Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 31

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

God proves His love to you by providing hope to you. Heb. 10:23, "Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He Who promised is faithful."

The Greek word here for Hope is *elpizo* which means to actively wait upon God's fulfillment. This is not something that we wish for, but instead it is based upon the character of God Himself. What He says He will do, He will do. So many people in this world are living without hope. Unfortunately, it is because they are living without the giver of hope, and without the blessed hope of His appearing. **Titus 2:13**, "while we wait for the blessed hope-the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ."

Again, this hope that God gives us is not some empty hope in something that we can't see or experience, but in fact comes from God Himself. He is our hope. I love the lyrics to an old hymn-The Solid Rock:

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus Christ, my righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.
His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
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When we have the hope in our blessed Savior, nothing can keep us from His love and presence. Nothing can separate us from His love. Rm. 8:38-39, "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, or any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Dear Father, thank You that You give us hope because You are our hope. When we have You, we have everything that we will ever need. You tell us to hope in You and You will renew our strength. And You promise us that our hope does not put us to shame, because Your love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, Who has been given to us. On Christ our solid rock, we stand. In Jesus Name, Amen