

Sermon Title: **“THE HOPE OF HIS CALLING”**

Ephesians 1:15-23

- Take this overwhelming head knowledge & let it impact you (let it ignite your heart with a deep, intimate passion)
- “Hope” = (in English) we desire an outcome to happen
- The term “Hope” in Scripture actually means “we are certain; we have confidence in something”
  - One day we will be face-to-face with God – that’s going to happen (it just HASN’T happened yet)
- This Hope in Christ that believers have shapes how we see EVERYTHING in this life
  - The reason we can have strength to endure is because our focus is in our Hope
  - God is at work in us (God using those difficulties) to mold us & conform us into Christlikeness
  - Because of our Hope in Christ, this is as close to Hell as you & I will EVER get
  - God’s at work & this is temporary!
- In Christ, we have immense Hope in God’s Power
  - NOTHING, absolutely NOTHING, will prevent that Hope from happening (because that Hope is based in the Power of God)
  - It’s Okay to NOT be so independent
- When we came to Christ, we recognized we COULDN’T fix what we broke (we Recognized that we NEEDED Help)
  - NOTHING has changed