

## "HOPE: A KEY TO FLOURISHING"

Part 1 of 1 Sunday, April 9, 2023 at 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 AM Easter Sunday

Text: 1 Peter 1:3 and other selected scriptures on hope.

Big Idea: Where there's no hope for the future there's no flourishing in the present.

1 Peter 1:3, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." {NASV}

Ephesians 2:12b, "Without hope and without God in the world."

Romans 4:18, "Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, 'So shall your offspring be.'"

Hebrews 2:8b, "But now we do not yet see all things subjected to him." {NASV}

## I. BE SURE YOUR HOPE IS NOT ANCHORED TO ANYTHING THAT IS PASSING AWAY.

1 Timothy 6:17, "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment."

## II. LOOK TO THE LORD AND HIS WORD TO BE YOUR ONGOING SOURCE OF HOPE.

Romans 15:4, "For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope."