



RHYTHM - Hope

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Conversation Guide:

Create a meaningful conversation. Feel free to adjust the questions as needed.

- ◆ In this sermon, Pastor Derwin speaks of hope in a triune sense: past, present, and future. We will go through questions that help us think about hope in each of these categories.
- ◆ *Hope transforms our past.* Read **1 Peter 2:9**. Regardless of your past, you are now a *royal priesthood*. What does it mean to be a priest? What was the role of the temple priest in the Old Testament? A priest is a bridge between God and humanity. How can you be a bridge in your circle of influence?
- ◆ You have a new royal family, identity, and vocation. Take a moment to think about your vocation. How does a vocation differ from a job/career? How can you live out your new royal vocation in your job/career/home/school?
- ◆ *Hope gives us focus in the present.* Read **Titus 2:11-14**. How are we to live in the present age? Before we do "good works," we are already cleansed (vs. 14). Why is it important to remember this?
- ◆ *Hope gives us endurance so we can experience our beautiful future.* Read **1 Corinthians 15:53-55**. Vs. 55 says to be steadfast and immovable. Why are we able to remain steadfast? How has Jesus Christ given us the victory? How can you shift your mentality to work from a place of victory instead of for victory?
- ◆ *Hope is trusting in the promises of God.* Read **2 Corinthians 1:20-22**. All of God's promises are yes in Christ. What are these promises? The Spirit is a down payment for what? How will you live today knowing the past, present, and future hope we have in Christ?

Soul-tattoo: Read this affirmation daily.

Hope has a name.

His name is above every other name.

His name is Jesus.

Hope lets me know that my past is not my prison.

Hope lets me know that I am powerful in every present circumstance.

Hope tells me that my future is good and beautiful.

Hope has a name; His name is Jesus.

Hope will guide me when I can't see.

Hope will never leave me nor forsake me.

Hope has a name.

His name is Jesus,

And I will put my trust in Him.

Amen.

Action Step: Watch our Brain Health Conversations on YouTube, Tuesdays at 7pm.