

VICTORY IN CHRIST

Romans 5:3-5

It is easy to lose hope in a world where many of our standard outlets for comfort and community have been lost over the last 10 months. We've lost concerts, sports, family gatherings, and so much more. How do we maintain our hope in Christ when so many others have lost their hope for tomorrow? Paul shows us in Romans 5:3-5 how our Victory in Christ can bring us hope.

**Through our victory in Christ, afflictions
end in _____ instead of _____.**

**Our afflictions result in _____ when we see
them as a way to build _____.**

**Hope comes when we see the unshakable hold
God's _____ and _____ have on us.**

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Hope Through Victory

Getting Started

1. What is your favorite way to consume an apple (pie, juice, cider, candied, picked right from the tree...)?
2. What is the meaning of your name? Does it fit?

Digging Deeper

3. Read James 1:2-4. What does James see as the results of tribulations?
4. Read Hebrews 12:1. How does the author of Hebrews encourage us to become people of perseverance?
5. Read Philippians 1:12-20. What suffering did Paul take glory in while writing to the Philippians?
6. Read Colossians 1:24-27. How does Paul trace tribulations to glory in Colossians?

Living It Out

7. Tell a story of when a trial appeared to be hopeless but ended in character building success.
8. What are ways we can show God's love when someone else is suffering under affliction to provide hope?
9. Tell us of a verse, passage, or story in the Bible that you use to speak hope into your own heart.