

Title: The Blessed Hope

Text: 2 Corinthians 4:16 - 5:8

- † Eternal life, resurrection, and the rapture are what the Bible calls our blessed hope
- † This Blessed Hope is a purifying hope
Titus 2:11-13
- † The Blessed Hope is a living hope
1 Peter 1:1-3; John 14:2-3
- † As our bodies grow weaker our new nature should be growing stronger
2 Corinthians 4:16
- † The Holy Spirit uses adversity to teach us to focus on spiritual things
2 Corinthians 4:17-18; Romans 8:18
- † God's goal for us is Christ – likeness
1 John 3:2-3; Colossians 3:1-2
- † Our earthly body is like a tent = temporary, movable and flimsy
2 Corinthians 5:1
- † Our heavenly body is like a building = strong and permanent
1 Corinthians 15:42-44
- † The aging process reminds us we aren't home yet
2 Corinthians 5:2-4; Romans 8:18-25
- † God's guarantee that He is preparing us for Heaven is the Holy Spirit
2 Corinthians 5:5
- † As long as I am in this body I'm not home yet
2 Corinthians 5:6
- † I am to walk by faith - not by sight.
2 Corinthians 5:7
- † To leave this body is to be home with Jesus
2 Corinthians 5:8