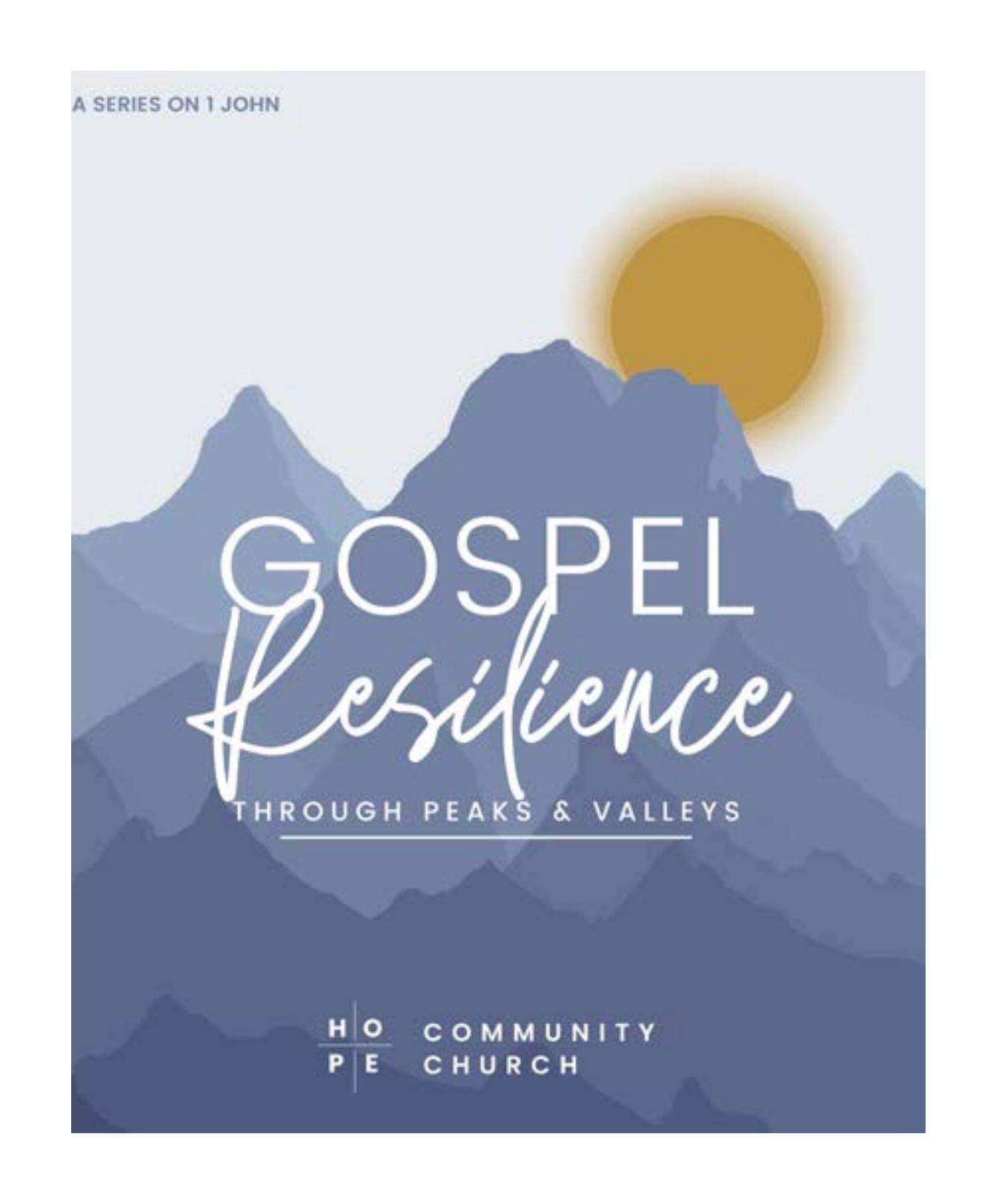


A SERIES ON 1 JOHN



GOSPEL
Resilience

THROUGH PEAKS & VALLEYS

H O
P E

COMMUNITY
CHURCH

Welcome

We believe that God uses our time in corporate worship to conform us. He is like a master craftsman and we are his work of art. God is the one who invites us to worship him and in doing so we commune with the Father in Christ through the power of His Holy Spirit. We find a specific flow of worship in Scripture so our liturgy is based on a pattern that has been followed throughout Scripture and church history. We see that God speaks and we respond.

Remembering God's Presence-God's grace initiates an invitation to worship. We remember that God is holy, glorious and it is by grace that we are invited into his presence.

Remembering God's Grace - Since we are ushered into God's holy presence, we are made aware of our sin. We are reminded that our sin is forgiven in Christ, so we approach our God as his children. So we can be honest with him about our failures and be assured of his mercy.

Renewal in Christ as Prophet - God speaks to us through the Word of God proclaimed. The Holy Spirit uses this time to convict, rebuke, and encourage. This is a divine encounter with the true and living God.

Renewal in Christ as Priest - In this meal we are strengthened and nourished by the Spirit of Christ. We commune with God himself and with one another. This is not a time for mere commemoration, but God is at work in our hearts as we partake.

Renewal in Christ as King - Christ the king sends us out to be a missional presence in the world. We are assured of his presence as we seek to live in our communities with Christ as our king.

This worship pattern is both biblical and spiritual formative. We invite you to participate actively in worship or to just listen and observe at your discretion.

We would love to meet you and answer any questions you may have. Be sure to stop by the Welcome table after the service or reach out to us at hopecc.church.

Exploring?

Do you have questions about the Christian faith?

Do you desire to learn more about the person and work of Jesus Christ?

Do you wonder why we, a beautiful and messy community, love and are so committed to a local church?

Do you wrestle with intellectual barriers that make belief seem implausible, even irresponsible?

Do you struggle to reconcile a good God with a hurting world?

We recognize that you may have questions. That's why:

- We want to create a welcoming place where you feel comfortable coming with your questions and doubts.
- We seek to be a community where you can belong before you believe.
- We believe that God draws both the convinced and unconvinced to worship.
- We desire to listen to skeptics. We do not listen to respond, but we listen to hear the doubts and questions.
- We long to speak and show you how the love of Jesus Christ and a local church has changed us.

I would love to take you out to lunch and discuss with you how the gospel has changed my life and listen to your story and try to answer your questions. Please reach out to me @ jc@hopecc.church.

Remembering God's Presence

Please stand.

The call to worship is a reminder that God is the great initiator. He is the one calling us into His presence

Bold text is read together by the congregation.

Plain text is read by the leader.

Responsive readings remind us that during corporate worship God speaks to his people and we respond together as a community.

CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 149:1-4

Minister: "Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, small and great."

People: "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory!"

PASTORAL PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SONG OF ADORATION

ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS

WORDS & MUSIC: CHRISTOPHER MINER AND SAMUEL STENNETT

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand
And cast a wishful eye,
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains
Shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns
And scatters night away.

I am bound, I am bound,
I am bound for the promised land!
I am bound, I am bound,
I am bound, for the promised land!

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath
Can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain, and death
Are felt and feared no more.

When shall I see that happy place
And be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face
And in His bosom rest?

I am bound, I am bound,
I am bound for the promised land!
I am bound, I am bound,
I am bound for the promised land!

HIS MERCY IS MORE

WORDS & MUSIC: MATT BOSWELL AND MATT PAPA

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

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Remembering God's Grace

Please be seated.

The call to repentance is an opportunity to remember God's grace and the goodness of the gospel as we confess our sins to Him.

CALL TO REPENTANCE - 1 JOHN 1:6-8

If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

Almighty Father, we believe that your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, is coming again in power to judge the earth.

We confess that we have not lived as those who daily expect your kingdom.

We have spoken harsh words, thought impure thoughts, and lived casual lives.

We have ignored your promised judgment by not loving you with our whole hearts or our neighbors as ourselves.

Have mercy upon us and forgive us for all our offenses. In your kindness, fill us with your Spirit so that we might live with the joyful expectation of your coming kingdom. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS - 1 JOHN 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

WORDS & MUSIC BY: CHARITIE LEES BANCROFT AND VIKKI COOK

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Saviour died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God
With Christ my Saviour and my God

Receiving Christ as Prophet

CHILDREN'S CLASS

Please be seated. (At the parents' discretion, children up to 3rd grade may go to a class designed for them or remain in the service.)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

God uses His
Word to speak
to us.

Psalm 1

- 1 Blessed is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
2 but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law he meditates day and night.
- 3 He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.
- 4 The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
6 for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

The Spirit uses
His Word as a
powerful means
of nourishing
and comforting
God's people,
and awakening
people to new
faith.

SERMON

REV. J.C. BAYSINGER

MARKS OF ETERNAL LIFE

1 JOHN 5:13–21

13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. 14 And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. 15 And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

16 If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not leading to death, he shall ask, and God will give him life—to those who commit sins that do not lead to death. There is sin that leads to death; I do not say that one should pray for that. 17 All wrongdoing is sin, but there is sin that does not lead to death.

18 We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning, but he who was born of God protects him, and the evil one does not touch him.

19 We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

20 And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life. 21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

Notes

Faith Seeking Understanding:

1. Spend some time observing the text. What are some repeated words or phrases?
2. How can we pray according to God's will? How can we develop confidence in our prayer life?
3. What would it look like to pray for a fellow believer who is struggling with sin?
4. What do we know based on verses 18-20? What are some other gospel promises that we know?
5. How do we keep ourselves from idols?

Receiving Christ as Priest

CHILDREN'S CLASS

(Parents are now excused to pick up their children and have them join us for the rest of worship.)

PROFESSION OF FAITH

What do you believe about God?

**We all believe in our hearts
and confess with our mouths that there is a single and simple spiritual being,
whom we call God—
eternal, incomprehensible,
invisible, unchangeable,
infinite, almighty;
completely wise,
just, and good,
and the overflowing source of all good.**

—based on Belgic Confession, Art. 1

PRAYER OF FAITH

OFFERING

All we have is given
to us by God. Our
offerings express this
joyful dependance
and our commitment
to join God in his
work of renewal.

SONG OF PREPARATION

JESUS PAID IT ALL

WORDS & MUSIC BY: ALEX NIFONG, ELVINA M. HALL, AND JOHN THOMAS GRAPE

I hear the Savior say
“Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness, watch and pray
Find in Me thine all in all”

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow’r and Thine alone
Can change the leper’s spots
And melt the heart of stone

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

And when before the throne
I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save
my lips shall still repeat
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Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

Oh, praise the One who paid my debt
And raised this life up from the dead

Oh, praise the One who paid my debt
And raised this life up from the dead

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

Receiving Christ as King

SURSUM CODA

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PRAYER FOR THE SACRAMENT

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Minister: Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

INVITATION

Minister: These are the Gifts of God, for the People of God. Feed on him in your hearts by faith, and with thanksgiving.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

(Directions for taking communion are on pages 14-15)

PASSING THE PEACE

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

SONG OF BLESSING

Sursum Corda is Latin for “lift up your hearts.” One of the oldest liturgical pieces still in use, it calls us to be heavenly minded and summons us into the Lord’s presence. Along with the voices around you, hear the echo of 2,000 years of worshipping Christians who have gone before.

Communion (i.e. the Lord’s Supper or Eucharist) is a covenant renewal meal, instituted by Jesus the night before his crucifixion. It points back to the cross, forward to the return of the King, but also, when we receive it in faith, it is true fellowship with King Jesus, in his presence and at his table. and real communion with your brothers and sisters in Christ. It is a symbol of our bond of love as fellow Christians.

BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE
WORDS & MUSIC: CHARITIE LEES BANCROFT AND VIKKI COOK

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God
With Christ my Saviour and my God

BENEDICTION

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.

THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Go in Peace

Just as we
begin with with
God's gracious
invitation, so
we end with
God's promise
to always be
with us.

It is appropriate
to lift our heads
as a symbol that
through Christ
God graciously
lifts our head,
and we hold out
our hands palms
up to symbolize
our need and
eagerness to
receive God's
blessing.

NEXT AT HOPE

Gilbert Community Group

May 10th 7:00-8:30 pm
The Parejas
436 E Hopkins Rd.
Gilbert, AZ 85295

SAVE THE DATE - MEN'S EVENT

MAY 12TH, 6:00 PM
Cesar & Amber Aguilar
7574 S Peppertree Dr.
Gilbert, AZ 85298
Gate Code: 0131

SAVE THE DATE - HOPE CC LAKE DAY

MAY 14TH, 7:30 AM - 3:00 PM
Butcher Jones Saguaro Lake
To find out more, go to
<https://faithhopelove.churchcenter.com/calendar>
or hopecc.church/upcoming-events.

<u>March</u>	Budgeted	Actual	Difference
Internal Giving	\$ 11,250	\$11,555	\$ 305
Expenses	\$ 15,742	\$ 29,067	\$ 13,326

To stay up to date on all our activities or add your name and contact information, sign-up with church center at faithhopelove.churchcenter.com.

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DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

Directions for taking communion:

Hope Community Church welcomes all baptized believers who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation and understand the meaning of the Lord's Supper to eat with us. Please note that we use wine for Communion; if you prefer non-alcoholic grape juice, the grape juice is white and the wine is red. For those with wheat allergies, a gluten free cracker* is available in place of the bread.

When and how to come forward for communion:

Starting with the first row walk towards the center aisle and come forward. Once you have received the elements you may eat and drink at anytime. Please dispose of the cups in the trash receptacle.

A Word to Parents:

Children are welcome at the communion table. To receive the Lord's Supper, a child must have been baptized and been formally received as a communing member at Hope Community Church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If you have any question about how the process works, please contact Pastor J.C. Send him an email at jc@hopecc.church

Children may take the wine at their parents' discretion.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

(Hope Community Church is not only for those who are committed followers of Jesus Christ, but also for those who are curious, skeptical, unsure, etc. Our desire is for you to feel that you belong, even if you are unsure if you believe that Jesus is Lord.)

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

Lord, I am restless, and I am unsure why. I have desires that have no explanation. I am thirsty, but nothing seems to satisfy. I am hungry, but I can never get enough. I am restless. Please help me to understand and trust that you are my rest. Reveal yourself to me and how me that you are the way, the truth, and the life. I am restless, help me to find my rest in you.

PRAYERS OF BELIEF

Lord, I am convicted that I am a sinner in need of forgiveness. Forgive me for sinning against you in thought, word, and deed. Enable me to turn from trusting in my own efforts to trusting in you. Thank you for taking the punishment my sins deserved on the cross and by giving me new life in Christ, forgiveness of sins, and a righteousness that is not my own. Just as you raised Jesus Christ from the dead, I ask that you give me new life in him. Empower me to love you with my heart, soul, mind, and strength and my neighbor as myself. Help me to follow you in baptism and live as a committed disciple to you by faith in the power of your Spirit.

Prayer Request and Comments

We want to pray for you and hear your comments, suggestions and praises. Please write them in the space below.

Name: _____

I would like to speak with someone about the prayer request or other concern. Please contact me at:

(_____) _____

Day Evening

Please hand this card in to at the welcome table.

We Are Glad You Are Here Today!

We know it can be hard to connect with a new church. We want to help you in any way we can. Feel free to fill out the tear-off card below to let us know what information would be helpful. Place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher or leader. Don't hesitate to check the box to meet with a pastor to help you learn more about HCC. We are here to serve you.

Name: _____

Spouse: _____

Children: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Spouse Cell: _____

Spouse Email: _____

Please add me to the church directory.

Please add me to the church email list.

Please Let Us Know If You Are:

First Time Visitor

Repeat Visitor

Please Contact Me About:

Joining a Community Group

Membership at Hope

Meeting with a Pastor

Getting Involved

Hope Community Church

Our Vision: At Hope Community Church we are a worshipping community of believers in Jesus Christ who are committed to developing our faith in him, depending on the hope he offers in the gospel, and deepening our love for Him and our neighbors.

Developing Faith-Everybody expresses faith to some degree. The question is, where is that faith directed? Are you banking on yourself, your family, science, the good of humanity, or are you ultimately depending on Christ? The beauty of the gospel is that when we begin to trust in Jesus, everything changes. We believe living by faith means moving into a realm whereby we are uncertain of ourselves but more confident of God and his faithfulness. As our faith increases, we become more like Christ as we seek to follow him.

Depending on Hope-As we express faith in Christ, we also depend on hope in the gospel. One Christian thinker puts it this way, "all hope must rest on something, but the key question is whether God and his scriptural promises are that foundation on which we find refuge by the power of the Spirit." One of the purposes of our church is to point people to the true source of hope, Jesus Christ.

Deepening in Love- As we develop our faith and depend on hope, our love for God and one another will increase. Our motive for loving others, not only those like us, but those who are radically different than us, is to glorify God in obedience to the gospel.

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