

12-6-2020 Sermon Squeezers; Jesus is Hope

1. Read 1 Peter 1:3-4 and 21. What does the resurrection of Jesus Christ have to do with hope? In these verses, what great gifts are bestowed upon us by a merciful God?

Read Romans 15:4-13.

2. In verse 4, what was given to us so that we might have hope?

Pastor Dan said concerning hope, "God is not handing out optimism about our circumstances. He is pointing to the object that transforms us. He wants us to trust in Jesus, who is outside our circumstances. Only by trusting in Him will we hope." Do you have areas of your life that you need God's encouragement to persevere and hope?

3. In verses 5-7, we are told that God's gifts of encouragement, perseverance and hope transforms our relationships with other believers. What does this look like? What will we all do together?
4. Pastor Dan said in the sermon today. "Biblical hope is a solid assurance about what is to come. Hope is waiting with expectation and with confidence of the outcome. What God has promised will be accomplished." Can you list the things that you have confidence that God will accomplish?

Romans 15:13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.