

Awakening My Attitude

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."
Jeremiah 29:11 NIV

God's encouragement allows me to

- **Have strength for each day**

... those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength...
Isaiah 40:31 NIV

- **Stay positive about the future**

So be truly glad! There is wonderful joy ahead, even though the going is rough for a while down here.
1 Peter 1:6 TLB

- **Let go of negative stress**

I find rest in God; only He gives me hope.
Psalm 62:5 NCV

- **Maintain my integrity**

So all people who have this confidence in Christ keep themselves pure, as Christ is pure.
1 John 3:3 GWT

How to ignite my enthusiasm

1. Choose daily renewal

But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."
Luke 10:41-42

But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew their strength...
Isaiah 40:31

2. Believe God's truth about life

I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world. John 16:33 NCV

We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they are good for us —they help us learn to be patient. Romans 5:3

3. Praise my way through problems

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

...we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. Romans 5:3-4

4. Patiently trust God's timing

...if we must keep trusting God for something that hasn't happened yet, it teaches us to wait patiently and confidently. Romans 8:25

And let us not get tired of doing what is right, for after a while we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't get discouraged and give up. Galatians 6:9

5. Celebrate God's victory

...don't try to squirm out of your problems. For when your patience is finally in full bloom, then you will be ready for anything, strong in character, full and complete. James 1:4

In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...

1 Peter 1:3 NIV

Because I live, you also will live.

John 14:19

But I have hope when I think of this: The Lord's love never ends; His mercies never stop.

Lamentations 3:21-22