

TAKE HOME SHEET



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Think of a time when you were hopeful about something or someone, and what you hoped for didn't happen.

How did that disappointment impact you?

Christian hope is all about God, His purposes, priorities, and desires for us. When we anchor our lives to Him, we can have great and growing confidence to live life now, knowing that He is absolutely trustworthy.

We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.

Hebrews 6:19 (NIV)

Take some time and think about the three priorities that build a strong and resilient faith.

Which one are you strongest in?

Which one do you think God wants you to make a better effort to strengthen?

Do you know someone who is lacking in hope that you could reach out to and graciously encourage?

If you are lacking hope, is there someone you know who you could confide in to help you strengthen your faith?

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT – New Living Translation

NIV – New International Version

MESSAGE NOTES



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¹⁵ So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. ¹⁶ Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. ¹⁷ Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do.
Ephesians 5:15–17 (NLT)

Followers of Jesus should be known less for their political views and more for their humility, hope, and love.

When we have humility but lack hope, we fall into the large and growing group of the exhausted.

Christian hope is living with confidence that God keeps His promises.

I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in Him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Romans 15:13 (NLT)

Christian hope is built and strengthened by these priorities:

1. Regularly learning and applying God's truth from the Bible.

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

Romans 15:4 (NIV)

2. Regularly meeting with others who trust and follow Jesus.

²³ Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep His promise. ²⁴ Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. ²⁵ And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of His return is drawing near.

Hebrews 10:23–25 (NLT)

3. Regularly sharing our love for Jesus with others through our actions and words.

And His name will be the hope of all the world.
Matthew 12:21 (NLT)