

Theme: Christian hope rests not in circumstances but in Christ himself—a hope that sustains us through joy and sorrow, life and death, and into eternity.

I. Christ Our Hope

- A. Theme: Christian hope ultimately rests not in circumstances, human abilities or righteousness, power, technology, wealth, or leaders, but in Christ Himself.
- B. Text: 1 Timothy 1:1; Romans 15:13
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Romans 15:13
- E. Teaching keywords: Hope; catechism; endurance; encouragement

II. Christ Our Hope In Life

- A. Theme: Christians have a firm foundation for hope each day because of God's character, His sovereignty, and the return of Jesus to make all things new.
- B. Text: Psalm 118:22-26
- C. Response: Communion/This is the Day
- D. Benediction: Romans 15:13
- E. Teaching keywords: Hope; catechism; gratitude and thanksgiving; sovereignty of God; second coming

III. Christ Our Hope In Times of Despair

- A. Theme: In times of despair, Christians sustain hope in God by remembering His past faithfulness, experiencing His Presence through the means of grace He has given us, and anticipating His promised deliverance.
- B. Text: Psalm 42; Psalm 43
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Psalm 20:1-5
- E. Teaching keywords: Hope; suffering; sorrow; prayer; means of grace

IV. Christ Our Hope In Death

- A. Theme: Christian hope, anchored in Christ Himself, defeats death by guaranteeing believers an uninterrupted union with Jesus - from death, through resurrection, and into eternal life.
- B. Text: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Philippians 3:10-11
- E. Teaching keywords: Hope; death; intermediate state; second coming; resurrection

V. Christ Our Hope of Glory

- A. Theme: Christians live with confident hope as they look forward to Christ's return: present suffering will pass, all things will be renewed, and we will share in Christ's glory forever.
- B. Text: Romans 8:18-25
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: 1 Peter 5:10???
- E. Teaching keywords: Hope; glorification; second coming; eschatology; resurrection; fall and curse; heaven, hell, and eternity

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