

THE
GIFT OF
HOPE



Introduction:

When Jesus came into this world,
he was God's message of hope to
hopeless people.



Text: Matthew 9:35-38

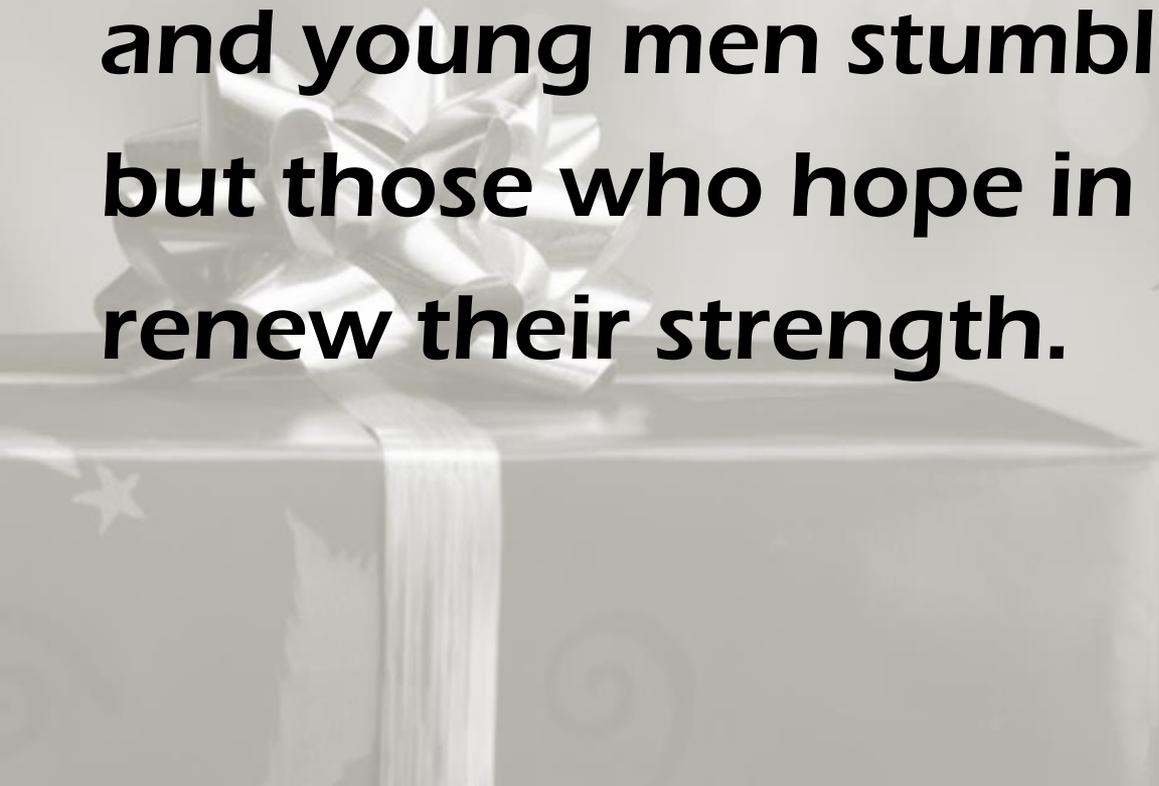
**Do you not know?
Have you not heard?**

**The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.**

**He will not grow tired or weary,
and his understanding no one
can fathom.**

**He gives strength to the weary
and increases the power of the weak.
Even youths grow tired and weary,
and young men stumble and fall;
but those who hope in the LORD will
renew their strength.**

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**They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.**

HOPE
Isaiah 40:28-31



Do you know what it is to feel hopeless?

When we feel hopeless, we believe that:

We're completely **ALONE** in a cold and barren world.

No one **CARES** about us as a

PERSON.

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Do you know what it is to feel hopeless?
When we feel hopeless, we believe that:

Things will never get any **BETTER**
and that the **PAIN** will never go
away.



When we demonstrate love to someone who feels hopeless, we give the gift of:

PRESENCE. “It’s not true that you’re alone, because I’m here!”

CARING. “It’s not true that no one cares, because I care!”

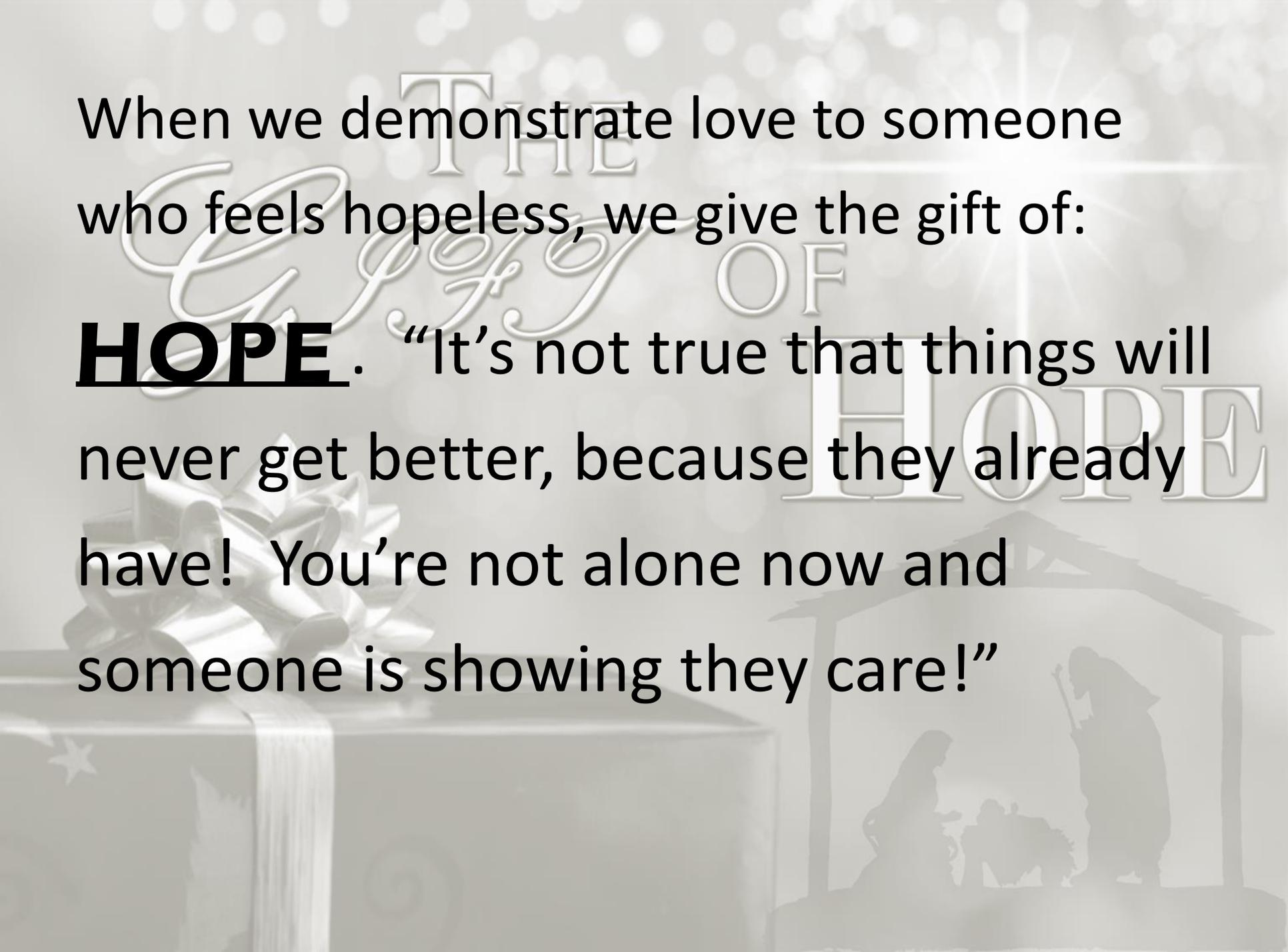
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When we demonstrate love to someone who feels hopeless, we give the gift of:

HOPE. “It’s not true that things will never get better, because they already have! You’re not alone now and someone is showing they care!”



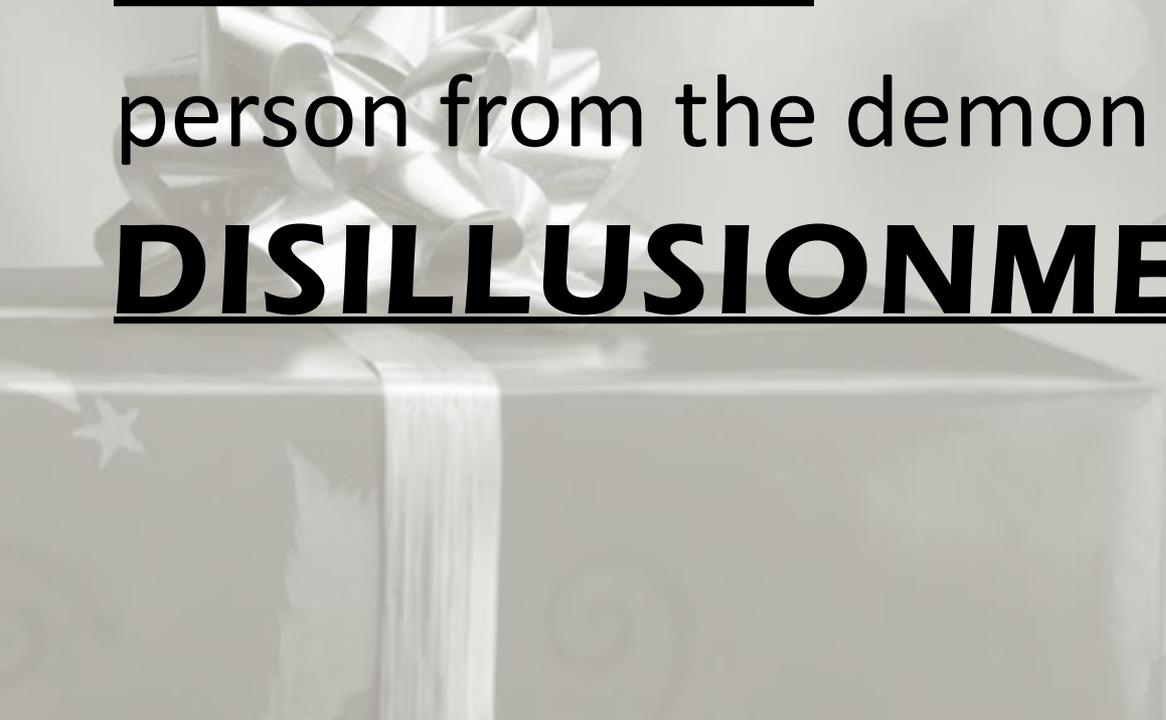
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*These things are EXACTLY
what God has done for us!*



If you've ever felt hopeless, you know
that giving hope can be incredibly easy!
A single act of unexpected
KINDNESS can liberate a
person from the demon of
DISILLUSIONMENT!

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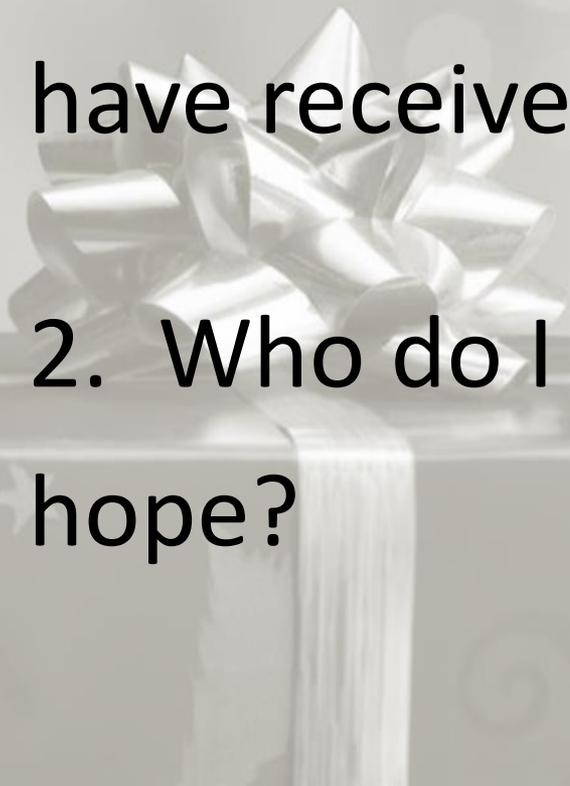
Are you willing to pray with me until we can answer these 3 questions?

1. Will I pass ahead the gift of hope I have received from God?

2. Who do I see who needs that gift of hope?

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Are you willing to pray with me until
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3. How can I show that person that I
truly care about them?

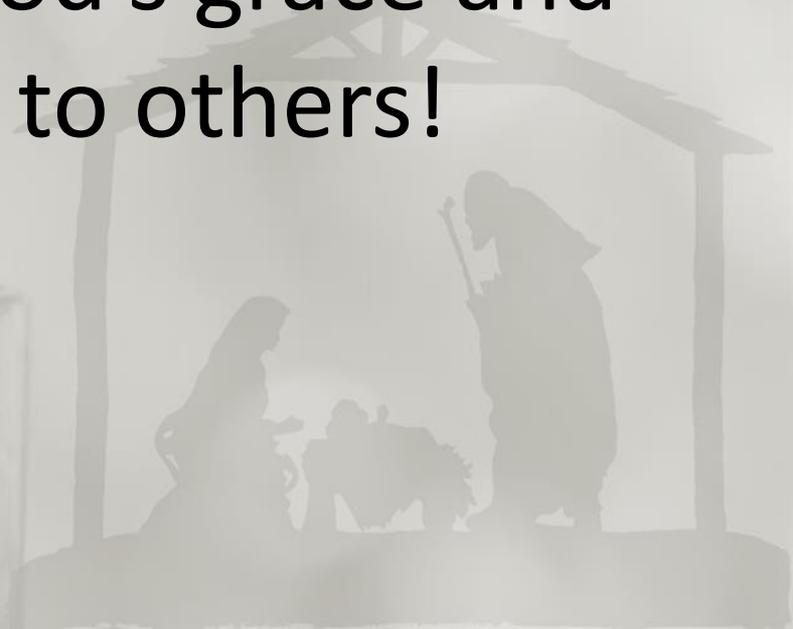
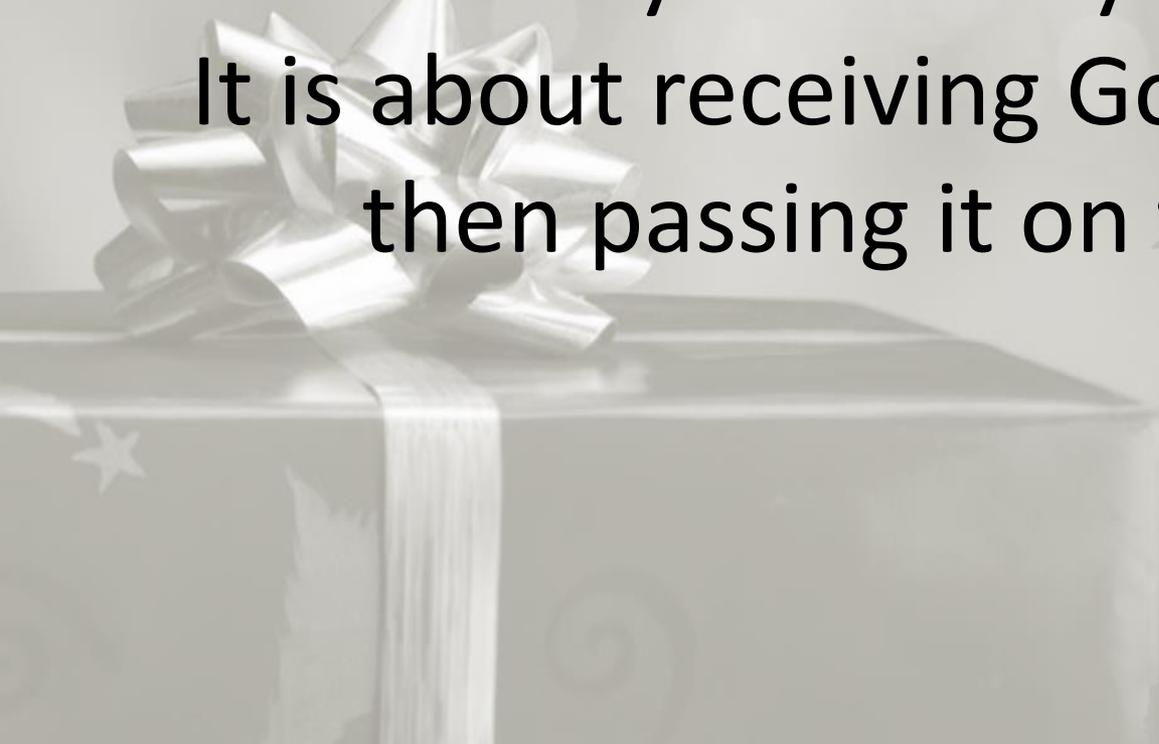


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Conclusion:

Christianity is actually pretty simple.
It is about receiving God's grace and
then passing it on to others!



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