

A SHOWER OF HOPE – A Scripture reading for 3 readers

Let hope wash over you like a refreshing rain as you hear these beautiful expressions of hope from the New Testament Scriptures.

1 – Romans 5: We rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

2 – Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.

3 – And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

1 – Romans 8: We ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

2 – For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what one already has?

3 – But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

1 – Romans 12: Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

2 – 1 Corinthians 13: Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

3 – And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love.

1 – Colossians 1: To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

2 – 1 Thessalonians 1: We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

3 – 1 Thessalonians 4: Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest, who have no hope.

1 – Titus 1: Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ for the faith of God's elect and the knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness – a faith and knowledge resting on the hope of eternal life.

2 – Hebrews 6: We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.

3 – 1 Peter 1: Prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed.

1 – Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

1, 2, & 3 – Romans 15: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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