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I John 3:3; Everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

HOPEFULNESS IN JESUS

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Hello again to all my brothers and sisters in the Lord Christ Jesus. The subject that the Holy Spirit has inspired me to write about for June is hopefulness! As born again Christians, thanks to Jesus, there is now hope for eternal salvation through spiritual sanctification for all believers. Jesus is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world and blessed are those who are called to His Supper! Through Christ Jesus, we know that our future destination and salvation are sure! We are free to live for Christ and love others. When you find yourself doubting or wavering in your faith, remember your destination-----Heaven! May we say “Hallelujah” at this time, for Jesus Christ is our Savior and Lord; who died sacrificially on the Cross for our sins, and rose from the dead so we can have eternal life with Him. As I reflect upon my daily sins, together with the sins of this broken world, I think to myself, God must really love and care for us. He keeps on blessing us with His eternal Love. The Bible tells us in **John 3:16** that; **“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”** The entire Gospel comes to focus in this verse. God’s love is not static or self centered; it reaches out and draws others in. With respect to God’s Love, He sets the pattern of true love, the basis of all love relationship—when you love someone dearly, you are willing to give freely to the point of self sacrifice. God paid dearly with the life of His Son, the highest price He could pay. Because of God’s Love, Jesus paid the price, and then offered up the new life that He had bought for us. When we share the gospel with others, our love must be like Jesus’-----willingly giving up our own comfort and security so that others might join us in receiving God’s Eternal Love.

Some people are repulsed by the idea of eternal life, because their lives are miserable. But eternal life is not an extension of a person’s miserable mortal life; eternal life is God’s life embodied in Christ given to all believers now as a guarantee that they will live forever. In eternal life, there is no more death, sickness, enemy, evil, or sin, praise the Lord. When we don’t know Christ, we make choices as though this life is all we have. In reality, this life is just the introduction to eternity. My brothers and sisters in the Lord, receive this new life by faith and begin to evaluate all that happens from an eternal perspective and not this life is all we have kind of attitude.

To believe is more than an intellectual agreement that Jesus is God. It means to put all our trust and confidence in Him that He alone can save us.

In order to achieve God's complete peace, you must put Christ in charge with your present plans and eternal destiny. Believing is both trusting His Words as reliable, and relying on Him for the power to change. If you have never trusted Christ, let this promise of everlasting life be yours---and believe! The Lord is with us "Hallelujah" praise the Lord Christ Jesus always, for He is mighty to save. **Zephaniah 3:17** tells us that; **"The Lord your God is with you, He is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, He will quiet you with His Love, He will rejoice over you with singing.** However, on the dark side of this fallen world, overwhelming grief, prolonged stress, incessant abuse, continual persecution, and imminent punishment breed hopelessness and despair. Hope on the other hand is like a silver shaft of sun breaking through a storm darkened sky, words of comfort in the intensive care unit, the first spring bird perched on a snow covered twig, and the finish line to eternal salvation is in site. Furthermore, it is a rainbow, a song, a loving touch. Hope is knowing and completely relying on the Lord, and resting in His Love. **1 Peter 1:3** tells us that; **Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.** My friends in Jesus, you can not be a real Christian without a fresh beginning based on the salvation Christ brings to all who believe. To be born again is a magnificent gift from God. Question: Do you need encouragement at this time? If so, this Scripture offers us joy and hope in times of trouble, and we can base this confidence on what God has done for us in Christ Jesus. We're called into a living hope of eternal life.

Our hope is not only for the future; eternal life begins when we trust Jesus and join God's Family of believers. God will help us remain true to our faith through whatever difficult times we must face. The last day however is the day of Christ! No matter what trials or persecution you may face in this life, your soul cannot be harmed if you have accepted Christ's gift of eternity. You will see the promised rewards, "Hallelujah" thanks again Lord Jesus!! Let us pray; Father God, may we all give you thanks and praise for sending Your Son Lord Jesus, to die for our sins, and His Gift of eternal salvation to all who believe. Lord please help us stay firm in You on that narrow road to eternal paradise. Almighty Father, may Your Holy Spirit continue to draw your people to the truth about Jesus. Lord please never leave us or forsake us. Father, please never give us more than we can handle. Father God, please continue to bless us with Your eternal love, grace, and mercy. I ask all this in the name of my Lord and Savior, Christ Jesus, "Hallelujah".....Amen!!

HOPE

By Sarah Young

THOUGH DIFFICULTIES ABOUND IN THIS WORLD, REJOICE THAT I AM ALWAYS PRESENT WITH YOU! I can enable you to cope with any and all circumstances, strengthening as you look trustingly to Me. No matter how hopeless your situation may seem, I assure you that all things are possible with Me. I am the Truth, and therefore I am true to all My promises. They will provide a rock solid foundation on which you can live and move and have your being. Since I am the living Word, affirming your trust in My promises, is an excellent way to draw near to Me. As you bask in the beauty of My Holy Presence, you might find yourself wanting to praise Me! Do not restrain that holy impulse; instead give it voice. While you are worshiping Me, new hope will grow within you!! See **Psalm 42:5**

A SPIRITUAL THOUGHT

The Holy Bible tells us in **Psalm 42:5**; **Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise Him, my Savior and my God.** Depression is one of the most common emotional ailments. One antidote for depression is to meditate on the record of God's goodness to His people. This will take your mind off of the present situation, and give you God's Hope that it will improve! It will help focus your thoughts on God's ability to help you in time of need, rather than your inability to help yourself! When you feel depressed and hopeless, pray and ask God to help you to deal with your moment of depression!!

SPIRITUAL WISDOM

Proverbs 24:28: Do not testify against your neighbor without cause, or use your lips to deceive.

Proverbs 22:22: Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court, for the Lord will take up their case and will plunder those who plunder them.

SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

John 15:5-7: “I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in Me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing. If anyone does not remain in Me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, and thrown in the fire and burned. If you remain in Me and My Words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given to you.

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THE SPIRITUAL CONNECTION’S DAILY PRAYER LIST

Please pray with this ministry for: Baby Colton Jake, Baby Janofsky, Baby Ronald, Bill Schlupp, Little Justin, Elena Logan, Michael Santarpio, Theresa Wade, Zach, Warren Wisdom, Janet Young, Joe Lakes, Janelle Owens, Anne Marie Hess, Natalie Lott, Marianne Wilson, Jonathan Baker, Paige Parker and Family, Russ Holman, Kevin Palma, Adi Daza, Bill Lang, Joyce Villa Maggio, Mary Ann Fernandez. If you have someone that is in need of prayer at this time go to the Spiritual Connection’s website leave name in comment @ [:makethespiritualconnection.com](http://makethespiritualconnection.com) Also you can find at the website, monthly Journals from our archives dating back to 2003. Plus plenty of Christian music, videos, testimonials, Christian radio stations across the country, and numerous study tools and more. The Spiritual Connection, is a place to go to better understand the Word of God!!



WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE?