



Review: Live in the Hope of Christmas



Favorite Hope Verses



Psa 71:5 For You are my hope, O Lord GOD; You are my trust from my youth.

Rom 5:5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

Heb 6:19 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil,

1 Pet 3:15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear







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We light an Advent candle each Sunday leading up to Christmas to prepare our hearts by 1. renewing our hope, 2. growing our love, 3. rejoicing in Christ, and 4. finding rest and peace.

Christmas Advent Candle 1 was HOPE: Prophecy Gives Hope

Christmas Advent Candle 2 is LOVE: God's Promises Give Hope







Remember the Promises that Reveal God's Love

Don't allow the busyness of the season to control your thoughts, direct your time, and steal your heart. Take a minute to pause and think on the truly important things. Philippians 4 tells us what those things are: "the things that are true, honest, just, pure and lovely." Summed up in one word…think on Jesus. Jesus reveals God's love.

John 3:16-17 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

Ponder the Christmas promises and stand in awe of our amazing God. Consider all the promises God made in his Word–including those that we are yet to receive. Think on these things as we approach Christmas and remember the great love of our God who abundantly gives grace to His children.





God's Promises Reveal His Love

God promised: A Seed from a woman — *Genesis 3:15*

God fulfilled His promise: — Luke 3:23, 38

God promised: A Seed from Abraham — *Genesis 22:18*

God fulfilled His promise: — *Matthew 1:1*

God promised: A Seed through Isaac — *Genesis 21:12*

God fulfilled His promise: — *Luke 3:34*

God promised: Born in Bethlehem, from the tribe of Judah — *Micah 5:2*

God fulfilled His promise: — *Matthew 2:1, Luke 3:33-34*

God promised: From the Family of Jesse & the house of David — *Isaiah 11:1*

God fulfilled His promise: — Luke 3:32, Matthew 1:1

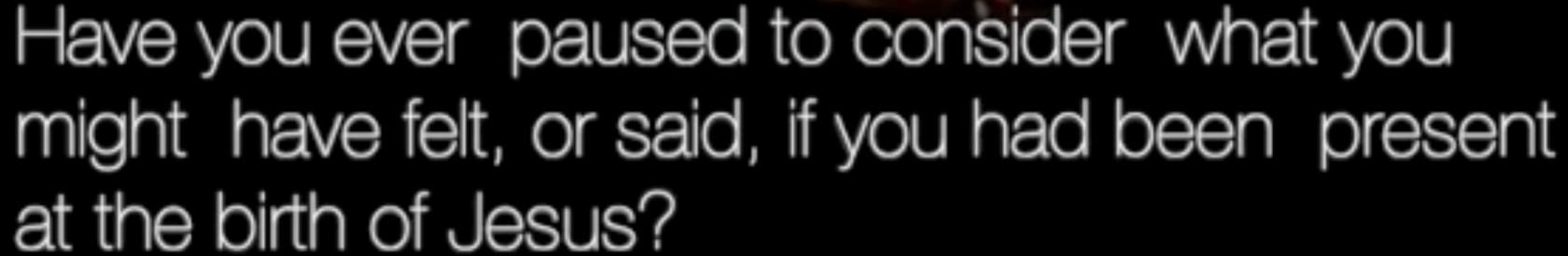
God promised: Born of a virgin — *Isaiah 7:14*

God fulfilled His promise: — Mat 1:18, Mat 1:23, Luke 3:22, 1 Timothy 3:16

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for HE who promised is faithful.

Hebrews 10:23













The Greatest Love Verses

John 3:16-17 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

1 John 4:9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

1 John 4:10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

The promise of the Lord Jesus Christ coming to rescue us brought light into the world and ignited HOPE. Let your HOPE be fueled by His Light and His Love.





