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## Hope

Mal 3:2,3 speaks about a day that is coming on the face of the earth, a day that is already here, that the covenant will be proclaimed. A messenger of the covenant will once again bring the message of what it means to make a covenant. This is talking about the covenant we made. It is a covenant of life, delivering us from eternal death. And with that covenant, the word of God will be spoken and it will purify the priests, but, who will be able to stand that purification. In Jn 3:2,3 it talks about that purification. We will not be able to stand in the day of purification if we don't have that hope in us. If you have that hope<sup>1</sup> in you, it means you have unshakable confidence of the coming back of our Master YAHSHUA. If we have that hope we will be able to stand in that day when the purification comes about. And to the degree we have hope is the degree we can be purified (are purified). And the more we can be purified, the more we can<sup>2</sup> come to know Him and can be steadfast. So when troubles and hard times come we can trust our Master YAHSHUA and can be purified. We are purifying ourselves because of the hope we have.<sup>3</sup> When He comes, we will be like Him because we can see Him as He is. Unless we are purified we can never be able to marry Him. Phil 3:8-13 talks about coming to know Him. Paul said he puts the past behind him and counts it worthless. Paul said he is coming to know Him.

We are going to be part of the first resurrection. We are going to have life in that resurrection. That means we must have that hope. How else could we be able to endure? Rev 20:4-6 talks about people having their head cut off in those rough days ahead of us. They will put their head in the guillotine and it will be chopped off and, for a split second, their eyes can stare up at their decapitated neck. In order to endure these things we have to have that hope in us. You have to know Him and have steadfast hope of His coming. You must have hope. It is those who have this hope, and are able to endure, who can reign with Him for a thousand years. Rom 5:2 — We have the hope of the glory of God — the very purpose we were created for can then be realized.

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<sup>1</sup>hope (Gk 1680) — to look forward to something with confidence of fulfillment; expect with desire; a desire supported by confidence of its fulfillment; a ground for expectation or trust; that which is desired or anticipated; that in which one places one's confidence.

Prov 10:28; 11:7; 13:12; 14:32;

(8431 Heb) — To wait with patience in hope with expectation. 2 Tim 4:8. To anticipate with faith; to look forward to with confidence. 1 Jn 2:27,28; 4:17; 2 Cor 7:1; 1 Jn 3:3; Rom 5:4,5; 8:24; 12:12; 15:4,13; 1 Cor 9:10; Eph 1:18; 2:12; 4:4; Tit 2:13; 3:7; 1 Pet 3:15.

<sup>2</sup>can — The meaning of 'can' is — possession of a specified power, right or means. And what is that specified power, right or means we possess? that gives us the ability to do what we could not do before?

<sup>3</sup>have — to be in possession of — as one's property.

Just remember, the wise understand and the wicked don't. (The wise can but the wicked cannot.) If you don't understand it is because you have a wicked heart. If you do understand, it is because it was given to you to understand.