

Got Hope?

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Introduction:

What is hope?

Hope: To trust in, wait for, look for, or desire something or someone; or to expect something beneficial in the future.

Main Points: Hope is expecting, waiting and trusting

1. Expecting

- **tiqvâh** tik-vaw'; literally a cord (as an attachment); figuratively, **expectancy**:— expectation(-ted), hope, the thing that I long for.
 - The Jews were expecting / anticipating the Day of the Lord; Christians await the second coming

2. Waiting

- **qâvâh**, kaw-vaw'; a primitive root; to bind together (perhaps by twisting), i.e. collect; (figuratively) to gather (together), look, patiently, tarry, **wait** (for, on, upon).
 - Regarding the second coming, Jesus tells his followers to keep watch and pay attention to certain signs

3. Trusting

- The basis of this hope lies in God.
 - as Saviour -- 1 Tim. 4:10; 5:5; Rom. 15:12; 1 Pet. 1:21)
- Hope is, based upon the character and nature of God, who has proven himself faithful.
 - Psalm 33.16 ff.

Conclusion:

- we wait expectantly. persevering in faith because
- we trust God and His promises
- As long as we've got Jesus, we got hope.