# Full of hope



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### The road on raising our expectations

### 2 COR 5:17

If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.
The old has passed away; behold, the new has come



### Sanctification

Sanctification is the transformative process by which the Holy Spirit, through our surrendered cooperation, purifies and separates us unto God, conforming us to the image of Christ, and empowering us to live a holy and set-apart life, reflecting the nature and glory of God in all we do.

#### Sanctification

Transformative Process: 2 Cor 3:18 Holy Spirit's Work: 1 Thes 5:23 Surrendered Cooperation: Rom 12:1 Purification and Separation: Rom 6:22 Conform to Image of Christ: Rom 8:29 Living a Holy Life: 1 Pet 1:15-16 Reflect God's Nature & Glory: 2 Cor 3:18

# Relational exchange

Desiring something entirely apart from a relational exchange with God will lead to idolatry

-Petri Voges (Not Francis Chan)

# Worship flows from your heart





## Wrong ways to worship God

God rebuked the Israelites for offering sacrifices without genuine hearts of obedience (Is 1:10-17, Amos 5:21-24).

Jesus also confronted religious leaders who engaged in outward displays of worship but lacked true righteousness and love for God (Matt 15:8-9, Matt 23:25-28).

### The mystery of

Worship
We don't present anything new to Him

We do not add to his glory in our worship

God does not need our worship and yet He condemns those who do it wrong

He provides guidance and instruction on how He desires to be worshiped



Intimacy with God is the ultimate goal of our worship. It is in the secret place of communion with Him that we find true satisfaction and fulfillment for our souls

- John Wesley

## When we approach Him

our hope is in whom He says he is, whom he says we are, what He will do, what we will do what his bride will become

We HOPE in his promises!





**Ps 16:11** You make known to me the path of life; in Your **presence**, there is **fullness** of joy

The words "in Your presence" can be translated as "before Your face" in the original text

"fullness" literally means "enough to satisfy"



**Ps 27:8:** When You said, 'Seek My face,' my heart said to You, 'O LORD, I will seek Your face.

When we seek his face, when we hope in his promises we are fulfilled.

The abundance of God will never leave you lacking any good thing!

### Our firm foundation

Jer 9:24 But let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things, I delight, declares the LORD.

Luk 10:20 But don't rejoice because evil spirits obey you; rejoice because your names are registered in heaven.



## Let's Pray

Lord, here I am. You told me to seek Your face: and so, I am seeking Your face. I don't know exactly what it means, but I ask You to reveal Yourself to me. I need to know You personally, face-to-face: the real You, not some projected image or one I already have in my mind.

Here I am, this is me. I am helpless and incapable of pleasing you with the help of your Spirit. Show me Yourself, in any facet that will pierce through any deception and false religion. I need You more than solutions, more than answers, more than guidance, more than a blessing, more than anything, I need You. Just You. Here I am. Please, show me Yourself.