



We invite you to take the content of our Sunday Morning worship hour, and discuss with a friend, your family, or your LIFEgroup each week. This is meant to be a guide for your discussions and can be used as a launching point or complete study outline. Feel free to choose all, many or even just one that will work best for your LIFEgroup.

SUMMARY.

We cannot have true Hope without the Holy Spirit.

We need the Holy Spirit in order to have true Hope and Strength for Living.

We are weary, disappointed, troubled, and lacking hope for the future.

We are lacking a key piece of armor because we haven't made it a regular/daily practice to go straight to the source.

Biblical Hope is not a wish, it is a Confident Expectation of Good, because of our Faith in Him.

So, we need to get back to the source. We can't just decide to have faith, because that's a fruit of The Spirit.

Faith/Hope bring Strength, but this only comes from living in the Presence of The Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit brought Hope Fulfilled in Jesus, produces the fruit of Faith(fullness) which is directly connected to Hope, and Those who wait upon/hope in The Lord will renew their strength

A SCRIPTURE TO READ.

Luke 1

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you." Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end." "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

Hebrews 10:23

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Isaiah 40:31 but 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.



B QUESTIONS TO ASK.

What is God speaking to you about?
What is He calling you to do about it?

We would love to hear your highlights from this discussion so please email us at
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C APPLICATION AND CHALLENGE.

1 How have you felt the presence of The Holy Spirit in your life?

2 If the constant presence of The Holy Spirit is the main source of faith and hope, what practices, rhythms, and intentional actions should we include in our lives?

3 What are some areas of life you are experiencing "dry bones" or in need of a fresh breath of The Holy Spirit?
Take some time to pray over each member of your group.