

THE THRILL OF HOPE... Part 1: "Hope is Not Lost"

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"The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine."

Isaiah 9:2 (NLT)

I NEED HOPE TO...

1. ...CHANGE MY _____

"I pray that the eyes of <u>your heart may be</u> <u>enlightened</u> in order that <u>you may know the</u> <u>hope to which he has called you</u>, the <u>riches of</u> <u>his glorious inheritance</u> in his holy people, and <u>his incomparably great power for us who</u> <u>believe</u>. That power is the same as <u>the mighty</u> <u>strength he exerted when he raised Christ from</u> <u>the dead</u> and <u>seated him at his right hand in</u> <u>the heavenly realms</u>."

Ephesians 1:18-20 (NIV)

2. ...____ ME INTO ______

"Faith shows <u>the reality of what we hope for</u>; it is <u>the evidence of things we cannot see</u>. Through their faith, the <u>people in days of old</u> <u>earned a good reputation</u>."

Hebrews 11:1-2 (NLT)

"This is what the Lord of Heaven's Armies, the God of Israel, says to all the captives he has exiled to Babylon from Jerusalem: "<u>Build</u> <u>homes, and plan to stay</u>. Plant gardens, and eat the food they produce. Marry and have children. Then find spouses for them so that you may have many grandchildren. <u>Multiply!</u> <u>Do not dwindle away!</u> And <u>work for the peace</u> <u>and prosperity of the city where I sent you</u> into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, for <u>its welfare will</u> <u>determine your welfare</u>."

Jeremiah 29:4-7 (NLT)

"This is what the Lord says: "You will be in Babylon for seventy years. <u>But then I will come</u> <u>and do for you all</u> the good things I have promised, and I will bring you home again. For <u>I know the plans I have for you</u>," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."

Jeremiah 29:10-11 (NLT)

3. ... _____ GOD'S _____

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, <u>how</u> <u>often I have longed to gather your children</u> <u>together, as a hen gathers her chicks under</u> <u>her wings</u>, and you were not willing." **Matthew 23:37** (NIV)

"For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide <u>we might have</u> <u>hope</u>."

Romans 15:4 (NIV)

I pray that <u>God, the source of hope</u>, will fill you completely with joy and peace because <u>you</u> <u>trust in him</u>. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13 (NLT)