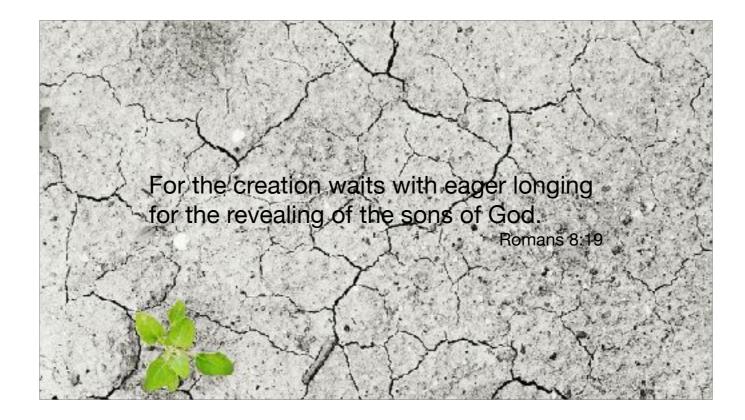
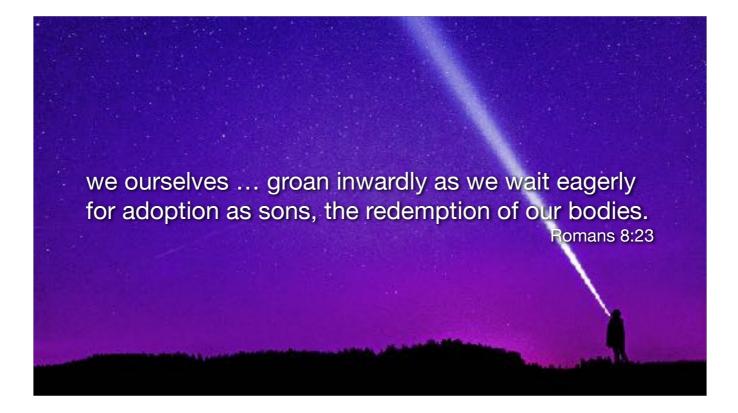


- Romans 8:18-25
  - $\cdot\,$  For I consider that the sufferings of this present time
    - $\cdot\,$  are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.



- 19 For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.
  - · 20 For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it,
  - in hope
    - 21 that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and
    - obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.
  - 22 For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now.



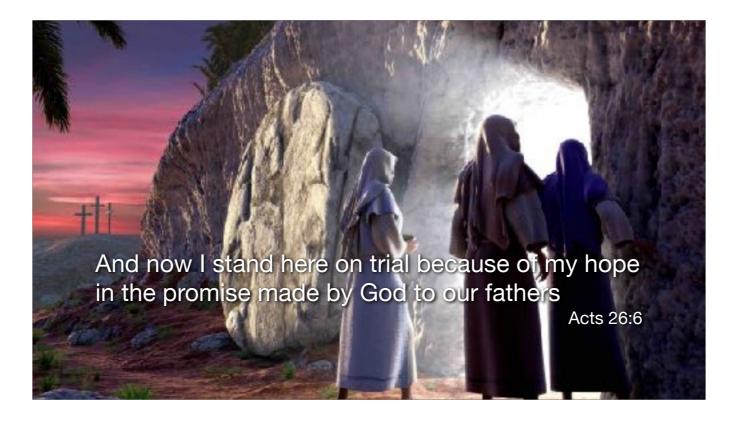
- · 23 And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit,
  - groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.



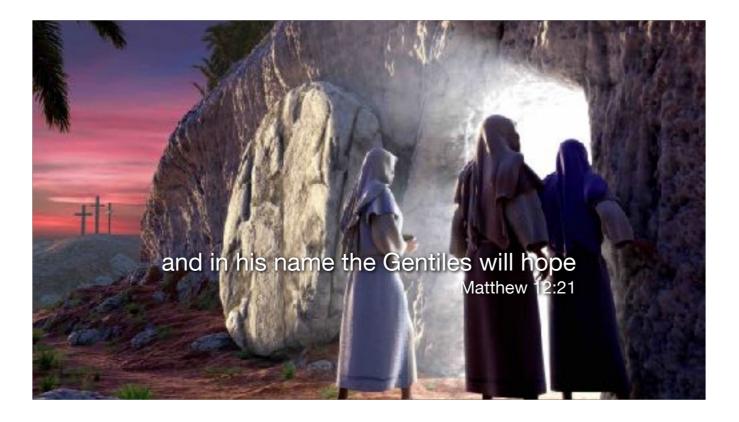
• 24 For in this hope we were saved.



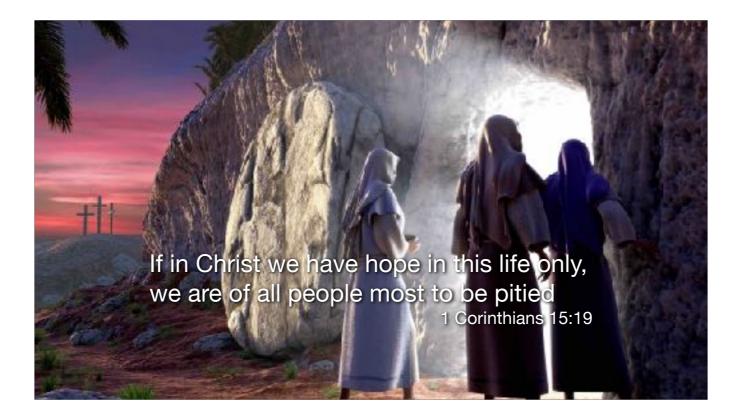
- Now hope that is seen is not hope.
  - For who hopes for what he sees?
  - 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.



• Acts 26:6-8 (ESV) 6 And now I stand here on trial because of my hope in the promise made by God to our fathers, 7 to which our twelve tribes hope to attain, as they earnestly worship night and day. And for this hope I am accused by Jews, O king! 8 Why is it thought incredible by any of you that God raises the dead?



Matthew 12:21 and in his name the Gentiles will hope."



- 1 Corinthians 15:12-14 (ESV) 12 Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. 14 And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain.
- 1 Corinthians 15:17-19 (ESV) 17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.





Genesis 12:1-3 (ESV) 1 Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 2 And I will
make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors
you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."



• Acts 3:25-26 (ESV) 25 You are the sons of the prophets and of the covenant that God made with your fathers, saying to Abraham, And in your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed.' 26 God, having raised up his servant, sent him to you first, to bless you by turning every one of you from your wickedness."



• Galatians 3:8-9 (ESV) 8 And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "In you shall all the nations be blessed." 9 So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.



Romans 4:16-25 (ESV) 16 That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, 17 as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. 18 In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." 19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. 20 No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21 fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. 22 That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." 23 But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, 24 but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, 25 who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20

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