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Matthew 1:18-25

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the best, most God-glorifying future. It is a state of healthy **a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** about

a better future.

**Three reasons to be filled with HOPE:**

1. Our hope is in a **p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**, not optimism.

2. Our hope is in a **p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**, not possibilities.

3. Our hope is **s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**, not soul-destroying.

**Four-Part Progression:**

1. Look up at Jesus’ **p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of hope

2. Look down at our **s\_\_\_\_\_** of despair

3. **E\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** the Gospel applied to the sin of despair

4. **E\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** God’s hope to others

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**Three reasons to be filled with HOPE:**

1. Our hope is in a **person**, not optimism.

2. Our hope is in a **promise**, not possibilities.

3. Our hope is **soul-sustaining**, not soul-destroying.

**Four-Part Progression:**

1. Look up at Jesus’ **perfection** of hope

2. Look down at our **sin** of despair

3. **Experience** the Gospel applied to the sin of despair

4. **Extend** God’s hope to others