

Living With Hope Pastor Michael Rochelle June 27/28, 2015

"For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

A Four Word Definition For Hope -

GOD IS IN CONTROL

I. What Hope Gives Me ...

The ability to get **STARTED**

"... those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint."

Isaiah 40:31 (NIV)

The acce	ptance t	o live with	

"We had great burdens there that were beyond our own strength. We even gave up hope of living. But this happened so we would not trust in ourselves but in God." 2 Corinthians 1:8-9 (NCV)

The attitude to GO ON

"So be truly glad! There is wonderful joy ahead, even though the going is rough for a while down here."

1 Peter 1:6 (TLB)

The admonition to **SLOW DOWN**

"I find rest in God; only He gives me hope." Psalm 62:5 (NCV)

The advice to **SAY NO**

"Everyone who has this hope in Christ keeps himself pure, just as Christ is pure." 1 John 3:3 (TEV)

II. Ways To Have Hope

"... we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character, and character, hope." Romans 5:3-4 (NIV)

1. Suffer a PROBLEM

Problems are INEVITABLE
Problems are UNEXPECTED
Problems develop and GROW US

2. Show PATIENCE with that problem

"... if we must keep trusting God for something that hasn't happened yet, it teaches us to wait patiently and confidently." Romans 8:25 (TLB)

"The Scriptures give us patience and encouragement so that we can have hope." Romans 15:4 (NCV)

3. Seal in CHARACTER

"Don't try to squirm out of your problems. For when your patience is finally in full bloom, then you will be ready for anything, strong in character, full and complete."

James 1:4 (TLB)

"Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment." 1 Timothy 6:17 (NIV)

4. Share HOPE

"In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead..." 1 Peter 1:3 (NIV)

"But I have hope when I think of this: The Lord's love never ends His mercies never stop." Lamentations 3:21-22 (NCV)

"...those who hope in Me will not be disappointed." Isaiah 49:23 (NIV)

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

"There Is A Rock"

Welcome To Our Guests

"Whom Shall I Fear"
"10,000 Reasons"
"Your Great Name"
"The Stand"

"Worship Medley"
Celebration Choir

The Message - Pastor Michael Rochelle

Worship Through Giving

"Overwhelmed" James Kalakay

"There Is a Rock"
Closing

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Tuesdays @6:30PM – Logos Bible Study for College/Singles (Recreation Center)
Wednesdays @6:30PM - Garden Patch (Preschool Center), Legacy Kids - 1st-5th
Grade (Children's Center), JH "Reality" Ministry (Rec Center), HS "WNYC" Ministry
(Rec Center), Elevate Classes (Fellowship Center) and Celebration Choir Rehearsal
(Choir Room)

Thursdays - Men's Bible Study @9:00AM (Choir Room) Journey Program @6:15PM (Fellowship Center)

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