

SURROUNDED BY FAITH AND HOPE

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- * This sermon has 2 purposes
 - 1. To remind you about the qualities of faith & hope
 - 2. To remind you how close those 2 qualities are to you
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* Faith and hope work together

Acts 24:14 believing things written in the Law & Prophets
15 I have hope in God -- that there will be a resurrection
of the dead

* What is faith?

Romans 4:17 God gives life to the dead and calls those things
which do not exist as though they do exist
18 "contrary to hope" -- when it seemed hopeless
19 not weak in faith
20 he did not waver at the promise of God
21 and being fully convinced that what God had
promised -- He was able to perform

It is my opinion that the largest reason for
people not having faith in God -- people
misinterpret the promises

* What is hope?

Phil. 1:19 I know that this will turn out for my salvation --
through your prayer and the supply of the
Spirit of Jesus Christ
20 according to my earnest expectation and hope -- that
in nothing I shall be ashamed -- but with
all boldness (as always) -- so Christ will
be magnified in my body

* What is the origin of faith and hope?

2 Tim. 1:5 I remember the genuine faith in you -- which first
dwelt in your grandmother Lois and your
mother Eunice

Rom. 5:1 faith and peace
2 we have access by faith -- we rejoice in hope
of the glory of God

3-4 glory in tribulations -- patience -- experience

-- hope
5 hope makes not ashamed -- because the love of
God is shed in our hearts by the Holy Spirit
which is in us