

A HOPE THAT WILL NOT DISAPPOINT



ROMANS 5:1-5

**I. Because we were justified
by faith, we stand in grace
and rejoice in hope
(Romans 5:1-2).**



- **What all had to happen so sinful man could have peace and hope?**
- **How would you describe your levels of peace and hope?**
- **How would those closest to you describe your peace and your hope?**

II. We rejoice in hope and also in our sufferings that produce endurance (v.2-3).



- **How can we rejoice in our hope as we are rejoicing in our sufferings?**

- **What has to happen for your suffering to produce endurance?**

III. Our suffering produces endurance, then character, then hope (v.3-4).



- **What is so admirable about men and women of proven character?**
- **Why is it so important to have a hope that grows out of proven character?**
- **What will need to change for others to view you as a person of proven character?**

IV. We need to develop a hope that will not bring us shame **(Romans 5:4-5)**.



- Why does a lack of pure hope bring deep shame?
- What will help us develop a pure hope that grows from proven character?

V. God pours out His love through the Spirit to those with this hope (v.5).



- **What does an honorable hope have to do with God's love being poured into us?**

- **How is your hope allowing the Spirit to pour God's love into your heart?**

**Call to Action: To develop
an honorable hope that
receives the love of God.**



- How strong is your assurance of your salvation in Christ?
- How consistently are you rejoicing in hope?
- How are you rejoicing in your maturing trials?
- How deeply do you desire proven Christian character?
- What are you doing so that your lack of hope will not bring you shame?
- Is your hope allowing God to pour love into your heart?

-How can we help?