Zechariah 9: 11-12 As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit. 12 Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

Enemy prisons – fear, anger, inferiority, self-reliance, depression, judgement, rejection, false comfort, addiction, hopelessness.

Great news! Jesus sets the prisoners free.

Luke 4:18
The Spirit of the Lord is on me...
He has sent me to proclaim
freedom for the prisoners...
to set the oppressed free

Zechariah 9:12

Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope





God's fortresses – hope, peace, faith, his love, joy, generosity.



Romans 15:13

I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.



'If there is any area of your life that does not glisten with hope then you are believing a lie and that area is a stronghold of the devil in your life.'

Steve Backlund 'Hopelessness about a problem is a bigger problem than the problem.'



James 5:16

Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. *The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces* wonderful results.



2 Corinthians 10:4
We use God's mighty weapons, not worldly weapons, to knock down the strongholds of human reasoning and to destroy false arguments.



Not hoping for the best but putting our hope confidently in God



Because of Jesus, you are good news to every hopeless person you know.

- God is your fortress of hope be his prisoner!
- Pray
- Journey with God to root out hopelessness in your own life
- Be a warrior for hope and a carrier of hope in Jesus for those around you



Thank you, Jesus, for being my hope in every hopeless place in my life.

Thank you, Jesus, that you living in me means I am good news to everyone in my life who feels hopeless.

Thank you, Father God, that you are more than willing to answer Paul's prayer to fill me completely with joy and peace because I trust in you, now, today, right here.

Thank you, Holy Spirit that by your power I am a place on the earth where confident hope overflows.