

God's Hope In A Hopeless World

Hebrews 11:1 KJV Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

When hope is gone, faith has nothing to bring to pass. Everyone has a time in their life when they will be tempted to be hopeless. What does it mean to be hopeless? Well to answer this question we must know the definition of hope; which is: expecting something good to happen to you. Now let us think about this as well. There is a difference between natural, human hope and God's Hope. Natural-human hope is based on natural circumstances being favorable to us. God's Hope is based on what God has said will come to pass in our lives.

When I find promises in the Bible that are to any believer, if I will stand on those promises and believe that they will come to pass in my life; I have moved out of mere natural-human hope, and I've moved into the Hope that comes from God's Word. This kind of Hope is not just wishing something will come to pass; it is knowing something will come to pass, because God said it, and He cannot lie. Let's see in the Scriptures the two different kinds of hope.

Romans 4:18 KJV Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations; according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be.

Here's the Amplified Bible version...For Abraham, human reason for hope being gone, hoped in faith that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been promised, So numberless shall your descendants be.

Now in the Message Bible...When everything was hopeless, Abraham believed anyway, deciding to live not on the basis of what he saw he couldn't do but on what God said He would do. And so he was made father of a multitude of peoples. God Himself said to him, "You're going to have a big family, Abraham!"

Abraham became the father of many nations, because He decided to move pass natural hope into God's Hope. In God's Hope there is no wish or maybe. In God's Hope we say God said, and it will surely come to pass. Abraham's wife was too old in the natural to have a baby; she was 90 years old. Abraham and Sarah hoped against hope. They took God's Hope that comes from God's Word and they stopped hopelessness.

Now it is important to know that nobody has to be hopeless. Anyone can take God's Promises in the Bible and believe them, and God has to bring them to pass in their lives. God is truth; He cannot lie! When He says something, it is the truth; and if it applies to a believer, that believer can receive that truth into their life.

As we close this Newsletter, let's look at some Promises you can stand on to receive from God.

Matthew 8:13 KJV And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast

believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.

Mark 9:23 KJV Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.

Mark 11:23-24 KJV For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. [24] Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

Mark [16:17-18](#) KJV And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My Name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; [18] They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Now if you're living a hopeless life, you don't have to. God's Word, which is the Bible, is the book of Hope for you. As you read and study it, you will see God's Hope come alive in your life.

Love you,
Pastor Paul