



## Finding Hope in God's CHARACTER

**Lamentations 3:22-24** – *It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.*

Early last year our lives were busy with the hustle and bustle of our day-to-day. And in an instant, our lives came to a standstill. Changes were coming so quickly it became difficult to process. Many of us began to feel uncertain about what the future held. While the world around us is ever-changing, Scripture tells us that Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever (Hebrews 13:8). Knowing He is unchanging, despite everything around us, brings peace. Value in routines and planning ahead brings stability and comfort. But what if comfort has replaced courageousness? What if routines have stifled opportunities to be still before the Lord? What if my busyness has caused me to miss a divine appointment? This time of isolation has led me into a deeper reflection of my priorities, to surrender parts of my routine that do not have eternal value. I pray that I have been changed during this difficult time, continuing to grow more deeply rooted in Christ. Lamentations highlights God's character: loving, compassionate, faithful, merciful. He promises strength to get through each day. Nothing in this world compares to the hope we find in Christ. HE is all we need, both the source and the focus of our hope.

Indeed, HE is worth trusting. Are there any areas of your life you need to surrender in order to find hope in Christ alone?

*Prayer: Dear God, Some days feel too hard. We're hurting. Struggling. Fighting fear and worry at every turn. Thank you in the midst of it all, you haven't left us to fend for ourselves. Forgive us for doubting you are there. Forgive us for thinking you've forgotten. Forgive us for believing we somehow know the better way. You are Lord over every situation no matter how difficult it may seem. We pray for the peace of your presence to cover our minds and thoughts, as you remind us, the enemy can never steal us out of your hands. We thank you that your ways are higher than our ways and your thoughts are bigger than our thoughts. We lay it all down at your feet, every burden, every care. Believing that is the safest place for it to be. We love you Lord, we need your fresh grace. In the Powerful Name of Jesus, Amen.*

Much love to you all, Patty Tester



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We wish all our Mothers and Grandmothers a Happy Mother's Day! We love you and appreciate you greatly. We pray that God will richly bless you and your children and grandchildren. Have a wonderful time on your special day!

## Revival of Pentecost - May 21-23

Invite friends & family & join us each service. Prayer in the sanctuary 30 minutes prior to each service.

### SERVICE SCHEDULE:

Friday, May 21, 7:00 pm

Saturday, May 22, 6:30 pm

Sunday, May 23, 10:30 am



## Wednesday Worship

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary is an awesome time of worship, devotion and prayer. Join us mid-week and be blessed!



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