to our lives. Hope takes away the feeling of helplessness. People need hope in order to get up and move.

Psalm 43:5

“Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me?
Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.”

2. What Are You Putting Your Hope In?

Hope placed in God isn't groundless hope. It isn't just wishful thinking. When the emptiness of groundless positive thinking is uncovered, it makes us feel more hopeless than before.

1 Timothy 4:10 “That is why we labor and strive, because we have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all people, and especially of those who believe.”

3. Grounded Hope

Romans 15:13 “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

When we have solid hope in our loving Heavenly Father, we can receive power and energy to move forward.

Conclusion:

Let's look to the God of hope. Trust in God, ask for help and move forward in the hope that God gives us. We look to God with expectation because we have put our hope in God.