

Hope Starts Here

Part of the series, "Hope Alive: In Us and For Others"

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"A time is coming and in fact has come when you will be scattered, each to your own home. You will leave me all alone. Yet I am not alone, for my Father is with me. I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." (John 16:32-33 NIV)

God is with US.

"...You will leave me all alone. Yet I am not alone, for my Father is with me." (v. 32)

"...Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." (Hebrews 13:5 NIV)

God gives us PEACE.

- Through TRUTH.

"I have told you these things..." (v. 33)

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7 NIV)

- Through PRAYER.

Trials are a reality in a FALLEN world.

"...In this world, you will have trouble..." (v. 33)

"...The wages of sin is death..." (Romans 6:23 NIV)

"Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed." (1 Peter 4:12-13 NIV)

We must find hope in JESUS.

- Jesus IN us brings peace.

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23 NIV)

- Jesus THROUGH us brings peace to OTHERS.

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