



Hope - The Real Crisis of Today

Part Three

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"A leader is a dealer in hope." — Napoleon Bonaparte

Deuteronomy 28:65 (TEV)

65 You will find no peace anywhere, no place to call your own; the LORD will overwhelm you with anxiety, hopelessness, and despair.

Synthesized Lessons on Hope

1. It Is Serious but Not _____

Numbers 11:15 (NIV)

15 If this is how you are going to treat me, put me to death right now--if I have found favor in your eyes--and do not let me face my own ruin."

Faith vs. Hope

Hebrews 11:1 (NKJV)

1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Hope is the handle attached to the chain of faith that is firmly fixed to the Rock of our Salvation, Christ our Lord.

2. Hope in Your Future Gives You _____ in Your Present

Proverbs 13:12 (NLT2)

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

"We should accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope!"
— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Stop Living in the Past or Fretting Over the Future

The Past—

1. Learn from your past!
2. Accept God's forgiveness of your past!
3. Then — move on!

The Future—

1. Dream about your future.
2. Plan for your future.
3. Then — detach from that desired future-focused outcome. Simply focus on the process.

3. In Spite of _____, Still Hope

Acts 27:20 (NIV)

20 When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the storm continued raging, we finally gave up all hope of being saved.

ANSWERS:

1. HOPELESS

2. POWER

3. SIGHT