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ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

Sunday, April 16 at 4 PM in the Worship Center



HOPE IN VAIN VS. HOPE IN GOD

Jeremiah 21-23

JEREMIAH 29:11 (NIV)

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

RELATIONSHIPS

with Hope Heals



Enjoy dinner as we spend extra time with *Hope Heals* authors Katherine and Jay Wolf!

FRIDAY, APRIL 14
6:30 - 8:30 PM | Worship Center

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THREE ELEMENTS OF HOPE BY PAUL TRIPP

“Desire: hope is fueled by some type of desire
Desire to be loved, comforted, protected, forgiven.”

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Object: We look to someone or something to fulfill our hope.

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Expectation: Hope carries an expectation of when, how, and where the person or thing will deliver."

1 TIMOTHY 6:17 (NIV)

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain,

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but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us
with everything for our enjoyment.

PSALM 147:11 (ESV)

The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.

ROMANS 15:13 (ESV)

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

LAMENTATIONS 3:24 (ESV)

"The Lord is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in him."

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**MAIN
IDEA**

Hope in vain is centered around what **I want**, but hope in God is centered around what **God wants**.

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, when King Zedekiah sent to him Pashhur the son of Malchiah and Zephaniah

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

the priest, the son of Maaseiah, saying, ² "Inquire of the Lord for us, for Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon is making war against us.

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

Perhaps the Lord will deal with us according to all his wonderful deeds and will make him withdraw from us."

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

³ Then Jeremiah said to them: "Thus you shall say to Zedekiah,

⁴ 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel:

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that are in your hands
and with which you are fighting against the king of Babylon

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

and against the Chaldeans who are besieging you outside the walls.
And I will bring them together into the midst of this city.

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

5 I myself will fight against you with outstretched hand and strong arm, in anger and in fury and in great wrath.

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

⁶ And I will strike down the inhabitants of this city,
both man and beast. They shall die of a great pestilence.

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

7 Afterward, declares the Lord, I will give Zedekiah king of Judah and his servants and the people in this city who survive the pestilence,

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

sword, and famine into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar
king of Babylon and into the hand of their enemies,

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

into the hand of those who seek their lives.
He shall strike them down with the edge of the sword.

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

He shall not pity them or spare them or have compassion.'

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

8 "And to this people you shall say: 'Thus says the Lord: Behold, I set before you the way of life and the way of death.

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

9 He who stays in this city shall die by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence, but he who goes out and surrenders to the Chaldeans

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

who are besieging you shall live and shall have his life as a prize of war.

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

¹⁰ For I have set my face against this city for harm and not for good, declares the Lord:

JEREMIAH 21:1-10 (ESV)

it shall be given into the hand of the king of Babylon,
and he shall burn it with fire.'

1

Hope in God's truth

PSALM 119:114 (ESV)

You are my hiding place and my shield;
I hope in your word.

1

Hope in God's truth

JEREMIAH 21:4 (ESV)

'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel

JEREMIAH 21:5 (ESV)

I myself will fight against you with outstretched hand and strong arm, in anger and in fury and in great wrath.

JEREMIAH 21:8 (ESV)

I set before you the way of life and the way of death.

JEREMIAH 21:9 (ESV)

He who stays in this city shall die by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence, but he who goes out and surrenders to the Chaldeans

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and shall have his life as a prize of war.

APPLICATION QUESTION

Am I putting my hope in what I want or what God wants?

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

Thus says the Lord: "Go down to the house of the king of Judah and speak there this word, ² and say,

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

'Hear the word of the Lord, O king of Judah, who sits on the throne of David, you, and your servants, and your people who enter these

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

gates. ³ Thus says the Lord: Do justice and righteousness, and deliver from the hand of the oppressor him who has been robbed.

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

And do no wrong or violence to the resident alien, the fatherless,
and the widow, nor shed innocent blood in this place.

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

⁴ For if you will indeed obey this word, then there shall enter the gates of this house kings who sit on the throne of David, riding in chariots

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

and on horses, they and their servants and their people.

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

⁵ But if you will not obey these words, I swear by myself,
declares the Lord, that this house shall become a desolation.

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

6 For thus says the Lord concerning the house of the king of Judah:

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

“You are like Gilead to me, like the summit of Lebanon,
yet surely I will make you a desert, an uninhabited city.

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

7 I will prepare destroyers against you, each with his weapons, and they shall cut down your choicest cedars and cast them into the fire.

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

8 “And many nations will pass by this city, and every man will say to his neighbor, “Why has the Lord dealt thus with this great city?”

JEREMIAH 22:1-9 (ESV)

9 And they will answer, "Because they have forsaken the covenant of the Lord their God and worshiped other gods and served them."'"

JAMES 2:14-17 (NIV)

¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them?

JAMES 2:14-17 (NIV)

¹⁵ Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food.

JAMES 2:14-17 (NIV)

¹⁶ If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?

JAMES 2:14-17 (NIV)

¹⁷ In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

JEREMIAH 22:13-19 (ESV)

¹³ "Woe to him who builds his house by unrighteousness,
and his upper rooms by injustice,

JEREMIAH 22:13-19 (ESV)

who makes his neighbor serve him for nothing and does not give him his wages,¹⁴ who says, 'I will build myself a great house

JEREMIAH 22:13-19 (ESV)

with spacious upper rooms,' who cuts out windows for it,
paneling it with cedar and painting it with vermilion.

JEREMIAH 22:13-19 (ESV)

¹⁵ Do you think you are a king because you compete in cedar?
Did not your father eat and drink and do justice and righteousness?

JEREMIAH 22:13-19 (ESV)

Then it was well with him. ¹⁶ He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well. Is not this to know me? declares the Lord.

JEREMIAH 22:13-19 (ESV)

¹⁷ But you have eyes and heart only for your dishonest gain, for shedding innocent blood, and for practicing oppression and violence."

JEREMIAH 22:13-19 (ESV)

¹⁸ Therefore thus says the Lord concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah: "They shall not lament for him, saying,

JEREMIAH 22:13-19 (ESV)

'Ah, my brother!' or 'Ah, sister!' They shall not lament for him,
saying, 'Ah, lord!' or 'Ah, his majesty!'

JEREMIAH 22:13-19 (ESV)

¹⁹ With the burial of a donkey he shall be buried,
dragged and dumped beyond the gates of Jerusalem."

JEREMIAH 22:15 (ESV)

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JEREMIAH 22:15 (ESV)

Did not your father eat and drink and do justice and righteousness?
Then it was well with him.

JEREMIAH 22:16 (ESV)

He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well.
Is not this to know me? declares the LORD.

Vain hope is hoping to build ourselves up
and gain personal prosperity and greatness.
Godly hope is where we hope to do justice and righteousness.

2

Hope to do justice and righteousness

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Is your hope to build power and prosperity
or is your hope to do justice and righteousness?

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

What is something you can do to show the love of Christ and care for those in need this week?

JEREMIAH 23:1-2 (ESV)

“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the Lord.

JEREMIAH 23:1-2 (ESV)

² Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel,
concerning the shepherds who care for my people:

JEREMIAH 23:1-2 (ESV)

"You have scattered my flock and have driven them away,
and you have not attended to them.

JEREMIAH 23:1-2 (ESV)

Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the Lord.

JEREMIAH 23:11 (ESV)

Both Prophet and priest are ungodly; even in my house
I have found their evil, declares the LORD.

JEREMIAH 23:16-17 (ESV)

¹⁶ Thus says the Lord of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes.

JEREMIAH 23:16-17 (ESV)

They speak visions of their own minds,
not from the mouth of the Lord.

JEREMIAH 23:16-17 (ESV)

¹⁷ They say continually to those who despise the word of the Lord,
'It shall be well with you';

JEREMIAH 23:16-17 (ESV)

and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart,
they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.'"

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

³ Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold,

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

and they shall be fruitful and multiply. 4 I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed,

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

neither shall any be missing, declares the Lord.

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

⁵ "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely.

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

And this is the name by which he will be called:
'The Lord is our righteousness.'

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

⁷ "Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord,
when they shall no longer say,

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

'As the Lord lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,'⁸ but 'As the Lord lives who brought up and led the offspring

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.'

JEREMIAH 23:3-8 (ESV)

Then they shall dwell in their own land."

3

Hope is found in the Good Shepherd.

ROMANS 15:4 (ESV)

For whatever was written in former days
was written for our instruction,

ROMANS 15:4 (ESV)

that through endurance and through the encouragement
of the Scriptures we might have hope.

LAMENTATIONS 3:24 (ESV)

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"therefore I will hope in him."