

I consistently pray *Romans 15:13* for myself & for those at ABC? How can I abound in hope in my individual and corporate life?

17. How can we *be devoted to prayer* on one another's behalf this week?



Message #119: *Abounding in Hope*

July 9, 2017

*Sermon*  
*Notes*

### Quotes to Ponder

*This verse (Romans 15:13) is a great summary of the blessed life in the brotherhood formed by our oneness in Jesus Christ. The **source** of that life is the God of hope. The **measure** of that life is that we shall be filled 'with all joy and peace.' The **quality** of that life is joy and peace which He desires for us. The **condition** of that life is faith—we enter by believing. The **purpose** of that life is that we might abound. The **enabling** of that life is divine power. And the **director** of that life is the Holy Spirit.*

Donald Grey Barnhouse

*My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness....  
When all around my soul gives away;  
He then is all my Hope and Stay.*

Edward Mott

*Romans 15:13 is the summation of the epistle of Romans. Paul is praying that God, who is the source of eternal hope, life, and salvation, will overflow the believer with all those things. It is Paul's prayer that all believers be spiritually satisfied.*

John MacArthur

*Trust in Him, ye saints, forever;  
He is faithful, changing never;  
Neither force nor guile can sever  
Those He loves from Him.  
Keep us Lord, O keep us cleaving  
To Thyself and still believing,  
Till the hour of our receiving  
Promised joys from Thee.*

Thomas Kelly

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1. What in the text or sermon impacted you most? What encouraged you? Convicted you? Challenged you? Confused you?

2. What is Paul's prayer for the Roman Christians (*Romans 15:13*)? How is this a fitting conclusion to chapters 14-15? How is this a fitting summary of the book?

3. What is biblical *hope*?

4. What do these verses say about *hope*?

*Proverbs 13:12* —

*Hebrews 11:1* —

*Romans 8:23-25, 28* —

*1 Peter 3:15-16* —

5. Read *1 Corinthians 15:19*. Why must our hope be anchored to eternity rather than to this life only?

6. In *Romans 15:13* there are two agents of hope mentioned. Who or what are they?

How do they work together?

What are we to believe in order for hope to abound?

7. How do *joy* and *peace* relate to *hope* (*Romans 15:13*)? Which is the cause of the other? Explain.

8. Where does *hope* come from?

*Psalm 39:7* —

*Ephesians 2:12* —

*Romans 15:13* —

9. How do the Scriptures encourage us so as to produce hope?

10. How do we get *hope*?

*Romans 5:5* —

*Hebrews 6:11-20* —

*Romans 15:4, 13* —

11. How do we *abound in hope* (*Romans 15:13*)?

12. How much *hope* is enough (*Ephesians 3:20*)?

13. What does *hope* look like according to *2 Corinthians 3:1-12*?

14. John Piper often says, *God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in Him*. How does this statement relate to our need to experience hope in God?

15. Read the short book of *Philippians* and note every reference to *joy* or *rejoice*. Notice also the frequent references to *mind* or *attitude*. Is there a correlation between the two? If so, what?

16. **Reflection Questions:** What is truly my hope in my day to day life? Do