

Sermon Notes

August 20, 2017 -- Luke 4:14-21

Ask The Pastor Anything:

Hope, Healing and the Reality of it All

How should we view hope today and is it okay to hope for healing miracles?

- The two kinds of Hope are for the _____ and for _____.
 - It is our _____ in Jesus that gives us a hope for an _____ future.
 - Each day the _____ walks with us through all our days. We are not _____.
- Should we hope for healing miracles today? _____!
 1. God may _____ healing or not _____ healing for reasons we cannot _____.
 2. God gives us the _____ to live as we choose and our _____ dictate how we might function in this lifetime.
 3. A lifestyle of _____ can be blocking the healing we desire.

How should we deal with relatives that have been toxic to you?

- Pray for _____ in how to deal with the person.
- Pray for _____ in why they are the way they are.
- Pray for the _____ they need to overcome what causes them to be in such pain.

You pray for your them as they are a child of _____
_____ to God.

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Our Hope and Action

MONDAY – Hebrews 6:9-12

The writer of Hebrews begins to focus in on what is important, and first and foremost is our salvation in Jesus as this has eternal consequences.

- What will God not forget about believers? How are you working and loving his people and helping them to grow?
- Our hope is displayed in our actions to help ourselves and others to know, love, and serve God. What one thing you can do today to show hope?

Panting for God

TUESDAY – Psalm 42:1-6

Throughout time people have had moments where hope seems to wane. In those moment or while in the midst of it, the Psalmist shows what we can do.

- The psalmist in the first two verses has sets their eye on God how? Sometimes we need to simply desire, pant, thirst for God first when we are down.
- What does the psalmist do when their soul is downcast? Remember our hope and choosing to praise God is always uplifting to the soul. Praise God today.

Thanking God Daily

WEDNESDAY – James 5:13

James has packed these verses with great reminders of how we can live. Let's look at how we can order our lives in good and bad times.

- James says we should do what when we are in trouble? We should do this all the time, not just when in trouble. When doing well what does James tell us to do? Thank God today each time when things go well or when they don't.

Prayer of the Righteous

THURSDAY – James 5:14-16

James talks about healing prayers for the sick by elders of the church. Elders were leaders who were totally committed to Jesus & the success of the church.

- What did the elder do? How was the prayer offered to God? What does this suggest about the Elder's relationship with God the Father and Son?
- Continue giving praise to God each time something goes well today.

Living Daily in Freedom

FRIDAY – James 5:14-15

A prayer of faith is trusting in what God will do for the one who is sick. Notice that sickness or healing can be either physical or relational.

- Notice God wants us to come to him when sick or in sin. James says healing of sin is important for us in our relationship with God. Take time to confess any sin you have or after it occurs today that you might be forgiven.

Praying for Each Other

SATURDAY – James 5:16

James says we should confess our sins to each other and pray that we may be healed. Realize healing is not just for you to God, but for you to others too.

- Why do you think it is important to confess your sin to another? In part it is to help us for accountability in our spiritual lives. Who might be someone to whom you could become more accountable for your life with God?