

Hold On - April 3, 2016 - Hold On....There is Hope

## Introduction

Storms (Hard Times) will come to every life. The Storms are no respecter of age, ethnicity, or economics.

- The Storms of our lives are construction sites. (This perspective can make a difference in how you feel about the storm and how you react during the storm)
- They are allowed by our Heavenly Father to build our Faith.
- Someone said, "At the end of the storm you have the choice to be Better or Bitter".

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1. What are your thoughts about HOPE?
- 2. What are some of your experiences with HOPE or HOPELESSNESS?
- 3. Have you ever read or studied the story of Job. It is a book in the Bible by that name? What did it mean to you? How do you think he survived all that went through?
- 4. If God has given us a formula for HOPE, are you willing to commit yourself to finding out what it is and how to use it?

## **Moving Forward**

Spend time each day this week reading Romans 5:3. As you read it, make notes and think about the subject of HOPE. Someone said, "Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness". Sometimes the darkness of life closes in around us so thick we feel we are going to suffocate, but HOPE is the light at the end of the tunnel. That is why we use the phrase, "a ray of HOPE". Zig Ziglar said, "You can make positive deposits in your own economy every day by reading and listening to powerful, positive, life-changing content and by associating with encouraging and hope-building people". HOLD ON....THERE IS HOPE!!!

## **Changing Your Mind - Commit this to memory**

Don't just commit this to memory--Study it and learn through the Hold On Series to navigate through each step that leads to Hope. There is no way to put a value on HOPE in our lives. It literally can sometimes mean the difference between life and death.

"And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope." Romans 5:3-4 NKJV











