







1. Abraham built his hope on God's character and promise.

Hebrews 6:18-19 (NIV)

¹⁸ God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope offered to us may be greatly encouraged.

¹⁹ We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure...

2. Mary and Joseph built their hope on God's character and promise.

Luke 1:30-31 (NIV)

³⁰ But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God.

³¹ You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus.

2. Mary and Joseph built their hope on God's character and promise.

Luke 1:32-33 (NIV)

³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³ and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."

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Matthew 1:20 (NIV)

²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

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Matthew 1:21 (NIV)

²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

3. What are you hoping for?

- Financial stability
- A happy marriage and family
- Good grades on your final exams
- Good physical health
- A comfortable retirement

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1 Thessalonians 4:13-14 (NLT)

¹³ And now, brothers and sisters, I want you to know what will happen to the Christians who have died so you will not be full of sorrow like people who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus comes, God will bring back with Jesus all the Christians who have died.

4. What are you building your hope on?

John 1:12 (NIV)

¹² Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

4. What are you building your hope on?

Matthew 7:24-25 (NIV)

²⁴ "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.

4. What are you building your hope on?

**My hope is built on nothing less than
Jesus blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but
wholly lean on Jesus name.**

**Chorus: On Christ the solid rock, I
stand; All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.**

4. What are you building your hope on?

**When darkness seems to hide His face, I
rest on His unchanging grace; In every
high and stormy gale, My anchor holds
within the veil.**

**Chorus: On Christ the solid rock, I
stand; All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.**

4. What are you building your hope on?

**His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood; When
all around my soul gives way, He then is
all my hope and stay.**

**Chorus: On Christ the solid rock, I
stand; All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.**

4. What are you building your hope on?

**When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh may I then in Him be found; Dressed
in His righteousness alone, Faultless to
stand before the throne.**

**Chorus: On Christ the solid rock, I
stand; All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.**
