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To Hope: To Wait

The Bible word for “hope” is also wait.”

Also means qavah...to wait with eagerness to be expectant. Also mean to bind itself together in the way a rope twists itself together. This results in power and strength for the person waiting and the object of its hope in waiting.

Let us go to Isaiah 40:31: “Yet those who wait for the LORD will gain new strength.” Waiting on the Lord allows us to twist ourselves with God thereby gain His strength in us.

Also means yachal=to linger...to hope...to wait around

This posture and attitude will and can result in endurance while going through trials, and difficulty. The adhering of hope and qavah is the twisting of our faith and trust in Him...whom we wait on!

“Hope in God, for I shall again praise Him” (Psalm 42:11).

The word tiqvah similarly means hope, expectation, or a cord. This word comes from the same root as qavah but used as a noun. Sometimes it means “cord/rope” (Joshua 2:18). It is also the name of the Israeli national anthem, Hatikvah (The Hope). The main point to takeaway is that in the Bible, the words “wait” and “hope” are one and the same.

The Righteous Are Those Who Wait

One of the primary defining characteristics of the righteous throughout the Old Testament is their relationship to the Lord and specifically their posture of faith toward His promises. (Joel Richardson’s)

Psalm 25:3 says: “Indeed, none of those who wait for You will be ashamed; those who deal treacherously without cause will be ashamed.”

Whether the moment after death, or on the day of judgment, those who have chosen to live a life of hope, rather than being disappointed, will rejoice beyond measure. The “treacherous,” however, will be covered in shame. The righteous have always been defined as those who, throughout this life, cling to God’s faithfulness even when they cannot yet see His deliverance. Shame does not await those who eagerly long for God’s salvation.

Prayer: Father we wait on You! We hope in You! We allow our faith and our desire to twine itself in You and Your desire. We let our hearts join yours... this the only way to see you...