

A Thrill of Hope

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Scripture Reference: Luke 2:8-20

Jesus was the promised hope.

The snake crusher. (Genesis 3:15)

Born from a selected tribe (Genesis 49:8-10) from within a selected people group (Genesis 12:2-3)

Whose birth would be in a specific place. (Micah 5:2)

He would bring a new covenant. (Jeremiah 31:31; Matthew 26:28)

A suffering servant who bore our sins (imperfections), but who conquered the grave. (Isaiah 53:2-12)

Jesus would be preceded by a forerunner.

A voice in the desert preparing the way. (Isaiah 40:3-5; Mark 1:1-8)

The second Elijah to turn the hearts of fathers to their children. (Malachi 4:5-6; Luke 1:13-17; 3:1-18)

Jesus' birth has caused the heavens to react. (Luke 2:9-15)

God deserves praise for this great gift.

The heavenly host (heaven's army) declares peace to those who believe.

Hope is alive in all who have trusted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us. (Romans 5:5 NIV)

- G** God created us to be with Him. (Genesis 1-2)
- O** Our sins separate us from God. (Genesis 3)
- S** Sins cannot be removed by good deeds. (Genesis 4-Malachi)
- P** Paying the price for sin, Jesus died and rose again. (Matthew-Luke)
- E** Everyone who trusts in Him alone has eternal life. (John)
- L** Life with Jesus starts now and lasts forever. (Acts- Revelation)