

Youth Camp 2023

7-9 April

FAITH

HOPE

LOVE

*Real, radical
+ revolutionary.*

HOPE

HOPE

*No, not this
sort of hope...*

**I hope the
rain stops...**



HOPE

- Hope is future
- Hope is certain
- Hope is strength

HOPE ?

Fool!
*This night your soul
is required of you...*
(Luke 12:20)



**I am one
successful
man!**

HOPE ?



HOPE

- The one great hope
- The certain hope
- An anchor for the soul

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HOPE

MACEDONIA
Thessalonica

Aegean
Sea

ACHAIA
Corinth

Athens

Antioch

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Mediterranean Sea

Jerusalem

HOPE

Sorrow
without hope

But we do not want you
to be uninformed, brethren,
about those who are asleep,
that you may not grieve
as **others do who have no hope.**

Don't be
ignorant!

Those who have died

(1 Thessalonians 4:13)

HOPE

There is no need
to grieve...

For if we **believe** that Jesus **died** and **rose again**,
even so God will bring with Him
those who sleep in Jesus.

(1 Thessalonians 4:14)

Those who lived and
died with faith in Jesus

HOPE

"This same Jesus"
(Acts 1:11)

The Lord Himself will descend from heaven
with a **shout** of command,
with the **voice** of the archangel,
and with the **trumpet** of God.

And the dead in Christ will rise first.

(1 Thessalonians 4:16)

Those who lived and
died with faith in Jesus

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The dead in Christ
will rise first...

We who are still
alive and who have
faith in Jesus

Then we who are alive, who are left,
will be **caught up** together with them in the clouds
to meet **the Lord** in the air,
and so we will always be with the Lord.

(1 Thessalonians 4:17)

Therefore comfort one another with these words.

(1 Thessalonians 4:18)

HOPE

The day when He comes
to judge and to rule
(Acts 1:11)

The day of the Lord will come **like a thief in the night.**

(1 Thessalonians 5:2)

Suddenly and
without warning

HOPE

Like a thief
in the night...

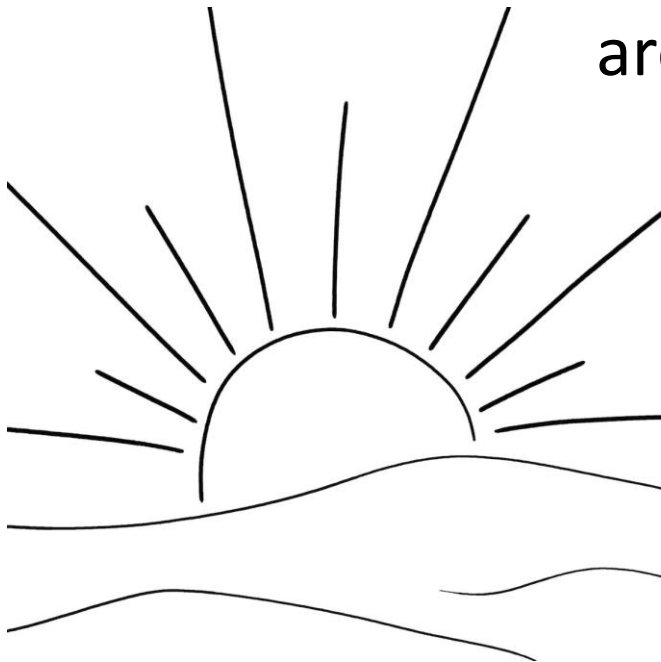
But you, brethren,
are not in darkness...

(1 Thessalonians 5:4)

Self control,
making wise choices

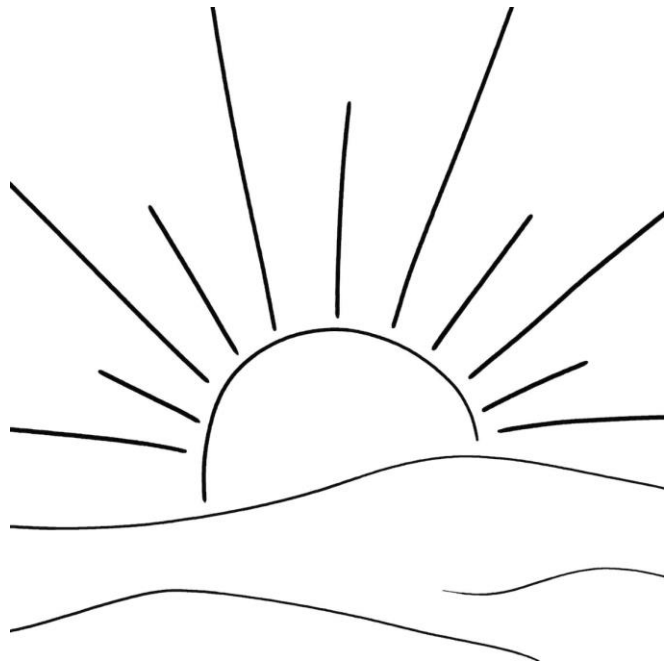
Since we belong to the day, let us be sober,
having put on the **breastplate** of **faith** and **love**,
and for a **helmet** the **hope** of salvation.

(1 Thessalonians 5:8)



HOPE

Like a thief
in the night...



Behold! I tell you a mystery.

We shall not all sleep,
but we shall all be changed,
in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye,
at the last trumpet.

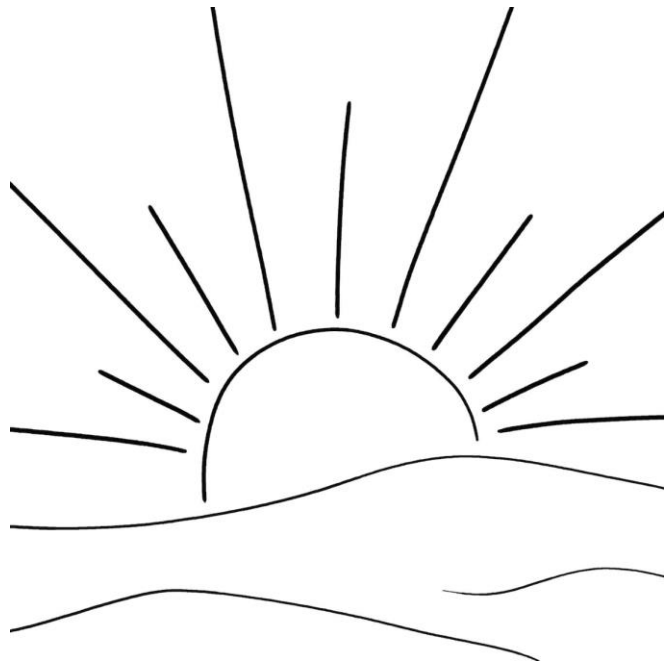
We shall not all die

For **the trumpet will sound**,
and **the dead will be raised** imperishable,
and **we shall be changed**.

(1 Corinthians 15:51-52)

HOPE

Like a thief
in the night...



It will be too late

...then all the tribes of the earth will **mourn**,
and they will see **the Son of Man**
coming on the clouds of heaven
with power and great glory.

And He will send His angels
with a great sound of a trumpet,
and they will gather together **His elect**
from the four winds,
from one end of heaven to the other.

Those who
believe and
follow Him

(Matthew 24:30-31)

HOPE

- The one great hope
- **The certain hope**
- An anchor for the soul

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For since we **believe**
that Jesus **died** and **rose again**,
even so God will bring with Him
those who sleep in Jesus.

If this...

Then this...

(1 Thessalonians 4:14)

HOPE

According to His great mercy,

God has caused us to be **born again to a living hope**

through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...

(see 1 Peter 1:3-5)

An inheritance that is
imperishable, undefiled,
and unfading

HOPE

The thief comes only

- to **steal**
- to **kill** and
- to **destroy**.

I have come that they may have **life**,
and that they may have it **abundantly**.

What life is this?

(John 10:10)

More than
we can know
in this brief life



HOPE

- The one great hope
- The certain hope
- **An anchor for the soul**

This hope
we have as an anchor of the soul,
both sure and steadfast
and **which enters behind the veil...**

(Hebrews 6:19)



HOPE

Paul:

“The Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city
that **imprisonment and afflictions await me.**”

(Acts 20:23)

I am ready not only to be imprisoned,
but also to die in Jerusalem
for the name of the Lord Jesus.

(Acts 21:13)

This hope we have as an anchor of the soul...



Pastor Sprayed with Acid in Ambush in Kampala, Uganda

December 30, 2022 By Our East Africa Correspondent

NAIROBI, Kenya (Morning Star News) – A pastor has lost nearly all his vision after Muslim extremists lured him into an ambush in Uganda’s capital city and sprayed him with acid, sources said. Pastor Frank Mutabaazi of Mbarara can see only dimly out of one eye and has trouble eating and talking due to the burns [...]

Blast at Baptism Service in DR Congo Kills 14 Christians Islamic State affiliate suspected in bombing of church.

By Our East Africa Correspondent

NAIROBI, Kenya, January 23, 2023 (Morning Star News) – Muslim militants were suspected in the bombing of a Protestant church baptism service in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) that killed at least 14 worshippers on Jan. 15, officials said.



While DRC officials said at least 14 died and 63 were wounded in the blast in Kasindi, in the eastern DRC, a spokesman for Uganda’s military operations in the DRC, Bilal Katamba, reportedly said it killed 16 people

Sikh in India Leads Pastor into Knife Attack

Church leader works as taxi driver.

November 6, 2022 By Our Southern India Correspondent - Leave a Comment

HYDERABAD, India (Morning Star News) – A Christian pastor in northern India who drives a taxi for a living didn’t think he had anything to fear when a well-mannered Sikh asked him to take a slight detour.

Pastor Sukhdev Mark, 47, had dropped him off the previous night at a hotel in Ambala, Haryana state after picking him up from a *gurdwara*, or Sikh place of worship. During their conversation, Pastor Mark gave him a gospel tract, which the Sikh politely



Muslim Relatives Kill Pastor for His Faith Widow, children fear for their lives.

By Our East Africa Correspondent

NAIROBI, Kenya, March 28, 2023 (Morning Star News) – Muslim relatives of a pastor in eastern Uganda took him from his home and killed him for his faith this month, sources said.



Pastor Adinani Bulwa had fled Muslim opposition in northern Uganda

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This hope we have
as an anchor of the soul...

200 million Christians
persecuted in 105 countries*

1 killed every 5 minutes*

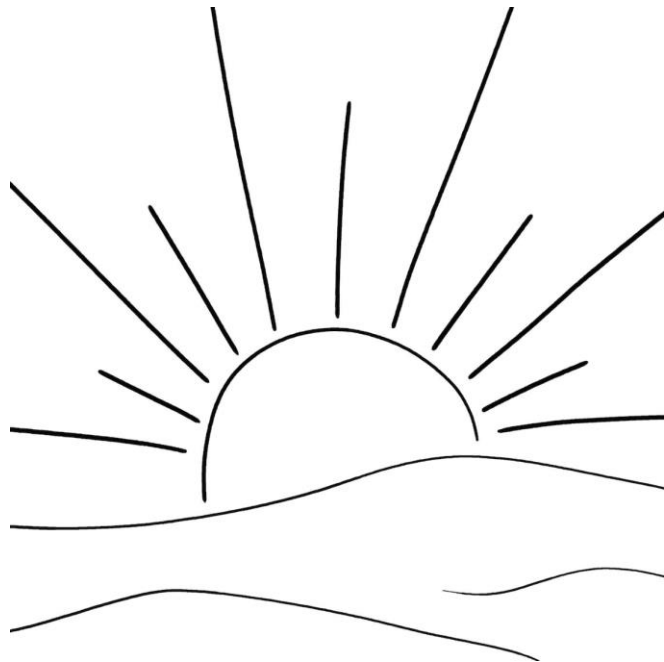
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HOPE

Like a thief
in the night...



“Surely I am coming soon.”

Amen.

Come, Lord Jesus!

(Revelation 22:20)