

APPLICATION QUESTIONS
Applying this message to everyday life

1. In your experience, what keeps people from spiritually maturing?
What do you do to keep on growing in the faith?

2. If you've gone through a recent storm, what kept you anchored to Christ? For the next storm you face, what will keep you anchored?

3. In this life we have much to hope for; greater assets, better health, children who grow into adults, affordable retirement, etc. How do you keep temporal hope from getting in the way of eternal hope?

4. Spend time together encouraging and praying for one another and specifically that each other may continue to mature spiritually.

A Better Way
#595 – Hope, An Anchor for the Soul
Hebrews 6:13-20

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Hope, An Anchor for the Soul

Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath. God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure...

Hebrews 6:17-19

Believers must go on to maturity and God has made it _____ for us to do so.

God's promises do not depend on our character but on His _____.

The assurance of our salvation is guaranteed by God's _____ and God's _____.

We have fled to Jesus Christ, and He is our eternal _____.

Jesus has gone into the true sanctuary and into the very _____ of God on our behalf.

We are not promised there won't be any _____; indeed, the provision of a secure _____ implies there will be.

Christian hope is _____ to the time when God will complete the work He began in Christ Jesus and make the world anew.

Christian faith is _____, through thick and thin, in _____ who made unbreakable promises.

The believer who neglects church _____, ignores their _____, and forgets to _____ is not going to reap much of a harvest.

GETTING-TO-KNOW-ME QUESTIONS

Sharing time to get your group started

- A. What do you miss most about your childhood?

- B. What do you have in your purse or wallet that best describes your personality?

- C. Can you think of any promise which has been made to you but never fulfilled? How does this make you feel?

LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK – DIGGING DEEPER

Jot down a brief answer to the following four questions

Quick Review

1. Reflecting on this week's sermon, is there any principle or insight that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?

2. Genesis 12 starts the story of God's promised legacy to Abraham. Without child at age 75, God promised that he would become the father of many nations. At age 100 God fulfilled this promise. Describe what it must have been like for Abraham to wait. What sin did he commit while waiting?

3. Read Psalm 33:20-22 which declares we wait in hope, we trust His holy name and we put our hope in Him. In a practical way, what does it mean to you to "wait in hope" and to "trust His holy name."

4. Some might be confused that God swore an oath to Abraham and yet Jesus (Sermon on the Mount) said that one should never swear. How do you reconcile God's action with His teaching regarding swearing?