



Hope is Alive

We Can Overcome the Odds Together

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LET US hold unswervingly to the HOPE we profess, for he who promised is faithful.
- Hebrews 10:23 NIV

THE BIG IDEA: Following Jesus doesn't mean we won't experience hardship. But it does mean we can expect to overcome the odds together with Him.

TWO ENCOURAGEMENTS FOR YOUR THIRSTY SOUL:

I. HOLD ON TO HOPE

- About midnight... - Acts 16:25a NIV
- TASTE AND SEE that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge IN HIM.
- Psalm 34:8 NIV
- ...Paul and Silas were PRAYING and SINGING HYMNS TO GOD... - Acts 16:25
- "If you are thirsty, come to me and drink!" - Jesus, John 7:37 CEV

"But Lord, 'tis for Thee, for Thy coming we wait, The sky, not the grave, is our goal; Oh, trump of the angel! Oh, voice of the Lord! BLESSED HOPE, blessed rest of my soul. It is well, (it is well), With my soul, (with my soul) It is well, it is well, with my soul."

- Horatio Spafford, 1873

- REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS. Again I will say, rejoice! - Philippians 4:4 NKJV
- ... and the other prisoners were listening to them. - Acts 16:25b NIV
- "... Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" - Hopeless Jailer, Acts 16:30b NIV
- They replied, "BELIEVE IN THE LORD JESUS, and you will be saved – you and your household." - Acts 16:31 NIV

Our Mission: Helping people find and follow Jesus

II. HE WHO PROMISED IS FAITHFUL

- "In this world you will have trouble. BUT TAKE HEART! I HAVE OVERCOME the world."
- Jesus, John 16:33 NIV
- SUDDENLY... AT ONCE all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose.
- Acts 16:26 NIV
- Not one of the Lord's good promises to the house of Israel failed; every one was fulfilled.
- Joshua 21:45 NIV
- In all these things WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS through him who loved us.
- Romans 8:37 NIV
- "Let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely."
- Jesus, Revelations 22:17 NKJV