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## ***What vs. Who*** **Where does our hope go?**

It is so easy to put our hope in what is easiest and what feels safe. In decision-making, interesting seasons and choices, often what our hope can be in is the option that has the most clarity. Whereas in *Hebrews 11* it talks about *faith being the confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what **we do not see***.

It is emphasized so clearly that sometimes our faith can be in what we see, in what we know, in the certainty. But faith is actually in the doubt, in the stillness, in the uncertainty. When we find that our faith is in what we have clarity on, our faith turns in to **WHAT** we have our hope in vs. **WHO** we have our hope in.

Let this be an encouragement throughout whatever season you find yourself in, to have your hope founded in our God who doesn't work in the ways we expect Him to. He is the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. His word never goes void and his promises always stand firm.

### **Jeremiah 29:11**

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

### **Isaiah 40:31**

"but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

### **2 Corinthians 4:17-18**

"For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."

### **Joshua 10:25**

"Joshua said to them, "Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Be strong and courageous. This is what the LORD will do to all the enemies you are going to fight."

### **Romans 5:5**

"And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us."