

When Hope Doesn't Motivate

"For all the promises of God find their Yes in Him. That is why it is through Him that we utter our Amen to God for His glory." 2 Corinthians 1:20, ESV

Will our _____ be reliable if we don't _____ them? Will hope?

A Key Ingredient For Hope That Is Often Neglected

- A. Psalm 33:17 – The war _____ is a _____ hope. One should put their hope in _____ instead.
- B. An oft-neglect ingredient for hope:
 - 1. Romans 15:4 – Things _____ in _____ days were written for our _____, that we might have _____.
 - 2. Matthew 13:15 – Some people's _____ grow _____ and their _____ can barely _____.
 - 3. Hebrews 5:11,12 – They hadn't grown because they had grown _____ of _____.
- C. Will our hope be effective if we don't _____ the _____? If that is the case, our hope won't _____.

Healthy Hope Will Motivate Christian Living

- A. ***Knowing that the Lord cares for us strengthens hope:***
 - 1. Romans 15:2-4 – Christ was _____ for us; that's the truth we need to be _____ about, which leads to hope.
 - 2. Matthew 10:29-31 – We are of great _____ to the Father.
- B. ***Knowing the Lord is active in our lives strengthens hope:***
 - 1. 2 Corinthians 9:8 – God makes sure we have all _____ in _____ things so we may _____ in good works.
 - 2. James 5:16 – The _____ of the _____ have great _____ as they are working. God is behind it all.
- C. ***Knowing God is faithful to His promises strengthens hope:***
 - 1. 1 Kings 8:56,57 – Not _____ word of all God _____ had _____.
 - 2. 2 Corinthians 1:20 – Christ is the _____ of all the _____ of God.
 - 3. 1 Peter 4:19 – We can _____ our souls to a _____ God.

Psalm 145:3,4 – By _____ God's _____ acts we help the next _____ to develop a motivating hope in Him.

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