

Hope to Endure

Amos 9:1-15

1) There is enduring hope for <u>all</u> people and nations in the <u>Lord</u>.

Revelation 22:2 ... "through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations."

2) There is enduring hope for <u>unfailing abundance</u>.

Revelation 22:3 ... "No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him."

3) There is enduring hope for <u>permanent peace</u>.

Memory Verse for November

"And he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves."

Luke 22:25-27

Scripture to Pray

Psalm 71:5-8 ...

"For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth. Upon you I have leaned from before my birth; you are he who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you. I have been as a portent to many, but you are my strong refuge. My mouth is filled with your praise, and with your glory all the day."

From the Resources

"Finally, this text assures listeners that God has not left humanity without any hope. Today may be terrible, and tomorrow may bring more sorrow than any one person should have to bear, but there is hope because God exists and has a plant to bring this world to a wonderful end ... If people desire to participate in the transformation God offers, a new world can be born. No matter how severe God's judgment is, He does not leave people without hope.

- Gary V. Smith The Life Application Commentary: Hosea/Amos/ Micah (Pg. 416)