

## THERE IS HOPE FOR TOMORROW

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### **Romans 15:13 (NIV)**

***13May 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.***

In regards to the current economic crises, the world is looking up to America to find its solutions. The old adage, *“When America coughs, the rest of the world gets a cold”* is no longer a myth but a reality today. When the Wall Street stock market plummeted to record lows, investors around the world lost thousands of hard earned money. This crisis in America has caused a ripple effect across the global affecting many lives.

Within the last few months we have seen big American corporations shut down while others are seeking bailouts or filing bankruptcy. Many people in America have lost jobs and homes and are fretfully worried about the future. As the economic recession continues to take a toll, politicians in Washington and financial pundits are intensely deliberating possible remedies to stop this economic hemorrhage while embarking on how to rebuild the economic.

Apparently, the immediate needs of many people cannot wait for long term solutions. Nevertheless, reality is there are no quick solutions. Even with any glimmer of hope that the tide may change, it is still going to be a long process. With these circumstances at hand, how can one possibly have hope for tomorrow?

True hope and peace in times of turmoil can only be found in the Lord Jesus Christ. The Apostle Paul instructed Timothy to *“charge them that are rich in this present world, that they be not highminded, nor have their hope set on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy”* (1 Timothy 6:17). When all else fails, those whose anchor is in Christ have hope for the future. As Christians we are no exception to crises, however we can still have peace, hope and favor even in troubled times.

The Bible says, *“Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God”* (Matt.4:4). Praise God that His Word – the bread of life can sustain us even when we do not have enough physical bread. God is more than able to meet us at our point of need. No situation or need is too big for Him; therefore, choose to glorify God in these challenging times. Remember, He whose eyes are on the sparrow is watching over you. It is my prayer that as the world whines and worries about the times, our light will shine in the midst of darkness that the world may come and find hope in Jesus. *“{May} the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus”* Phil.4:7.

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