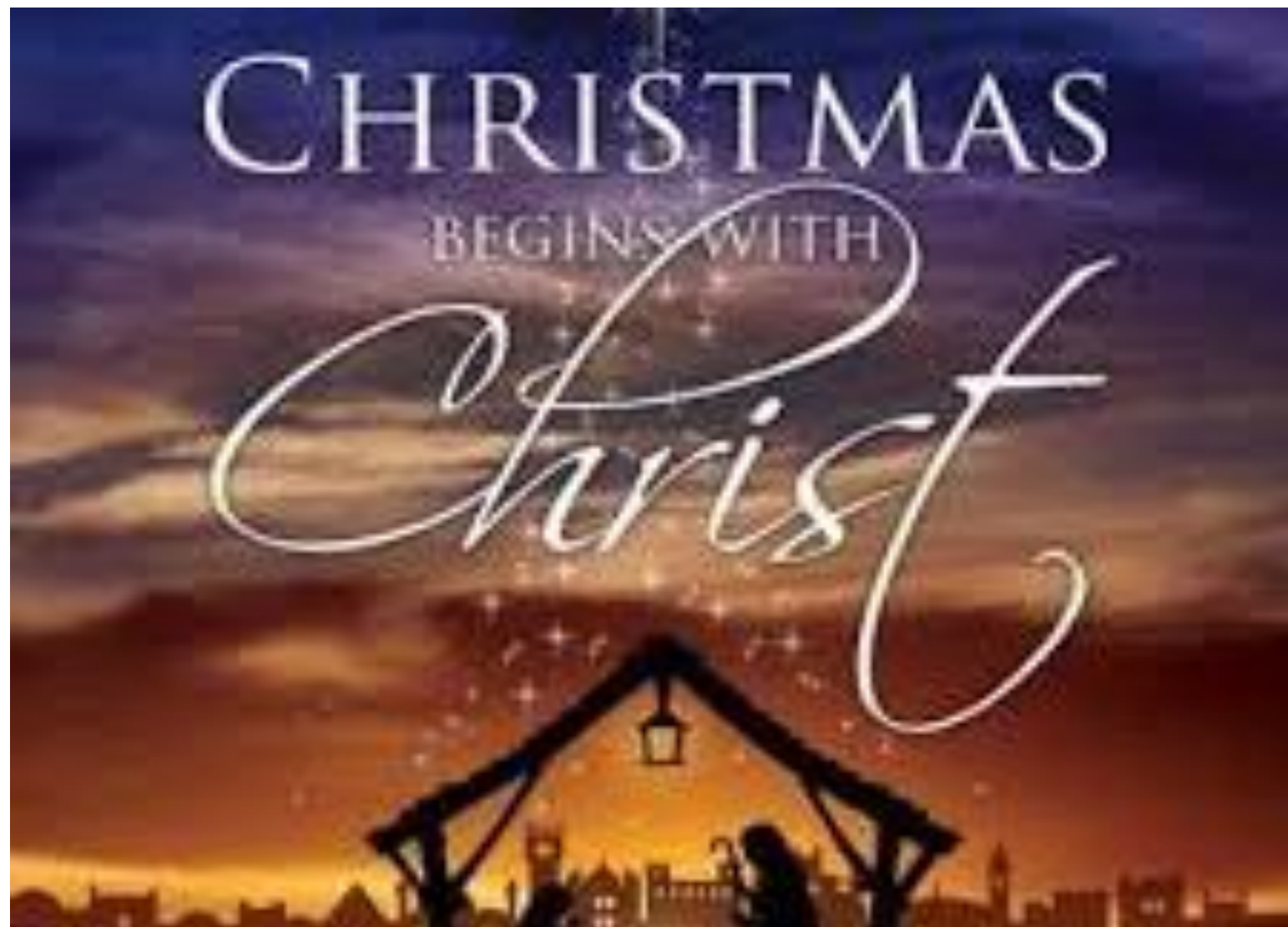
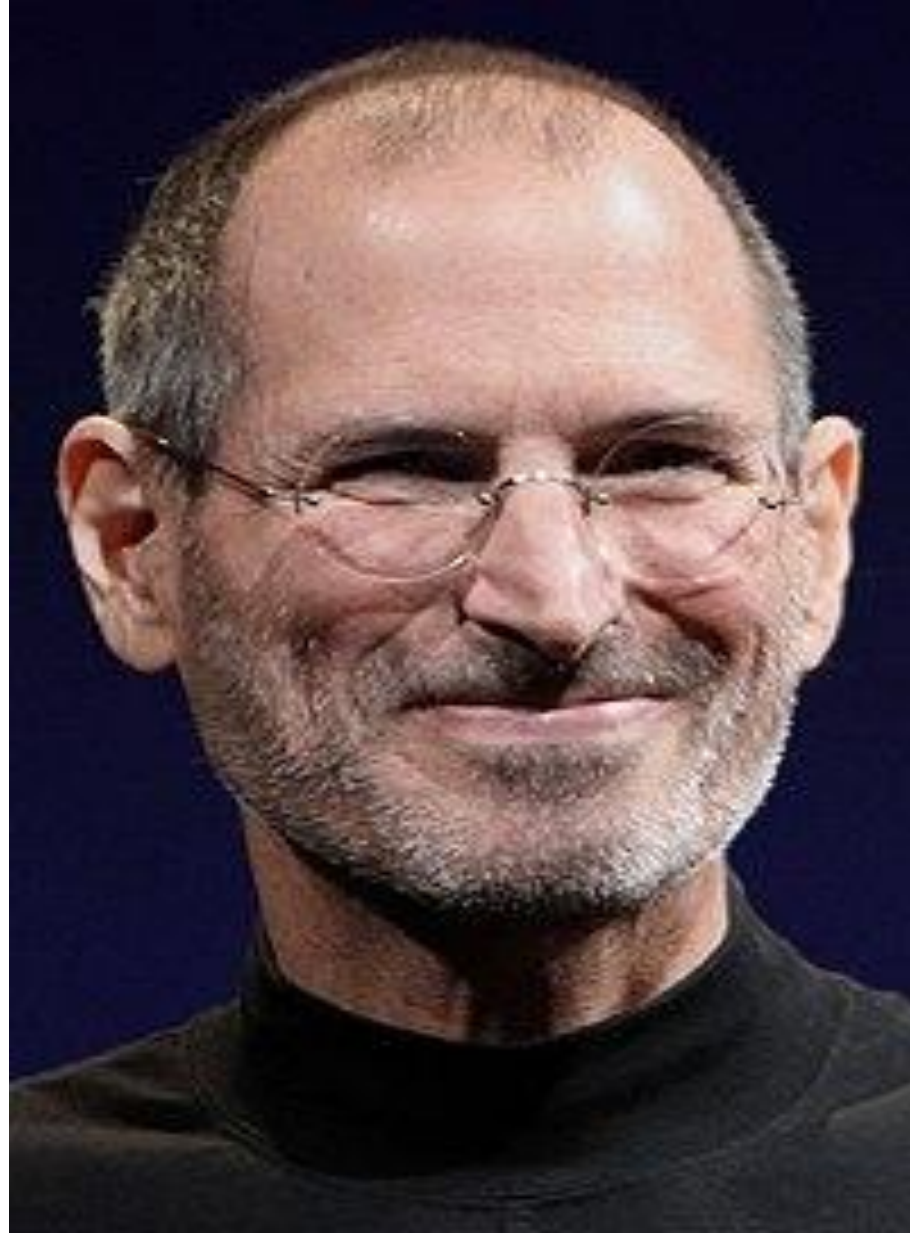


CHRISTMAS

BEGINS WITH

*Christ*





STEVE JOBS (2011)



**JOHNNY CASH (2003)**



**BOB HOPE (2003)**

# America's Troubles

- No Jobs
- No Cash
- No Hope

Without hope and without God  
in this world

EPHESIANS 2:13



FAITH JESUS  
PROMISE GRACE  
TRUST COMING  
LOVE FATHER  
MESSIAH  
GOD BIRTH  
CHRIST TRUST  
LIGHT SON  
KING PEACE  
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# WHAT IS HOPE?

- Is an optimistic **state of mind** that is based on an expectation of *positive outcomes* with respect to events and circumstances in one's life or the world at large.
- A feeling of expectation and desire for a particular thing to happen or to be true
- To cherish a desire with anticipation
- To expect with confidence..future



P A K A T A N  
HARAPAN



## 4 “listings” of HOPE

- **No Hope**
- **Lost Hope**
- **False Hope**
- **Real Hope? Biblical Hope**

# Hope can be based on..

- Government
- Man's promises
- Education & Job
- Physical Abilities
- Financial resources and plan
- Children

This kind of hope is not guaranteed because it is based on people or circumstances, these are subject to changes.

# Biblical Hope

- An **optimistic assurance** that the expectation will be fulfilled.
- Is guaranteed because it is based on God's unchanging Word and anchored in Christ Jesus
- Hebrews 6:19 We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.

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# How to have that guaranteed HOPE?

Roman 15:4,13

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- For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us (*for our instruction*) so that through the endurance (*steadfast, patient*) and encouragement (*comfort*) of the Scriptures we might have hope

NOW MAY THE GOD OF HOPE

fill you with all joy and peace in  
believing, that you may abound in

*Hope*

by the power of the Holy Spirit.



ROMANS 15:13

**Biblical Hope comes from**

1. Regular reading and studying of Scripture
2. Trusting in the God of hope, Who fills us with joy & peace
3. By the power of the Holy Spirit



# Hope = PERSON

- Endurance (steadfast, patience, perseverance)  
Encouragement (comfort) of Scripture which points us to the God of all hope.
- John 5:39 ...Scripture testify about Jesus
- John 5:46 If you believed in Moses, you would believe in me, for he wrote about me
- Luke 24:27 And beginning with Moses & the Prophets, He explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning Himself.

# Read the Bible, believe, relying on the Spirit

- Scriptures speak of Jesus. Jn5:39,46. Lk24:27
- There are 31102 biblical verses (AV), of which 5467 verses are promises
- For no matter how many promises God has made they are “YES” in Christ Jesus 2Cor 1:20
- JESUS OUR HOPE OF GLORY Col1:27

# END NOTE

- The ministry that Jesus has received is as superior to theirs (priests) as the covenant of which He(Jesus) is the mediator is superior to the old one based on better promises.

Hebrews 8:6



# New Covenant

- The first covenant imposes law from the without, the new covenant put its law from within through the power of the Holy Spirit.(Jer 31:33)
- Old covenant depends on faithfulness of man in keeping the commandments of God
- New covenant depends on God's faithfulness to keep His promises to us.



We have this hope, sure and  
steadfast anchor for our soul