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## Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 60

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by providing **His hope** to you. **1 Cor. 13:7**, "It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."

The Greek word for **hope** is *elpizei* which means to anticipate or expect with surety. God's love is always hopeful because it is based on His character. Since we know that God is faithful, we can also know that everything about Him is also faithful. We have assurance when it comes to our Father. This word hope is so important to us as believers because it is implicitly connected to our faith. Our hope is built upon the One Who is steadfast, immovable, and will never be shaken; Jesus Christ our rock and our redeemer. Therefore, we can be sure the love of God is just like that as well and that our love should also be the same. We are to love with the same exact love of the Father. Again, this hope is based upon someone Who will never change. **Titus 2:12-13** states, "It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed <u>hope</u>—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ."

Just as sure as Jesus came and will come again, is the love God has for you and for all of His creations. He loves us so much that we can rely on that love to continue for eternity. I love the verse of the old Hymn "*The Solid Rock*:"

My <u>hope</u> is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' Name

Dear Father, thank You that we have our hope in You and Your never ending love. We can be sure that You will always love us and that Your love will never end. Help us to love like that! In Jesus Name, Amen