



Faith

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So now

faith, **hope**, and **love** abide,
these three;

God is love

but the greatest of these is love.

(1 Corinthians 13:13)

Always to be a part
of a disciple's life
in this world

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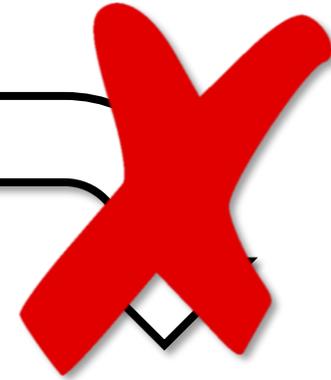
❖ Why faith?

REASON #1

Saved by what I do? **NO, NEVER!**

I get there by what I do and by what I am

*All have **sinned** and **fall short**
of the glory of God...*



I am here



Acceptance
by God

...and are **justified by His grace** as a gift,
through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus...

I get there by what Jesus did and by who He is



Saved by faith in Jesus? **YES, NO OTHER WAY!**

(See Romans 3:23-24)

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❖ Why faith?

REASON #2

A matter of
the heart

We walk by **faith**,

Our natural
senses

not by sight.
(2 Corinthians 5:7)



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Concerning HOPE...

- ❖ What is this hope?
- ❖ An **earthly** and a **heavenly** hope
- ❖ The value of godly hope
- ❖ The evidence of a heavenly hope
- ❖ **Faith** and **hope**
- ❖ **Our earthly hope**
- ❖ **Our heavenly hope**
- ❖ Conclusion 

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What is this hope?

This hope is simply
what's **preferred**,
but it is **uncertain**.



A Biblical example:

I hope to come to you soon, but I am writing these things to you so that, if I delay...

(1 Timothy 3:14-15)

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What is this hope?

**This hope is certain.
You can confidently
expect it to happen.**

The sun
shall soon rise

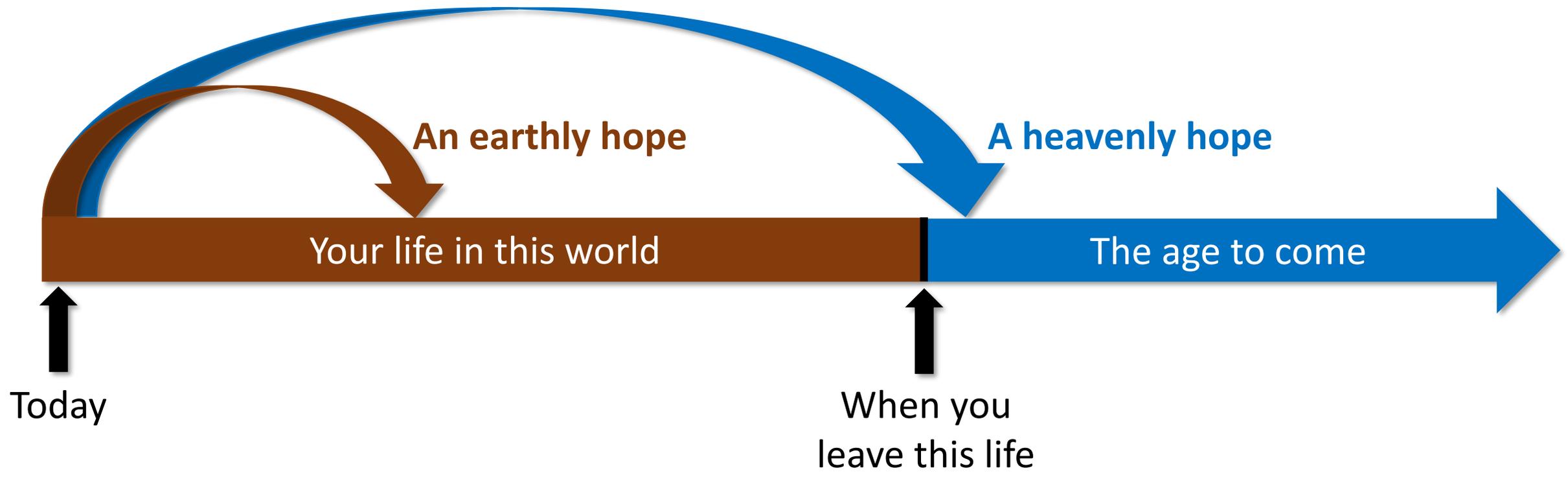


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An earthly and a heavenly hope

Hope – the confident expectation of something still in the future.



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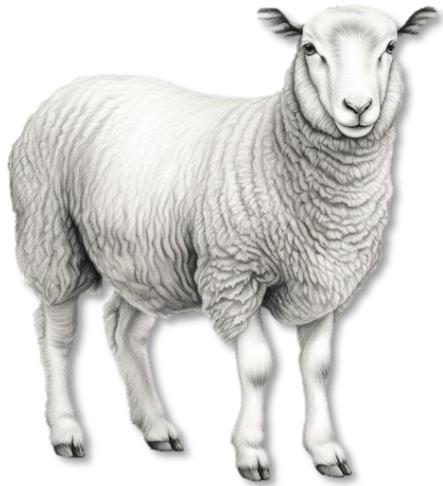


An earthly and a heavenly hope

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

(Psalm 23:1, 6)

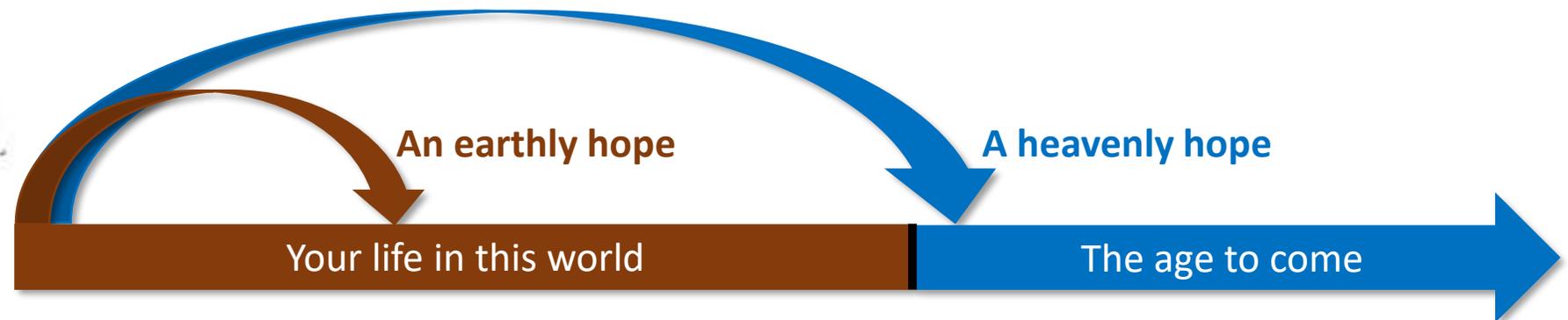


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If in Christ we have hope **in this life only**,
we are of all people most to be pitied.
(1 Corinthians 15:19)



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An earthly and a heavenly 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.

(1 Thessalonians 4:13)

Ignorant, without
understanding

Who have already died

No hope beyond this life



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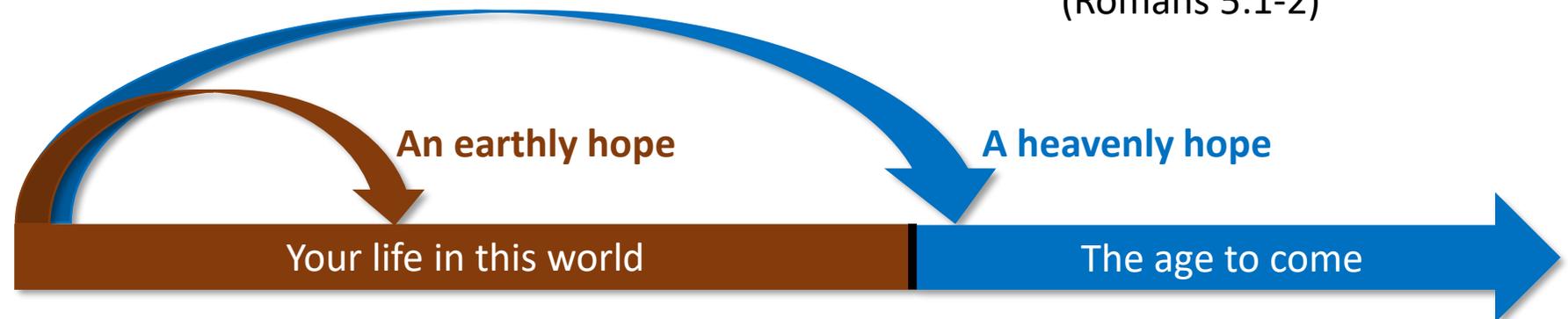
Therefore, **since** we have been justified **by faith**, we have **peace** with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Salvation is sure because it was accomplished by the Lord Jesus.

Through Him we have also

- ✓ obtained access **by faith** into this **grace in which we stand**, and
- ✓ we rejoice **in hope of the glory of God**.

(Romans 5:1-2)



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The value of godly hope

...we rejoice in our **sufferings**,
knowing that

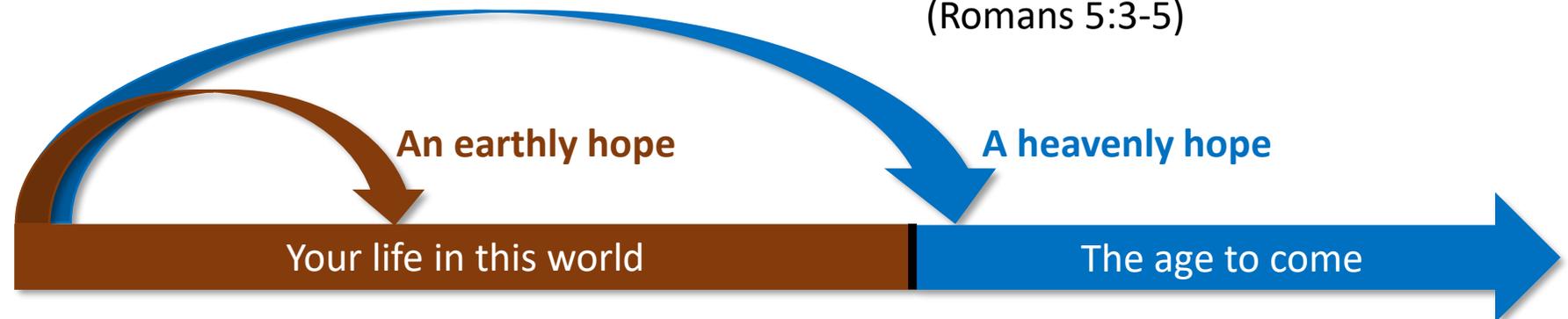
...this light affliction...
(2 Corinthians 4:17)

Good character,
a transformed life

- ✓ **suffering** produces **endurance**, and
- ✓ **endurance** produces **character**, and
- ✓ **character** produces **hope**,

and **hope** does not put us to shame,
because **God's love** has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

(Romans 5:3-5)



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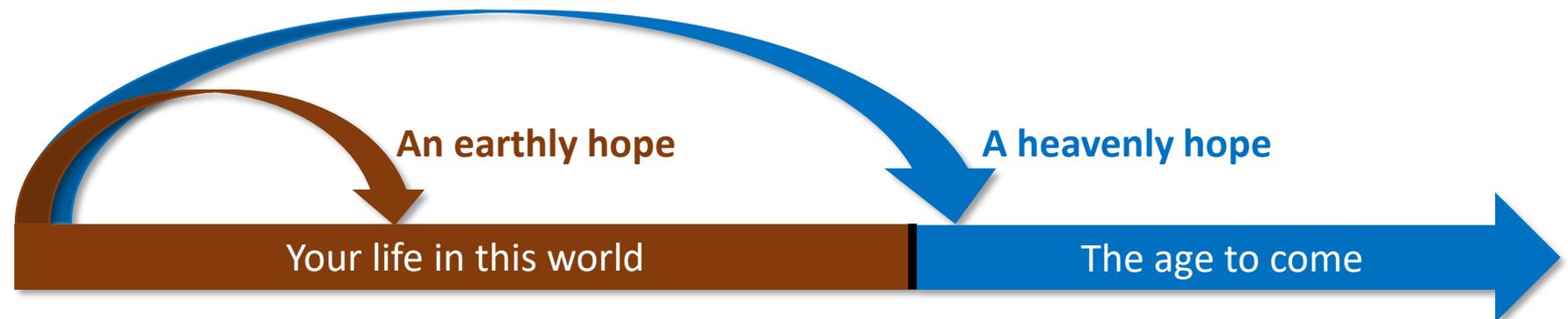


The value of godly hope

It holds us through the storms of life

We have this [*hope*] as **a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul**,
a **hope** that enters into the inner place behind the curtain,
where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf...
(Hebrews 6:19-20)

Into the very presence of God



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The value of godly hope

The day, not the night,
light, not darkness

But 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**. } **Protection** in
life's battles
(1 Thessalonians 5:8)



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The evidence of a heavenly hope

Beloved, **we are God's children now**,
and what we will be has not yet appeared;
but **we know** that **when He appears**
we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is.
And everyone who thus **hopes** in Him
purifies himself as He is pure.

(1 John 3:2-3)

This proves that a
person has this hope



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Faith and Hope

May the God of hope
fill you with

The source of hope

all joy and peace in **believing**,
so that

Real active faith

The means

by the power of the Holy Spirit
you may abound in **hope**.

The goal

(Romans 15:13)

The work of the Holy Spirit in us

The love of God

The foundation

The word of God

The revelation

Living faith

The way

Sure hope

The joy

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Our earthly hope

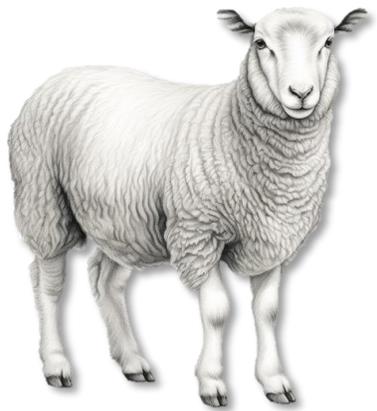
The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want...

He leads me in **paths of righteousness** for His name's sake.

Even though I walk through **the valley of the shadow of death**,
I will fear no evil, for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

(See Psalm 23)



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Our earthly hope

Keep your life free from love of money,
and be content with what you have,
for He has said,

“I will never leave you nor forsake you.”

So we can confidently say,

**“The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear;
what can man do to me?”**

(Hebrews 13:5-6)



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Our earthly hope

Blessed is the man who

- walks **not** in the counsel of the wicked,
- **nor** stands in the way of sinners,
- **nor** sits in the seat of scoffers;

but

- his **delight** is in the law of the LORD, and
- on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree

- planted by streams of water
- that yields its fruit in its season,
- and its leaf does not wither.

In all that he does, he prospers.

(Psalm 1:1-3)

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Our heavenly hope

In my Father's house are many rooms.

If it were not so, would I have told you
that I go to prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you,

I will come again

and will take you to Myself,

that where I am you may be also.

(John 14:2-3)



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“Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.

**“He will dwell with them,
and they will be His people,
and God Himself will be with them as their God.**

“He will wipe away every tear from their eyes,
and death shall be no more,
neither shall there be mourning,
nor crying, nor pain anymore,
for the former things have passed away.”

(Revelation 21:3-4)

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But God, being **rich in mercy**,
because of **the great love** with which He loved us,
even when we were dead in our trespasses,
made us alive together with Christ—
by grace you have been saved—
and raised us up with Him and seated us
with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,
so that in the coming ages
He might show **the immeasurable riches of His grace**
in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

(Ephesians 2:4-7)

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Hope – the confident expectation of something still in the future.

What is your hope?

What do you expect **in this life**?

What do you expect in **the age to come**?



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May **the God of hope**
fill you
with all **joy** and **peace** in believing,
so that
by the power of the Holy Spirit
you may **abound in hope.**

(Romans 15:13)

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