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"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15b)

God Never Said: "It Was Going To Be Easy"

Praise to God for a **Living** Hope (1 Peter 1:1-12)

## The **Nature** of Hope

"...an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you." (1 Peter 1:4)

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away." (Revelation 21:1a)

"What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived the things God has prepared for those who love Him." (1 Corinthians 2:9)

## The **Power** of Hope

"The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare." (2 Peter 3:10b)

"Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives" (2 Peter 3:11)

## The **Certainty** of Hope

"But the day of the Lord will come" (2 Peter 3:10a)

"But we know that <u>when</u> Christ appears, we <u>shall</u> be like Him, for we <u>shall</u> see Him as He is" (1 John 3:2b)

"As surely as I live,' says the Lord, 'every knee <u>will</u> bow before Me; every tongue <u>will</u> acknowledge God." (Romans 14:11)

"I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that <u>will</u> be revealed in us." (Romans 8:18)

"To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in His Steps." (1 Peter 2:21)