

"The Disciple's Delight"

pt. 24 — Philippians 3:20-21

To Live is Christ

INTRODUCTION

- is...there...any...hope?

"The hope of the hypocrite is like a spider's web; the hope of the believer is an anchor to his soul, sure and steadfast."

— Charles Hodge

- unity of hope for the Christian

1. Our hope in Christ's return (3:20)

- hanging on to kingdom values:
"citizenship" / "conversation" / "commonwealth"

- prominence of our "blessed hope"

Mt. 24:42, 44; Jn. 14:3; Acts 1:11; Heb. 10:37; Jms. 5:7-8
2 Pet. 3:4

- eagerly waiting

Rev. 22:12, 20

APPLICATION:



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2. Our hope in the resurrection (3:21)

- the longing of the body for redemption

Rom. 8:23

- the crucial centrality of the resurrection

"[The resurrection of Christ is] the Gibraltar of Christian evidences."

— R.A. Torrey

1 Cor. 15:14-17

"Find the body of that Jew, and Christianity crumbles into ruins."

— Arnold Toynbee

- * the resurrection of Christ proves his deity

Rom. 1:3-4

- * the resurrection of Christ proves our justification

Rom. 4:25

- * the resurrection of Christ proves our future resurrection

Phil. 3:21

APPLICATION:

"The body of Ben Franklin, printer, lies here. Like the cover of an old book, its contents torn out and stripped of its lettering and gilding, it is food for worms, but the work will not be lost, for it will appear once more in a new and more elegant edition, revised and corrected by the author."

— Benjamin Franklin's epitaph