

A Life of Hope

25TH OCTOBER 2015

'RAISE YOUR HOPE'

ISAIAH 40: 28-31

How does Isaiah 40:28-31 encourage you to have Hope?

Some of Sunday's NewHope stories included tough times where part of the challenge was in accepting 'God's timing'. How are you/have you been similarly challenged?

One of the themes frequently spoken about at NewHope is, 'Hope in the Disciplines'. What does this mean to you and how do you respond?

2 Corinthians 12:9 was cited as an encouragement; during your tough times are you also able to claim the latter words in the verse? How do these words challenge you?

We enjoyed some great testimonies from young people including Joanna & Esther of 'Jacob & Esau' clothing label fame as well as the two school captains, Adam & Karis. What most impressed you & touched you? Who in your Group might share a story of hope?

We sang the 'Desert Song' by Natalie Grant. Read/listen and share what most encourages you

This is my prayer in the desert
When all that's within me feels dry
This is my prayer in the hunger in me
My God is a God who provides.

And this is my prayer in the fire
In weakness or trial or pain
There is a faith proved or more worth than gold
So refine me, Lord through the flames

And this is my prayer in the battle
When triumph is still on its way
I am a conqueror and co-heir with Christ
So firm on His promise I'll stand

[Chorus:]
I will bring praise
I will bring praise
No weapon formed against me shall remain
I will rejoice
I will declare
God is my victory and He is here

[Bridge:]
All of my life
In every season
You are still God
I have a reason to sing
I have a reason to worship