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Series: A Better Hope

Matthew 16:21-27 (pg. 973)

“And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.  
But the greatest of these is love.” - 1 Corinthians 13:13

### HOPE DEFINED:

Worldly Hope: a desired expectation for a certain thing to happen

Biblical Hope: a confident expectation based on God’s promises

### MATTHEW 16:21-27

> Jesus explained to the disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and  
be \_\_\_\_\_ and on the third day be \_\_\_\_\_ to life.

> Peter pulled Jesus aside and \_\_\_\_\_ him.

> Jesus then said to Peter, “You do not have in mind the concerns  
of \_\_\_\_\_, but merely \_\_\_\_\_ concerns.”

> To be a true disciple of Jesus, you must \_\_\_\_\_ yourself,  
take up your \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ him.

### HOPE IN SCRIPTURE

“Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a longing fulfilled is a tree of life.  
~ Proverbs 13:12

“Then you will know that I am the LORD; those who hope in me will not be  
disappointed.” ~ Isaiah 49:23

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so  
that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”  
~ Romans 15:13

### A BETTER HOPE...

...is built upon God’s promise of \_\_\_\_\_.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever  
believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” ~ John 3:16

### HOW DO WE “GET” HOPE?

“If you declare with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that  
God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” ~ Romans 10:9

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“Since we have been justified by his grace, we become heirs with the  
confident expectation of eternal life.” ~ Titus 3:7 [NET]

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### MAIN TAKEAWAY:

Worldly hope \_\_\_\_\_ and will ultimately \_\_\_\_\_; but

Biblical hope \_\_\_\_\_ and will always \_\_\_\_\_.

### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK:

What is one thing or one person you put your hope in above  
your hope in God and His promises?

What might it look like for you to ‘*deny yourself*’ and begin  
‘*carrying your cross*’ today?

How does putting your hope fully in God impact you and the  
world around you?

**Answer Key:** killed, raised, rebuked, God, human, deny, cross,  
follow, eternal life, love, disappoints, fail, delivers, prevail.