**Jesus Changes Everything: “Jesus Changes our Hope” – Part 1**

**Matthew 27:11-54**

**Hope – Confident expectation in the Lord.**

**I. The innocent dies for the guilty.** (Matthew 27:11-26)

*“For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”* 2 Corinthians 5:21

**II. The humble dies for the proud.** (Matthew 27:27-44)

 *“Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. ...just as David speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works.* Romans 4:4,6

*“Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered;*

*Blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.”* Romans 4:7-8

**III. The accepted dies for the rejected.** (Matthew 27:45-54)

*“He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all….”* Romans 8:32

*“….but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.”* I Peter 1:19

**The daily results of living in our hope:**

**1. We live with confidence in our relationship with God.**

*“And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.”* Philippians 1:6

**2. We can approach God with confidence at any time.**

*“……through faith in Christ we may approach God with freedom and confidence.”* Ephesians 3:12

**3. We confidently proclaim the Gospel.**

*“For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes…”* Romans 1:16

**4. We live with the confidence that Jesus lived.**

*“Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.”* I John 2:6

**5. Our children can take refuge in our confidence.**

*“In the fear of the Lord one has strong confidence and his children will have a refuge.”* Proverbs 14:26