

“The End of Hope”

I. Why hope?

- Because there is **need** for it!
- Because we live in a **fallen** world, and need hope to hold onto.

II. Different degrees of hope

1. “Hopefully” hope

- “I hope so” type of **subjective** feeling

2. “If it’s God’s plan” hope

- No matter how unlikely it may seem, **anything** is **possible** if it is God’s plan, desire and will. (Rom. 4:18)

3. Ultimate hope of eternal life

- This is not just a hope for the **present** life, but is a hope for **heaven**.
(1 Cor. 15:19)
- This hope is an **objective** truth that God has promised. (Heb. 6:18)
- This hope has an **end** to it (Heb. 6:11), and in heaven, our hope will no longer be hope, but will be **reality** (Rom. 8:24).
- In heaven, there will be **no more need** for hope because it is a perfect world! (Rev. 21:4)