

HOPE IN THE RUT

LESSONS FROM LAODICEA

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Matthew 24:12

And because **iniquity shall abound**, the **love of many shall wax cold**.

Revelation 3:15–16

I **know thy works**, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, **I will spue thee out** of my mouth.

(Rev 2:4, 2:10, 2:14, 2:20, 3:2, 3:11)



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Matthew 24:13

But he that shall **endure unto the end**, the **same shall be saved**.

Revelation 3:19–20

As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: **be zealous therefore, and repent**. Behold, **I stand at the door, and knock**: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

(Rev 2:5, 2:10, 2:16, 2:25, 3:3, 3:11)



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1 Corinthians 9:24

Know ye not that they which **run in a race run all**, but one receiveth the prize? **So run, that ye may obtain.**

Hebrews 12:1-2

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, **let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us**, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, **Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith**; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.



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Matthew 7:26–27

And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, **which built his house upon the sand**: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; **and it fell**: and great was the fall of it.

(1 Kings 18:19-40, 1 Cor 15:19, 1 Tim 6:17, James 4:3)



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Hope (dictionary.com)

The feeling that what is wanted can be had or that events will turn out for the best:

A person or thing in which expectations are centered: The medicine was her last hope.

Hope (Websters 1828)

Confidence in a future event; the highest degree of well-founded **expectation of good**; as a hope founded on God's gracious promises;



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Unfailing hope is found in God alone.

Psalm 28:7–8

The **LORD is my strength and my shield**; my heart **trusted in him, and I am helped**: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him. **The LORD is their strength**, and he is the saving strength of his anointed.

Psalm 33:20–22

Our soul waiteth for the LORD: **he is our help and our shield**. For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name. Let thy mercy, O LORD, be upon us, **according as we hope in thee**.



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Faithful perseverance strengthens hope.

Romans 5:3-5

And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, **hope**. 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.



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Hope is one of God's specialties

Titus 3:4–7

But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, **but according to his mercy he saved us**, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; **Which he shed on us abundantly** through Jesus Christ our Saviour; That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the **hope of eternal life.**



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The offer of Hope isn't just for the lost

Luke 4:18

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to **heal the brokenhearted**, to preach **deliverance to the captives**, and **recovering of sight to the blind**, to **set at liberty them that are bruised**,



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God can do much more than we can imagine.

Ephesians 3:20 (ESV)

Now to him who is able to do **far more abundantly** than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us,

2 Corinthians 9:8 (ESV)

And God **is able** to make all grace abound to you, so that **having all sufficiency in all things at all times**, you may abound in every good work.



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Recalling God's faithfulness restores lost hope.

Lamentations 3:21–23

This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.

It is of **the LORD'S mercies** that we are not consumed, because **his compassions fail not.**

They are **new every morning**: great is thy faithfulness.



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Recalling God's faithfulness restores lost hope.

- **God** forgives all your sins.
- **God** redeems your life from destruction.
- **God** crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies.
- **God** sets you free.
- **God** makes known His ways to you.
- **God** gives you His grace and mercy in times of need.



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- **Trust in God and His provision**
 - (Ps 34:10, Prov 3:5-6, Phil 4:19, Heb 13:5)
- **Thank God in all you do**
 - (Ps 100:4, 1 Thes 5:18, Col 3:17, Eph 5:20)
- **Use prosperity and time for The Lord**
 - (Mt 27:57-60, Eph 4:28, 1 Tim 6:17-19)
- **Keep focused on the eternal**
 - (Mt 6:33-34, Lk 12:13-21, 2 Peter 3:13-14)
- **Remain faithful to The Lord**
 - (Mt 10:32, Mark 10:28-30, Lk 9:62, Heb 3:14)



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For other foundation can no man lay
than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1 Cor 3:11



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