



***“BUT FOR HIM WHO IS
JOINED TO ALL THE LIVING
THERE IS **HOPE**”
(Ecc 9:4)***

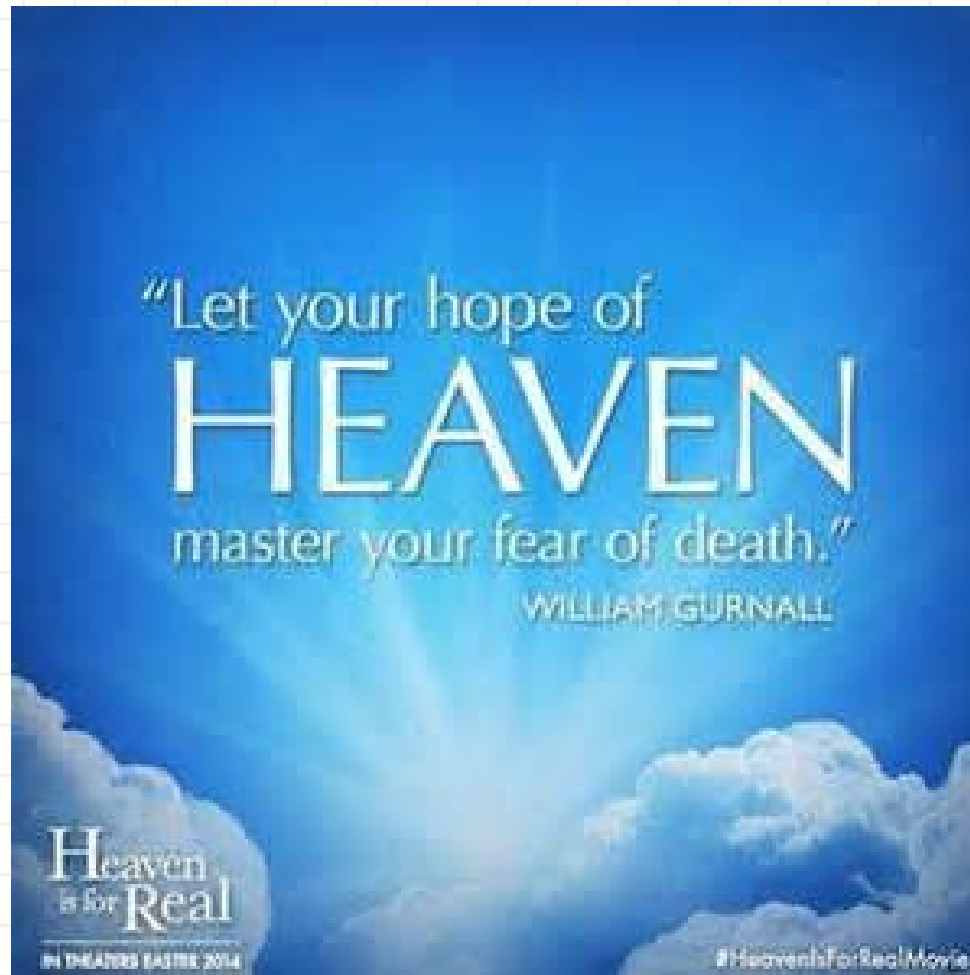
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- ❖ Hope for Answering Prayers
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The Concept

- ❖ This verse means that as far as you are still breathing, there is hope for you to enter heaven.



The Concept

❖ Litany of the Gospel: *“Remember also, O our Master, all those who have bidden us to remember them in our supplications...for You are the life of us all, the salvation of us all, the **hope of us all**, the healing of us all and the resurrection of us all.”*

- ❖ Do not rely on yourself
- ❖ We are weak physically, emotionally, and spiritually.
- ❖ The Lord is the only one who can make a change.



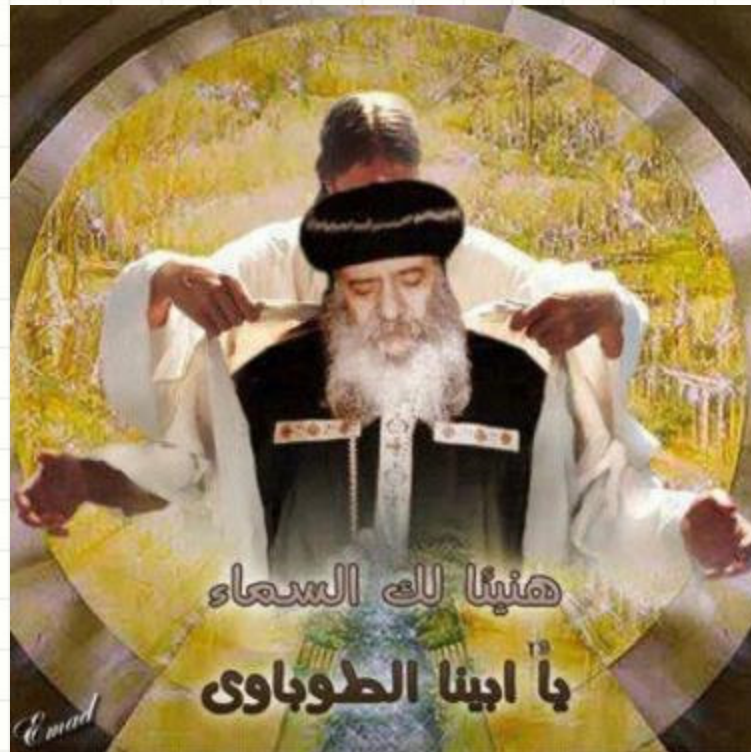
The Concept

- ❖ A monk who never judged



The Concept

- ❖ 1 Cor 15: 19 *"If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable".*
- ❖ Focusing only on hoping for our problems to be solved or our sicknesses to be healed or our ambitions to be achieved"



The Concept

- ❖ **1 Peter 1: 13** *“Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ”*
- ❖ Coming from someone who needed hope
- ❖ Like a kid meeting his parent after school asking to to be held
- ❖ What if the kid does not ask for help?



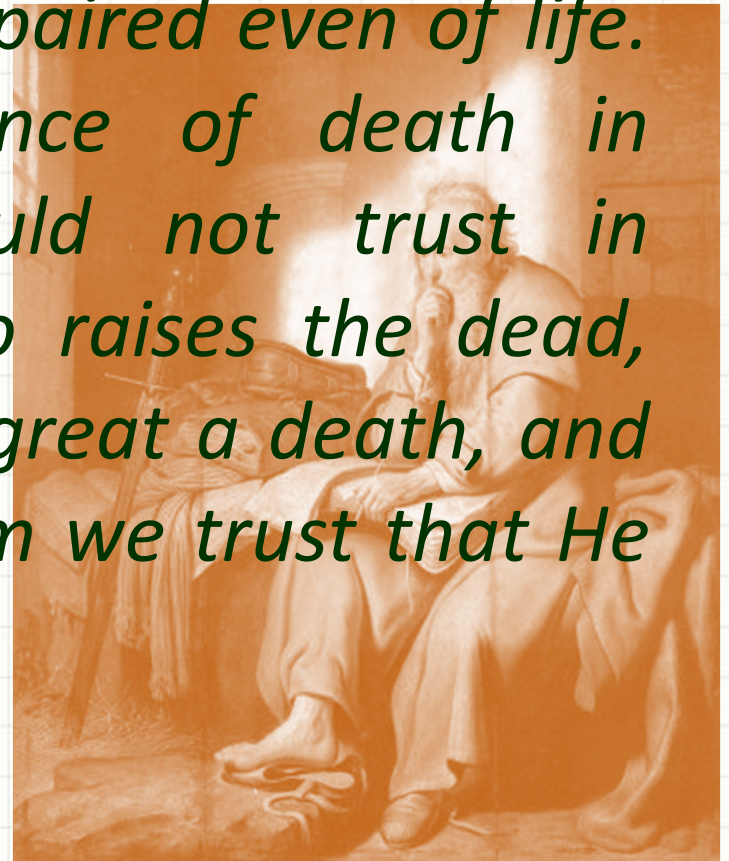
The Concept

- ❖ **Lamentations 3: 24** *“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, Therefore I hope in Him!”*
- ❖ *Story of the church janitor who had liver cancer*



Hope for the Future

- ❖ Tomorrow is usually a source of questions and sometimes anxiety!
- ❖ **2 Cor 1: 8-11** *“we were burdened beyond measure.... so that we despaired even of life. Yes, we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves but in God who raises the dead, who delivered us from so great a death, and does[a] deliver us; in whom we trust that He will still deliver us...”*
- ❖ Remember and do not fear



Hope for Unbelievers

- ❖ **Romans 10: 14-15** *“How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!”*
- ❖ Do not be shy to act and talk in godly manner
- ❖ Think of St. Zacchaeus
- ❖ Think of St. Matthew



Hope for Those Drifted Away

- ❖ A story of someone who repented after 30 years of leaving the faith
- ❖ Be careful approaching and treating those who have an ungodly appearance, even in your mind



Hope for Those Drifted Away

- ❖ **Jonah 1: 1-2** *"Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, 2 "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it; for their wickedness has come up before Me."*
- ❖ **Jonah 3: 1-2** *"Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying, 2 "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you."*



Hope while in Depressing Cond.

- ❖ Christ called to heal Jairus's daughter
- ❖ Along the way met the bleeding woman
- ❖ Healed, looked for and talked to her
- ❖ Informed that the daughter died
- ❖ Went ahead to raise her up
- ❖ Thoughts that came to his mind?



Hope for Answering Prayers

- ❖ **2 Peter 3:9** *“The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us,[a] not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.”*
- ❖ Need to take a look from above to see a clear picture



Wait

❖ **Psalm 27:14** *“Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord!”*



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