

GOD'S



GIFT

'HOPE & EXPECTATION'

# QUOTE

**“Hope sees the invisible, feels the intangible, and achieves the impossible.”**

**Helen Keller**

# SCRIPTURE

## Where Do we Place Hope?



Proverbs 13:12 NLT

**Hope deferred** makes the heart sick, but  
a dream fulfilled is a tree of life.

# Definition Differences...

**Hope** (*noun*), Oxford Dictionary, 'world's' definition:

"A feeling of wanting and expecting a particular thing to happen; something that you wish for."

**Biblical perspective of Hope:**

"Hope is a confident trust and expectation...  
based on the promises of God."

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## Biblical Basis for Hope?

### Isaiah 9:6-7 NLT

<sup>6</sup> For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup> His government and its peace will never end. He will rule with fairness and justice from the throne of his ancestor David for all eternity. The passionate commitment of the Lord of Heaven's Armies will make this happen!

# “Truth About” Prophetic...

**Prof. Peter Stoner, *Probability of 8 Biblical Prophecies...***

**(Chair. of Mathematics & Astronomy, Pasadena College)**

“Suppose that we take  $10^{17}$  silver dollars and lay them on the face of Texas. They will cover all the state, two feet (60cm) deep. Now mark one of these silver dollars and stir the whole mass thoroughly, all over the state. Blindfold a man and tell him that he can travel as far as he wishes, but he must pick up one silver dollar **and say that this is the right one.**”

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## Why Trust God's Promises?



**Luke 1:31-33 NLT**

<sup>31</sup> You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. <sup>32</sup> He will be very great and will be called the **Son of the Most High**. The Lord God will give him the **throne of his ancestor David**. <sup>33</sup> And he will reign over Israel forever; **his Kingdom will never end!**”

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## Why Trust God's Promises?



**Matt 1:20-21 NLT**

<sup>20</sup> As he considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream. “Joseph, son of David,” the angel said, “do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife. For **the child within her was conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

<sup>21</sup> And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for **he will save his people from their sins.**”



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## What Ignites NEW Hope?



**Matt. 12:21** NLT <sup>21</sup>“And his name will be the hope of all the world.”

**Psalm 42:11** NLT <sup>11</sup> Why am I discouraged? Why is my heart (*soul*) so sad? **I will put my hope in God!** I will praise him again— my Saviour and my God!

# QUOTE

**“We must accept finite  
disappointment, but never lose  
infinite hope.”**

**Martin Luther King Jr**

# How To Find God's Strength in Difficult Times?

## i) RESET Physically

**Psalm 62:5–6 NLT** <sup>5</sup> Let all that I am wait quietly before God, for **my hope is in him.** <sup>6</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress where I will not be shaken.

## ii) RESET Spiritually

**Rom 15:13 NLT** <sup>13</sup> I pray that God, **the source of hope,** will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.

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## God's Gift: Eternal Hope & Expectation



**1Peter 1:3-4** NLT

<sup>3</sup> All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again (*to a living hope*), because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. *Now we live with great expectation*, <sup>4</sup> and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay.

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