

The Hope of Christmas

**Biblical hope is not an _____ wish,
but a _____ assurance**

**Biblical hope is based on the _____
of God (Isaiah 40:28-31)**

It is living today in the _____
of God's _____

Living today based on tomorrow's _____
It can change one's _____ (Psalm 42:5)

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The Christmas account is filled with stories of hope

The Old Testament _____ gave
hope to Eve, Gentiles, troubled kings, a wayward
Israel, a defeated people

Mary and Joseph based their _____
on God's promises

Simeon lived a life _____ for Messiah
(Lk. 2:25-35)

Later, others would join in the hope

The disciples left _____ for the hope that Jesus was
the Messiah

Jesus lived _____ the life of hope

He alone is our _____