

Shiloh Chapel Ministries – **ADVENT 2019: Preparing Ourselves for Christmas**

Sunday, December 01, 2019

1st Sunday of Advent: Where is Your HOPE?

Yakhal / *Hope*

- we'll explore how biblical hope looks to _____ as a basis for trusting that the future will be better than the present.

HOPE means _____

- ² The people walking in darkness have seen a _____ on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. Isaiah 9:2 (NIV)

HOPE in Psalm 42 (and 43) – our main text

1. He _____ for _____

- 2: “As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God. My soul _____ for the living God.
- He is not thirsting mainly for _____ from his enemies or for their destruction – He _____

2. He remembers past _____

- 4: “*These things I _____ as I pour out my soul: how I would go with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God with glad shouts and songs of praise, a multitude keeping festival.*”
- He is confirming his faith in the midst of turmoil and discouragement by remembering how real God was in _____

3. He _____ to his own _____

- Verse 5: “*Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? _____ for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.*”
- We must learn to preach the _____ to ourselves

4. He affirms _____

- 8: “By day the Lord commands his _____ and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.”
- And even though he says it looks as if God has forgotten him, he never stops believing in the _____ over all his adversity.

5. He asks God _____

- 9: “*I say to God, my rock: _____ have you forgotten me? Why do I go mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?*”
- What he means is that, it _____ God has forgotten him. It _____ as if God has forgotten him.

6. He _____

- 8: “By day the Lord commands his steadfast love, and *at night* _____ *is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.*”
- This is a _____ song and _____ song — a song “to the God of my life.” That is, a song pleading for his _____

HOPE in Romans 8

Paul’s HOPE was in _____

- ²⁴ For in this _____ we were _____
- Therefore:
- ²⁸ And we know that in _____ God works for the _____ of those who _____ him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Our HOPE is _____

- Is _____ your _____
- Your _____ hope?
- _____ on Jesus:
- Through _____
- Through _____
- Through _____
- Through _____

¹³ *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.* Romans 15.13