The Great Gratitude Challenge: Thanking God for every good thing.

John 1:1–5, 14; Micah 5:2; Isaiah 9:6–7; Isaiah 7:14–15

DAY 1

Hope You Can Trust

Read Romans 15:13

Have you ever hoped for something really badly? Maybe you hoped for snow, a good grade, or a special gift. Sometimes those things happen, and sometimes they do not.

God's kind of hope is different. It is not just wishing for something. It is trusting that God keeps His promises.

Long before Jesus was born, God promised He would send a Savior. Hundreds of years later, God kept that promise exactly as He said He would. That means we can trust Him with the promises He makes to us today too.

When life feels difficult, hope reminds us that God is still working, even when we cannot see it yet.

Hope hunt:

Today, whenever you see a star, a light, or something yellow, stop and say: "God keeps His promises!"

See how many times you can remember throughout the day.





DAY 2

God Always Keeps His Promises

Read Psalm 33:4

Imagine if someone promised to meet you at the playground but never showed up. That would be disappointing! Thankfully, God is not like that.

Everything God says is true. When God promised to send Jesus, He kept that promise. Prophets like Isaiah and Micah told people about Jesus hundreds of years before He was born. Then, at exactly the right time, Jesus came.

That reminds us that God always does what He says He will do.

When you feel worried, scared, or unsure, you can remember that God is faithful. He has never broken a promise, and He never will!

Draw a Promise:

Draw a picture of something God has given you that shows He cares for you. (Examples: family, friends, pets, food, church, nature)

There's More! ⟶

DAY 3

Hope Holds Us Steady

Read Hebrews 6:19

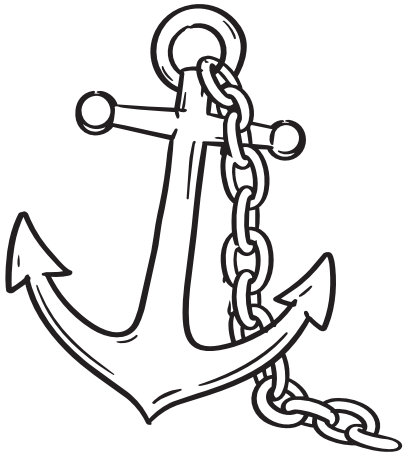
An anchor helps keep a boat from drifting away. Hope works a little like an anchor for our hearts.

Life does not always go the way we want. Sometimes we get disappointed. Sometimes things feel unfair or difficult. But hope helps us remember that God is still in control.

Jesus came to rescue us, and because of Him, we know that God is working out His good plan. Even when things are hard today, we can trust that God will make everything right one day.

Anchor:

Around the anchor, write or draw things that remind you of God's hope, like Jesus, prayer, family, church, or the Bible.



DAY 4

Jesus Is Our Hope

Read John 14:1

God's plan to send Jesus shows us something amazing: God always had a rescue plan. Even before people sinned, God knew He would send Jesus to save us.

That means God is never surprised by what happens in our lives. He sees the hard things, the sad things, and the confusing things. And He is still at work.

Because Jesus came, we can have hope no matter what we face. Hope does not mean pretending everything is perfect. Hope means trusting that God loves us, is with us, and will keep His promises.

Hope Light: Turn off the lights and use a flashlight with a trusted adult. Notice how even a small light shines brightly in the darkness. Jesus is our hope and light no matter what happens.

Prayer:

"Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus and giving me hope. Help me trust Your promises and remember that You are always working for my good. In Jesus' name, Amen."



We can thank God for giving us hope.

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