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HOPE: ENCOUNTERING THE CHRIST OF HOPE Acts 7:58, 8:1-3, 9:1-9; Phil. 3:4-14

Encountering hope in the wrong way. Acts 7:58, 8:1-3, 9:1-9; Phil 3:4-6

- Building our hope <u>within</u> ourselves. Acts 7:58, 8:1-3, 9:1-9; Phil. 3:4-6; Gal. 5:16-20; Matt. 7:24-27; Luke 12:13-21
- Building our hope <u>upon</u> the world. Phil. 3:4-6; Luke 12:13-22, 18:18-27; 1
 John 2:15-17; 1 Kin. 11:1-13; Eccl. 2:1-11; Matt. 7:13-14, 24-27, 20:20-21; 2 Cor. 5:21

Encountering hope in the right way. Acts 9:3-9; Phil. 3:7-14

- Once and for <u>all</u> hope (salvation). Acts 9:3-9; Phil. 3:7-14; John 1:12; Rom. 10:9-10, 13; Eph. 2:8-9; 1 Pet. 2:24; 2 Cor. 5:21; Rom. 5:1, 8:1
- Daily <u>living</u> in hope (sanctification). 1 Thess. 4:3, 17; Gal. 5:16, 22-23; John 15:1-11; Rom. 8:29; 1 Pet. 1:15-16; 2 Cor. 5:21; Phil. 3:12-14
- Ultimate hope in the <u>reality</u> of heaven. John 14:1-6; Luke 23:42-43, 16:21;
 Rev. 21-22; Phil. 1:23

Application.

- Have you <u>encountered</u> the Christ of hope?
- Are you <u>living</u> in the Christ of hope?
- Celebrate and <u>rejoice</u> in the Christ of hope.

Conclusion.

- Heaven came to earth.
- The obedience of Christ.
- People Christ came for.
- Encountering the Christ of hope.