

THE BOOK OF REVELATION

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INTRODUCTION *to the text* ***Revelation 12:13-17***

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HOPE FROM HEAVEN

to be true to the context, the promise of God to provide and to protect is guaranteed to the believing remnant of Israel - no doubt about it!

But For Us Today, we need to be reminded of the fact that we have a God who alone is, The Almighty God of the Bible

2 Peter 1:4

(Concerning Jesus Christ our Lord...)

"by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature,

It is God and God Alone who is Faithful and He is Ever Present to Help Us.

Hebrews 4:14-16

Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* confession. :15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all *points* tempted as *we are*, yet without sin. :16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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Isaiah 40:31

*This Morning Church
I want to Cover the Obvious that is Before us,
and Then Extract Out of This Portion of Scripture, What the Lord Would
have for us as a Church Today - - before all these things
happen to the human race.*

*Pastor Jack,
"i know that all this is going to come to pass,
but it seems so fantastic that it's hard to take it all in."*

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**CONSIDER NOW
THE CURRENT GLOBAL EVENTS.**

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**IS THIS WORLD BECOMING MORE
PEACE-FILLED?**

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I Want to Ask You Today, This Vital Question.

How Are You Doing In Your Personal Battle With Satan?

With the drastic decline in morality - have you been fighting?

With the availability of secret sins - have you been fighting?

Amidst all the political attacks against your faith - have you been fighting?

I Want to Challenge You To Think Outside the Box
(That box being what we think is normal)

Why - because our nation, our state and our church will no doubt be faced with challenges that will try our faith to its core.

Persecution is increasing in the world and it's here.

In Light of This;

How are you doing in this world? Are you relying upon the blood of Jesus Christ and his faithfulness day by day?

Have you placed your entire existence upon the altar of God?

How's your Faith? How's your Hope? How's your Love?

1 Corinthians 10:13 No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God *is* faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear *it*.

2 Corinthians 9:8 And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may have an abundance for every good work.

Ephesians 3:20 Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,

Lamentations 3:32 Though he brings grief, he will show compassion, so great is his unfailing love.

Lamentations 3:33 For he does not willingly bring affliction or grief to the children of men.

Hebrews 6:19 This *hope* we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the *Presence* behind the veil,

Psalms 42:5 Why are you cast down, O my soul? And *why* are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall yet praise Him *For* the help of His countenance.

Psalms 146:5 Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God

Psalms 146:6 the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them — the LORD, who remains faithful forever.

1 Peter 1:3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

1 Peter 1:4 to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,

Romans 15:13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Titus 2:13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

Titus 2:14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works.