

G R E A T B I B L E W O R D S

HOPE

Introduction: We are studying great Bible words. Tonight we continue our look into what is probably the most famous triplet in the Bible: faith, hope, and love (**I Corinthians 13:13**). These are three great and powerful virtues. In tonight's lesson, I want to explore the subject of hope. Hope is an earnest expectation, or something for which we are longing and waiting. Let's study together...

Discussion:

I. What Is Our Hope?

- A. We can have hope of a heavenly reward (**Matthew 6:19-20, Colossians 1:5**).
- B. We can have hope of resurrection (**Acts 23:6, I Corinthians 15**).
- C. We can have hope in the gospel (**Acts 28:20, Colossians 1:5, 23**).
- D. We can have hope of eternal life (**Titus 1:2, 3:7**).
- E. We can have hope of salvation (**Romans 8:24-25, I Thessalonians 5:8**).
- F. We can have hope in our calling (**Ephesians 1:18, 4:4**).

II. What Is The Nature of This Hope?

- A. Our hope is glorious (**Colossians 1:27**).
- B. Our hope is good (**II Thessalonians 2:16**).
- C. Our hope is blessed (**Titus 2:13**).
- D. Our hope is steadfast and sure (**Hebrews 6:19**).
- E. Our hope is joyful (**Hebrews 3:6**).
- F. Our hope is living (**I Peter 1:3**).

III. Why Do People Reject This Hope?

- A. Sinful living starts with a desire to sin (**James 1:15**).
- B. Sinful living continues to allow us to drift (**Isaiah 53:6**).
- C. Sinful living offers a very deceptive outcome (**I Corinthians 6:9**).
- D. Sinful living promises more than it can deliver (**Romans 6:6**).
- E. Sinful living is always destructive (**Romans 5:12**).
- F. Sinful living leads to eternal death (**Romans 3:23, 6:23**).

IV. How Can This Hope Transform Our Lives?

- A. Hope will challenge you to pursue the fruit of the spirit (**Galatians 5:19-23**).
- B. Hope will remove your condemnation (**Romans 8:1**).
- C. Hope will cleanse you from your sins (**I John 1:9-10**).
- D. Hope will cover a multitude of sins (**Hebrews 10:14**).
- E. Hope will reverse your condition (**Romans 5:9**).
- F. Hope will compel you to tell others (**I Peter 3:15**).

Conclusion: What was Paul's prayer in **Romans 15:13**? I need that hope. You need that hope. The world needs that hope!!! Are you full of hope? Let's share this wonderful word with others!