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²¹ And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, engaged in evil deeds, ²² yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach— ²³ if indeed you continue in the faith firmly established and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel that you have heard, which was proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, was made a minister.

Focal Truth:

I hope in God because of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Observations:

1. I continue to hope in the gospel because Jesus Christ has reconciled me to God while I was hostile toward God. – Col. 1:21
2. I continue to hope in the gospel because Jesus Christ justified me before God through His death on the cross. – Col. 1:22
3. I continue to hope in the gospel firmly trusting in Jesus Christ for the rest of my life. – Col. 1:23

Things to Remember:

1. The good news of the gospel of salvation in Jesus Christ builds hopefulness.
2. Salvation through the cross of Christ Jesus is permanent, never changing.
3. Hope in the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ sustains me in the trials of life.
4. Believers are secure and never fall away because they live by faith in Jesus Christ.

Daily Use:

1. Ask yourself: Am I hopeful today because I have believed the gospel of Jesus Christ?
2. Think often on the power of the cross of Jesus Christ that saves sinners.
3. Have you fallen away? Have you had religious feelings but have never repented and put faith in Jesus Christ?
4. Come to Jesus Christ and live by faith all the days of your life – hope in the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.



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