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Year of Hope - Romans 15:13

Points

- “Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” – Matthew 6:21
- Romans 15:13 - ¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- “Hope is the anticipation of good that has not yet arrived.” – Dallas Willard.
- May the God of hope...
- ... fill you...
- God wants something for you, not something from you.
- ... with all joy and peace...
- Chara = joy; Charis = grace.
- Heavenly Father, God of all hope, fill us with joy and peace. Amen.
- ... as you trust in him...
- ...as you faith in him...
- Make a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God...
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LIFE GROUP GUIDE

Starter Question: Describe a time in your life you felt the need for hope. How did hope eventually enter your life?

1. Read Romans 15:13
2. In your opinion, what blocks people from embracing God as a God of hope?
3. Romans 15:13 teaches us that God wants to fill us with joy and peace. In your opinion, do most people want this filling? Why or why not?
4. How would you advise someone to actively trust God? What would you encourage them to do or stop doing?
5. Share about a time when you felt the power of the Holy Spirit. Did that experience fill you with hope?