

There is



Salvation and Sin (Part 5) — Hope

Romans 8:18-25

#12 in a series on Romans

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Theme: **Salvation from sin brings us hope.**

We need hope.

1. The current mess we are in. (18-21; see also Psalm 64:1; 2 Corinthians 1:5; Philippians 4:12; 2 Timothy 1:8; Hebrews 2:10; 1 Peter 4:12-13)
2. The reason we are here.
(19-22; see also 3:12, 23; 6:12; Genesis 3:17-18 Isaiah 11:6-8; 65:17)

We have hope.

1. Firstly and ultimately in God.
(see Romans 15:13; see also Psalm 62:1-2, 5-8; 120:7; 146:3-4)
2. Here specifically, “the glory to be revealed to us.”
(18-19, 23; see also 1 Corinthians 15:42-57; 2 Corinthians 1:22; 5:5; Ephesians 1:13-14; Colossians 3:4; 2 Thessalonians 4:13-18)

We can and are to live in hope.

1. Keep the value of your hope in focus. (18-19, 23-24)
2. Keep keeping on.
(18-25; see also 5:3-5; 8:14-15, 29; Philippians 3:13-14; James 1:3-4; 1 John 3:2)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. Hope. We know the word. What is hope, in general terms? How is true Biblical hope different? What is it about, what does it involve? Write a brief description of it and keep it at hand as you go through the week.

Tuesday. Sunday we said that hope is essential, that we all need hope. Why do we need it? What is our distinct need for hope as Christians.? Review and record some of the times when you really wanted hope and perhaps even felt hopeless, as well as some of the times you found hope to be vital, meaningful. Write out your personal comparison of your sufferings and your hope.

Wednesday. Believers can have hope which is grounded in God, “the God of hope” (15:13). Is your hope grounded in God today? In chapter 8 the specific part of our hope is being made complete, including a new, everlasting body, when we are with Christ. Review the Scripture references on the outline and thank God for this hope.

Thursday. To truly be people of hope we need to keep the value of our hope in focus. Read verses 18-23 and 23-24. Think about your sufferings and then compare them to the hope you have. Also realize that to live in hope you need to persevere, to keep keeping on. Review verses 18-25. Yes, keep keeping on!

Friday–Saturday. This weekend we plan to look at the grand verses which close this chapter and our security in Christ. Read and think through Romans 8:28-39 as you prepare for our time of worship together.