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Romans 5:1-6

"After the Storm...Hope!"

Of God's Sovereignty and His Storms

1. God is sovereign and in total control. Gen 18:14; Psa 135:6; Luke 1:37; Rev 19:26
2. Reasons for storms in our lives...
 - a. Correction - bring to obedience. Jon 1:1-2:10
 - b. Direction - change the current path. Acts 27:13-28:10
 - c. Perfection - strengthen faith. Mat 14:22-33
 - d. Protection - shield from greater danger. Gen 6:5-14, 22

God's Process for Producing Hope

3. Suffering. Rom 5:3; Jam 1:2-4; 2Ti 3:12; 1Pe 4:12-19; 2Co 4:8-10,17

1Pe 2:20, "For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God."

4. Endurance, steadfastness, and patience. Rom 5:3; Jam 1:3; 2Th 1:4; Heb 6:12

Jam 1:4, "And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing."

5. Character. Gal 5:22-23; Php 4:8; 2Pe 1:5-7; Col 3:12-15; 1Jn 4:8

"The true test of a man's character is what he does when no one is watching." - John Wooden

- a. Realization that we survived the storm. Rom 8:28-39
- b. God's faithfulness was on display. Heb 13:5; Mat 28:20; 2Ti 2:13
- c. Made progress in becoming more like Jesus. 1Th 4:3; Php 3:10; 2Co 1:5

1Th 4:3, "For this is the will of God, your sanctification..."

6. Hope (joyful confidence). Heb 11:1; Psa 39:7, 31:24; 1Co 13:13; Isa 41:10; 1Pe 1:3

What if I Don't Have This Hope But Want It?

7. A person must acknowledge three conditions to be saved:
 - a. They are a sinner (ungodly). Rom 3:23, 5:6; Ecc 7:20; John 3:19
 - b. They are unable to save themselves. (weak) Rom 5:6; Titus 3:4-5; Gal 2:21
 - c. Jesus is the only way to be saved. John 14:6, 3:36; Acts 4:12; Rom 10:9; 1Ti 2:5
8. While "hope" is joyful confidence in what will happen, "rejoicing" is joyful celebration of what has already happened.