



# HOPE

## How to have hope in the future, when life feels desperate?

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In this message, Ps. Jim uses the story of Elisha to illustrate the importance of having hope for the future. Ps. Jim shares that hope should not be dependent on external circumstances or past experiences but should be grounded in faith in God. Elisha's unwavering hope in God's power and ability to bring about positive change serves as an example of looking forward with hope even in the midst of challenges and disappointments.

This message encourages us to trust in God's plans for our lives and believe that He can turn any situation around. It reminds them that having hope for the future allows us to build a better tomorrow, even when faced with difficulties, failures, or uncertainty. By placing our hope in God and His faithfulness, we can embrace a hopeful perspective and anticipate a future filled with God's possibilities.

### Questions for reflection:

1. Where do I currently place my hope? Reflect on whether your hope is primarily based on external circumstances, past experiences, or other people, or if it is grounded in a deeper faith in God's power and His plans for your life.
2. How can I cultivate and maintain hope for the future? Consider practical ways to nurture a hopeful mindset, such as seeking God's guidance, meditating on His promises, and surrounding yourself with positive influences that encourage hope and trust in God's faithfulness.
3. In what areas of my life do I need to embrace hope and trust God's plans? Identify specific areas where you may be struggling with doubt, fear, or a lack of hope. Surrender those areas to God, seeking His guidance and trusting that He can bring about positive change and a better future, even in the midst of challenging circumstances.