

Isaiah 11:1-12:6
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Sermon Notes

Hebrews 10:23 ESV

23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

Biblical Hope:

1. To hope in Jesus is life-sustaining, because Jesus will rule, restore and reclaim

Colossians 2:3 ESV

3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

The victory of Jesus will be the awakening and purifying and restoring and gladdening of all things human. His kingdom is the only final answer to poverty, hunger, injustice, illiteracy, and all the other sorrows we have created. His grace will add sparkle to World Cup soccer, classical guitar, business ventures, Monopoly with kids, everything human, to the greater glory of God.

John 12:32 ESV

32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

2. To hope in Jesus is life-changing, providing a confident testimony, rich enjoyment and a universal mission.

Romans 8:31 ESV

31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

John 7:37-38 ESV

37 On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. 38 Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'"

Zechariah 2:10-11 ESV

10 Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion, for behold, I come and I will dwell in your midst, declares the Lord. 11 And many nations shall join themselves to the Lord in that day, and shall be my people. And I will dwell in your midst, and you shall know that the Lord of hosts has sent me to you.

3. To hope in Jesus ... is hard

Psalms 42:5 ESV

5 Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation

Colossians 3:1-2 ESV

1 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

Discipline yourself to hope in Jesus:

1. Pray often
2. Remind yourself of who you are in Christ
3. Confide in a friend
4. Go outside
5. Count your blessings
6. Praise
7. Do not neglect meeting with others
8. Get in the Word