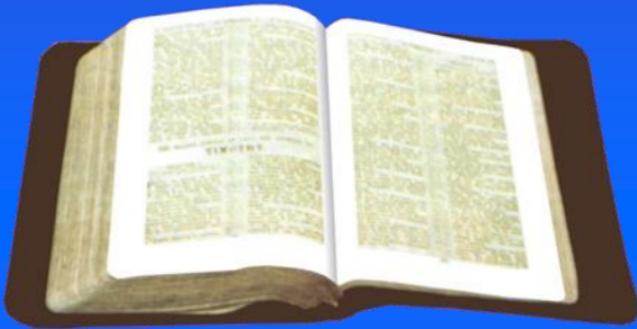


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THE HOPE set before us in the BIBLE concerning a future good PROMISED BY GOD has been made known to us in Scripture so that we might accept it with earnestness and sincerity.

- **Salvation depends upon our belief (faith) in, and permanent holding of, the HOPE preached by the apostles.**

Romans 8:24 (KJV) For we are saved by hope - (in the Greek 'the hope')

Hebrews 3:6 (KJV)... whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.

Colossians 1:23 (KJV) If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel...

Romans 1:16 (KJV)... the gospel... is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth...

- **There is only ONE HOPE in apostolic teaching, not several different or conflicting hopes.**

Ephesians 4:4 (KJV)... ye are called in one hope of your calling;

Colossians 1:23 (KJV)... the hope of the gospel...

Titus 2:13 (KJV) Looking for that blessed hope...

Colossians 1:5 (KJV)... the hope... whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel;

Galatians 1:9 (KJV)... If any man preach any other gospel unto you... let him be accursed.

- **The ONE HOPE is the HOPE OF ISRAEL, or the hope established in the Jewish nation, ages before Christ appeared, by the PROMISES made to the fathers of that nation.**

Acts 28:20 (KJV)... for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.

Acts 26:6 (KJV)... I stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made of God unto our fathers: 7 Unto which promise our twelve tribes, instantly serving God day and night, hope to come. For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews.

- **Jesus Christ came to confirm the promises:**

Romans 15:8 (KJV)... Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers:

Romans 9:4 (KJV)... to whom (the Jews) pertaineth ... the promises.

John 4:22 (KJV)... salvation is of the Jews.

- **We are asked to believe (have faith in), certain good things to come, to be hoped for on the strength of the promise of God, whom we honour by believing his word.**

Hebrews 11:1 (KJV)... faith is the substance of things hoped for...

1 Peter 1:13 (KJV)... hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

Hebrews 13:14 (KJV)... here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

Romans 4:20 (KJV)... strong in faith, giving glory to God; 21... being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

- **The HOPE includes eternal life, and inheritance of the Kingdom of God.**

Titus 1:2 (KJV) In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

1 John 2:25 (KJV)... this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life.

James 2:5 (KJV)... heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him

Matthew 25:34 (KJV)... Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom...

2 Peter 1:11 (KJV)... so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

- **Without an informed and sincere belief (faith) in God's promise we cannot be saved.**

Hebrews 11:6 (KJV)... without faith (the substance of things hoped for - see verse 1) it is impossible to please him (God)...

Romans 10:17... faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Mark 16:16 (KJV)... He that believeth not shall be condemned.

1 John 3:3 (KJV)... every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself...

- **We must hold the HOPE fast.**

Hebrews 3:6 (KJV)... hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.

Romans 8:24 (KJV)... we are saved by hope...

No better security can be found for future good than the assurances God has given in his word.

It is reasonable that we should understand and believe God's promises, sincerely, joyfully, and enthusiastically, to be well-pleasing to him.

It is unreasonable to expect to share in the fulfilment of the promises, to be brought to us by Jesus Christ at his return, if we are ignorant of them.

If we want the reward promised by God we must make ourselves acquainted with what the Bible teaches.

The HOPE taught in the Bible will be certainly realised by those who in faith and patience look for it.

THE BIBLE HOPE is that of **ETERNAL LIFE** and **INHERITANCE** of the **KINGDOM OF GOD** to be brought to us at the **RETURN** of **JESUS CHRIST** to the earth.