Hope = "favorable or confident expectation"

- ► How is our hope described?
 - Blessed Titus 2:11-14
 - "Pronouncement of blessedness";
 Acknowledgment that our hope is a blessed one, as opposed to being ashamed of it

- How is our hope described?
 - Good <u>II Thess. 2:16-17</u>
 - "agathos" = beneficial, profitable
 - Benefits of peace, joy, resolve, determination, etc.
 - Because of the benefits of our hope to us, our words and actions should provide benefits to others

- ► How is our hope described?
 - ► Living <u>I Pet. 1:3</u>
 - Christ is living resurrection from the dead
 - We are alive begotten in the spirit through baptism

- What does this hope enable us to do?
 - **▶** Draw near to God <u>Heb. 7:18-19</u>

- ► Having hope, for what should we ask of God?
 - For more hope through His Word! Rom. 15:13
 - ▶God is the author of our hope!