Romans 12:12

Intro. (Romans 12:21; Psalm 31:24)

- I. <u>Hope</u> (Romans 5:1-2; 8:24; 2 Timothy 3:13; Titus 2:13-14)
 - A. Stop

Indulging in false hope (Proverbs 13:12a)

- * Stop hoping in the wrong things.
- B. Recognize

Short term uncertainty (James 4:13-15; (2 Corinthians 5:6-9)

- * Hope in faith.
- C. Rejoice

Long term security

God (Titus 2:13; 1 Timothy 6:17-19)

Heaven (Romans 8:23-24; 2 Corinthians 5:2; Matthew 6:19-21)

- * Rejoice in hope.
- II. <u>Persevere</u>

In tribulation (2 Corinthians 1:7-9; Romans 8:18)

Job (Job 42:5, 2:9)

Romans 12:21; Romans 5:3-5

III. Pray

Constantly (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Ephesians 6:18; Psalm 105:4)

Jesus' teaching (Luke 18:1, 21:36)

Privilege (Hebrews 4:14-16)

Pray for leaders (1 Timothy 2:1-2a)

* If My people... (2 Chronicles 7:11-14)

Principle

* Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:6:7a, 9-15)

Order

Be humble, turn your anxiety over to God (1 Peter 5:5b)

Romans 12:12 - Rejoice in hope, endure in suffering, persist in prayer.

Rejoice in Hope

Persevere in Tribulation

Pray Constantly

Your action point(s): _____

Offering

Communion - our hope lies in what Jesus did on the cross