MESSAGENOTES APRIL 8 2018



Roger Ellis | Lead Pastor John 7:37-39

Hope is the confident expectation of a positive outcome despite overwhelming evidence to the contrary.

Listen to what the Bible says about hope:

- When God rescues His people out of Egypt, the first place He takes them is to the desert. Why would He do such a thing?
 - 1. Living water is for those who are thirsty
 - 2. Living water <u>finds</u> its source in <u>Jesus</u>
 - 3. Living water is to <u>flow</u> through me to others
 - THE **ONE THING:** Hope is not a thing or a feeling...it's a person

Miss something? Completed sermon notes are available online. Binders to organize your sermon notes are available at the upstairs Welcome Desk.

NEXTSTEPS

- O Memorize 1 Timothy 1:1.
- O Do a biblical word search on the word "hope."
- Clarify your water source.
- D Believer's Baptism (August 12, 2018).

NOTES FOR PERSONAL & SMALL GROUP STUDY

1 KEEPING IT REAL

What place does hope have in your life? How would you complete this sentence: I have (or don't have) hope because _____.

○ LOOKATTHE BOOK

The hope of the believer rests on the character of God. What do the following say about God and how are you encouraged: Psalm 86:5, Psalm 100:5, Psalm 139:15-16, Psalm 144:2, Psalm 147:3-6, Jeremiah 31:3, Matthew 19:26, Titus 3:4-6.

How can we have more hope? Consider: Romans 5:3-5, Romans 15:4, 1 Peter 1:3-5, and 1 Peter 1:13.

TAKING IT FURTHER

Where have you set your hope? Whose thoughts do you rely on in the wilderness of life? Spend some time pondering and praying over Isaiah 55:8-12.

WORSHIP LYRICS

If you'd like to spend more time with the lyrics from any of the songs this morning, please click on the song title below to continue worshiping.

Great and Mighty King How Can It Be? It is Well Lord, I Need You O Come to the Altar