

HOPE

Hope defined (Merriam-Webster Dictionary): “to cherish a desire with anticipation : to want something to happen or be true.”

What do most people hope FOR?

- As unbelievers in Jesus Christ:
- As believers in Jesus Christ:

IN what (whom) do most people place their hope?

- As unbelievers in Jesus Christ:
- As believers in Jesus Christ:

Important final questions:

- ♦ **What happens when people in our community have no hope and how does it affect their choices?** (In other words, what do people often do who are without a sense of hope or purpose?)
- ♦ **Describe a situation when you felt hope was gone. What happened?**
- ♦ **How does hope change people's lives and choices?**

Key passages on “hope” as believers in Jesus Christ:

What we hope FOR:

Romans 8:22-25

Hebrews 10:34

Hebrews 11:1,39-40 (consider reading the entire chapter)

1 Peter 1:3-4

Revelation 21:1-4

IN Whom we hope:

Psalms 25:3-5

Psalms 39:7

Isaiah 40:31

Jeremiah 29:11

Romans 5:1-6

Romans 15:13

1 Timothy 4:9-10

***With Jesus, we have an endless hope;
Without Him, a hopeless end!***