

Hope in Uncertain Times



“Certain” Predictions gone wrong

- In 1893 a journalist, Browne, predicted that “Law will be simplified (in the next 100 years), the need for lawyers will diminish, and their fees drastically reduced!”
- In 1985 a teacher of Albert Einstein said, “It doesn’t matter that he does, he will never amount to anything”
- In 1949 a computer scientist named Neumann said, “It appears we have reached our limits of what is possible to achieve with computer technology”

Life is Uncertain

- David's Uncertainties
- 1 Chronicles 17, Psalm 42
- There is “No sure thing” in life



Psalm 42

- Panting deer (1)
- Tears day and night (3)
- People challenge his belief in God (3)
- He is downcast, disturbed (5,6, 11)
- Feels like he is drowning/overwhelmed (7)
- In mourning and oppressed (9)
- Agony (physically) & socially (taunting) (10)

Hope can only be found in Jesus Christ

- David's Hope
- 1Chronicles 17, Psalm 42



HOPE

FOUND IN JESUS CHRIST

Psalm 42

- my soul longs for God (1)
- my soul thirsts for God, the living God (2)
- remembered worshipping God (4)
- hope in God (5b) by praising Him
- God as my Saviour, my God (5)
- God is deep, calling him to depth (7)
- God's guidance and presence day & night (8)
- Prayer (8)
- my Rock (9)
- Hope in God (11)

The Key to Hope

God is Sovereign - “My Saviour”, “My God”, “My Rock”

“the Place where God will choose” – Torah 21 times



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John 14:1-4

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.”