

A Life of Hope

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'LEND YOUR HOPE TO OTHERS'
1 SAM 23:14-18

1. Allan's statement "Our hope is rooted in Jesus Christ...but we can lend our hope it is transferable we are a hope library ...we are librarians". Discuss what does this mean practically to our way of life as Christians and how does this strengthen our faith in Christ ?
2. Allan's statement "We can relate heart to heart ,soul to soul and we can lend hope to each other but lenders of hope allows us to receive hope "so the question is simply - " Who needs me "? Share stories of people you have helped by "lending hope" if necessary use false names etc.
3. Read 1 Samuel 23:1-18 What impact did Jonathan have on David verses 16-18 and discuss why did Jonathan , Saul's son do this ?
4. Allan said he travelled to Thailand and Jerusalem this year and seeing the needs he asked himself "how can we make a global impactwe are NewHOPE church we can lend hope to others .. give them courage " . Discuss various ways we can make a greater impact –how can this be done by any member of this church whenever and where ever ?
5. Remember the story of Job how after losing almost everything , his friends came and sat with him then Job poured out his story only to have his friends criticise him and as Allan said "they tried to answer all his questions so God was upset with Job's loud mouthed friends ". What could Job's friends have done to really help him and how will this encourage you to act when friends are in deep need ?