

**Greg Mohr – 3/17/13**

**Today's message: "The Resurrection of Hope"**

Romans 4:18

<sup>18</sup>who, contrary to hope, in hope believed, so that he became the father of many nations, according to what was spoken, "So shall your descendants be."

Proverbs 13:12

<sup>12</sup>Hope deferred makes the heart sick, But *when* the desire comes, *it is* a tree of life.

Hebrews 11:1

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Revelation 1:8-20

<sup>8</sup>"I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the Beginning and the End,*" says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

<sup>9</sup>I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

<sup>10</sup>I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet,

<sup>11</sup>saying, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last," and, "What you see, write in a book and send *it* to the seven churches which are in Asia: to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamos, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea."

<sup>12</sup>Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands,

<sup>13</sup>and in the midst of the seven lampstands *One* like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band.

<sup>14</sup>His head and hair *were* white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire;

<sup>15</sup>His feet *were* like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters;

<sup>16</sup>He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance *was* like the sun shining in its strength.

<sup>17</sup>And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last.

<sup>18</sup>I *am* He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.

<sup>19</sup>Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this.

<sup>20</sup>The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches.

Five (5) Facts about Jesus' visitation to John that will resurrect your hope:

1. You can never be so isolated or alone that Jesus cannot find you
2. You can never be so bound by an enemy that Jesus cannot visit and free you
3. You can never be so limited by circumstances that His Spirit cannot lift you to new vision
4. You can never be too mature or undeserving to receive fresh revelation from heaven
5. It's never too late and you're never too old for Jesus to resurrect your dream and give you new kingdom assignments