

Sermon Title: May God Fill You With Hope

Sermon Date: November 27, 2016

**Scripture:** Romans 15:12-13 **Speaker:** Pastor Rod Randall

- 1. Go around the room and share a few Thanksgiving stories from last week. How many went back for seconds? Thirds? Anyone *still* eating left-overs?
- 2. As a group, share church and/or family memories of Advent. What traditions or experiences come to mind?
- 3. Advent is celebrated on the four Sundays prior to Christmas Eve. What good comes from recognizing this tradition?
- 4. Read Romans 15:12-13, Genesis 3:15 and Micah 5:2.
- 5. The first Christmas Advent candle represents hope. What hopes are fulfilled in Jesus? Why is Jesus our only hope for deliverance?
- 6. Based on Titus 2:13 what hope is yet to be fulfilled?
- 7. How does "Christian hope" differ from "worldly hope"?
- 8. Why is the Lord described as "the God of hope"?
- 9. Read Job 13:15. After everything Job went through, his situation seemed hopeless. How does he manage to continue to hope in the Lord?
- 10. Read Romans 15:4. What role does the Bible play in bringing hope?
- 11. What's the connection between the Holy Spirit and hope?
- 12. Are there any other Bible verses on hope that are particularly meaningful to you?

13. What's on your "hope" list? How can you make sure you give each of these to the Lord put your hope first and foremost in Him?	and