

'Tis The Season Part 2: Hopelessly Hopeful

*"Where then is my **hope**? Who can see any **hope** for me?" Job 17:13 NIV*

*"Command those who are rich [everyone of us says that's someone else] 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." 1 Timothy 6:17 NIV*

*"May God, **the source of hope**, fill you with joy and peace through your faith in Him. Then you'll overflow with hope..." Romans 15:13 GWT*

1. God's presence.

*"Find rest, O my soul, in God alone; **my hope comes from him.**" Psalm 62:5 NIV*

*"Those who hope in the Lord will **renew their strength**. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31 NIV*

2. God's promise.

*"My soul faints with longing for your salvation, **but I have put my hope in your word.**" Psalm 119:81 NIV*

*"Yet this I call to mind and **therefore I have hope**: Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." Lamentations 3:21-23 NIV*

3. God's process.

*"And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering **produces** perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope." Romans 5:2-4 NIV*

*"And we know that **in all things** God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28 NIV*

4. God's purpose.

*"The purposes of a person's heart are **deep waters**, but one who has insight **draws them out.**"
Proverbs 20:5 NIV*

*"For I know the **plans** I have for you," declares the LORD, "**plans** to prosper you and not to harm you, **plans** to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11 NIV*

5. God's place.

*"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare **a place for you.**"
John 14:1-2 NIV*

*"God has reserved for His children the priceless gift of **eternal life**; it is kept in heaven for you... And God, in His mighty power, will make sure that you get there safely to receive it because you are trusting Him... So be truly glad! There is wonderful joy ahead, even though the going is rough for a while down here." 1 Peter 1:4-6 LB*