

THE ONE HOPE.

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INTRO.:

A. Read the text: **Jeremiah 17:7-8**.

B. Regarding the text:

1. In what or in whom do we put our trust (**Psalms 33:18-20**)?
 - 1) Our hope must not be in some person. (**Psalms 146:3; Jeremiah 17:5; Micah 7:5-7**).
 - 2) Our hope is based on our faith (**1 Peter 3:15**).
2. Real hope puts death in a calm perspective (**Proverbs 14:32**).
3. Hope is enduring (**1 Corinthians 13:8-13**).

I. AMONG “THE SEVEN ONES”, WE FIND ONE HOPE (EPH. 4:1-6)

A. In a time of Judah’s punishment for their transgressions, we see how hopelessness can be replaced with hope (**Lamentations 3:1-26**).

1. Bad situations can cause hopelessness (**Acts 27:13-20**).
2. Faith in God’s promises can give hope in difficult situations (**Rom. 8:28; 2 Tim. 1:12**).
3. Hold on to your hope (**Heb. 3:6**).

B. Our hope is not in this world (**Titus 2:11-14; Titus 3:7**).

1. The promise of the resurrection gives hope (**1 Peter 1:3-5**).
 - 1) Thankfully, we are not like those with no hope (**1 Thess. 4:13-17**).
 - 2) At the resurrection, our hope will be realized (**1 Thess. 4:18**).
2. Don’t fall for misguided hope.
 - 1) Don’t believe false messengers that get your hopes up in things that are not true (**Jude 1:13; 2 Peter 2:17-19**).
 - 2) Put your hope and trust in the right place (**Psalms 20:7-9**).

II. HOPE IS THE ANCHOR OF THE SOUL (HEB. 6:17-20).

A. The book of Hebrews was written to encourage Christians to remain faithful to Christ.

1. Chapter 6 records that some had already fallen away.
 - 1) **Vs. 9**: The writer was persuaded of better things regarding his listeners.
 - 2) **Vs. 11**: He encourages them to “shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope *unto the end*.”
 - 3) **Vs. 17-19**: Our hope is anchored in heaven where Christ has entered to sit on the right hand of the throne of God.
2. Promises that never fail.

B. Our hope is in His promise to save the obedient. (**Heb. 5:9; 1 Pet. 1:22**).

C. This anchor can hold us in place – ready for judgment!

III. CONCLUSION:

A. Remember, among other things, we are saved by proper hope (**Romans 8:24-25**).

B. Thank the Lord for the hope that holds us in place.