

Westside Baptist Church Bible Study

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Lamentations 3:19-24

Amplified Bible (AMP)

Hope of Relief in God's Mercy

- ¹⁹ Remember [O LORD] my affliction and my wandering, the wormwood and the gall (bitterness).
- ²⁰ My soul *continually* remembers them And is bowed down within me.
- ²¹ But this I call to mind, Therefore I have hope.
- ²² It is because of the LORD'S loving-kindnesses that we are not consumed, Because His [tender] compassions never fail.
- ²³ They are new every morning; Great *and* beyond measure is Your faithfulness.
- ²⁴ "The LORD is my portion *and* my inheritance," says my soul; "Therefore I have hope in Him *and* wait expectantly for Him."

Living Bible (TLB)

- ¹⁹Oh, remember the bitterness and suffering you have dealt to me!
- ²⁰ For I can never forget these awful years; always my soul will live in utter shame.



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- ²¹ Yet there is one ray of hope:
- ²² his compassion never ends. It is only the Lord's mercies that have kept us from complete destruction.
- ²³ Great is his faithfulness; his loving-kindness begins afresh each day.
- ²⁴ My soul claims the Lord as my inheritance; therefore I will hope in him.

The Message (MSG)

It's a Good Thing to Hope for Help from God

¹⁹⁻²¹ I'll never forget the trouble, the utter lostness, the taste of ashes, the poison I've swallowed. I remember it all—oh, how well I remember—the feeling of hitting the bottom. But there's one other thing I remember, and remembering, I keep a grip on hope:

²²⁻²⁴ God's loyal love couldn't have run out, his merciful love couldn't have dried up. They're created new every morning. How great your faithfulness! I'm sticking with God (I say it over and over). He's all I've got left.

New Living Translation (NLT)

- ¹⁹ The thought of my suffering and homelessness is bitter beyond words. [a]
- ²⁰ I will never forget this awful time, as I grieve over my loss.
- ²¹ Yet I still dare to hope when I remember this:



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- ²² The faithful love of the LORD never ends! His mercies never cease.
- ²³ Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each morning.
- ²⁴ I say to myself, "The LORD is my inheritance; therefore, I will hope in him!"

The Voice (VOICE)

- ¹⁹ *Grievous* thoughts of affliction and wandering plagued my mind—*great* bitterness and gall.
- ²⁰ Grieving, my soul thinks back; these thoughts cripple, and I sink down.
- ²¹ Gaining hope, I remember *and wait for* this thought:
- ²² How enduring is God's loyal love; the Eternal has inexhaustible compassion.
- ²³ Here they are, every morning, new! Your faithfulness, *God*, is *as* broad *as the day*.
- ²⁴ Have courage, for the Eternal is all that I will need. My soul boasts, "Hope in God; just wait."