

SUNDAY ANOINTING SERVICE

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TITILE: KEEP HOPE ALIVE.

BREIF SUMMARY

Romans 8:24:25

Romans 8:24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

The Bible says we are saved because of hope .

Hope that is seen is not hope.

The Bible over here is telling and showing us what hope is.

There is a difference between faith and hope .

The scripture says three things abide; Love, Faith and Hope.

The greatest one is love.

1 Corinthians 13:13

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity. [1 Corinthians 13]

This month of visitation I want you to remember the quality of hope.

As the world is going through all these difficulties now, there is the need for you to come back to this foundation of hope.

Faith , love and hope they are all related .

If you look at the dictionary the meaning of faith says, complete trust or confidence in someone or something.

Faith is the confidence of trust which is not based on proof

You can't touch or feel the thing physically but faith tells you that you have it .

What is hope ?

a feeling of expectation and desire for a particular thing to happen.

Hope is an expectation and Faith is when you trust in something you cannot see .

Example: a father and a child . They are both in the same house ,the father tells the child "tomorrow God willing I will buy you a car" .

The child has faith in what his father has said . He has not seen the car but because his father has said it he believes it. that is faith.

But hope is when the child will be saying and thinking when will tomorrow come . Daddy said he will buy me a car . When will tomorrow come.

So that excitement and happiness makes the child think that tomorrow I will get the car

So faith and hope are not the same thing but they are interrelated.

But in all Love has to be the foundation

Hope is an optimistic attitude of the mind, based on the expectation for the future .

Faith is now but hope is the future.

When there is no hope there no faith.

We are in dangerous times, we are in terrible time .

Everything is knocking and pointing to the fact that things are not getting easier.

What shrinks our hope is when we see sinners prospering but it seems we the Christians are struggling.

How does faith comes?.

Faith comes by hearing , and not hearing news , not hearing what bloggers are saying , not hearing what human beings are saying but faith comes by hearing the word of God.

It is the word of God that gives us hope not the world .our hope depends on the word of God .

Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

God knows the plans he has for you.

God did not bring us this far to disgrace us . God did not bring us from January 2020 to now to disgrace us .

God has better and loving plans for us .

God has got plans for you . They are not plans of evil but rather good plans .

He said he will take you to an expected end .

If God has said it ,just have faith and hope will be your portion .

Hebrews 11 says faith is now and hope is for the future .

But as a Christian you need both.

People who have faith and don't have hope cannot look into the future with a positive and optimistic mindset and mentality.

Hebrew 11:1

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. [Hebrews 11]

The evidence of things not seen . So you couldn't see but because you have heard it you have faith , whereas for hope, Hope is what you look up to , the result.

When word comes and faith arises what you are expecting God to do, you must have **patience** for it.

If you are having hope because of the things you are seeing, that is not correct hope.

Some of us our hope is the money we see now, because when we go to our account we see so much money

But the Bible is saying that hope that is seen is not hope , your hope is to do with the future. You cannot say you have hope when you can see the thing.

They say that if you have life you have hope but the Bible says if you have hope you have life .

Day in day out people are killing themselves , some are committing suicide. Why are people behaving the way they are behaving? It's Because they have lost hope , they can't see the future.

We Christian believe that Jesus Christ will come again , heaven is real , hell is real and believe that judgment is around the corner .

God says "I know the plans I have for you and my plans are not evil".

You must be aware that without patience you will follow the majority, which are on the broad way that leads to destruction.

Don't do what the majority are doing , do what the word of God tells you to do . Because when you do that it takes you out of the bad things that people are doing .

Have patience and when you are waiting for your expected end be prepared to endure despise and shame .

People will say all sorts of things against you for choosing to abide by the word of God but be patient. Don't allow that to cause you to rush to do the unthinkable.

Suffering and humiliation are sometimes part of the waiting process

God's time is the best so wait for it .

Remember that patience don't just come to you, it is only achieved by going through a testing period.

Patience will make you wait for God's time and blessings which is generational than corrupt your way to riches within a short time which will not last but rather lead to your destruction.

Though he slays us, yet will we trust in him because no matter the circumstances, we know that OUR REDEEMER LIVES!

JESUS IS ALIVE !!!