

HOPE WITH US | WEEK #04

Hope after Apathy | December 3rd

Anchor Verse: We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. Hebrews 6:19

WHAT'S THE ISSUE ANYWAY?

What do you do when your hope slips into _____?

Rage is born when expectations and lived experiences don't _____.

Rage gives way to _____ when we see no alternative pathway or cannot adjust our goal.

The final destination in the loss of hope is _____.

Apathy is the opposite of hope: the _____ of what is unacceptable.

WHAT WISDOM DOES JOHN 1:1-9 OFFER US?

John used two powerful themes from Isaiah: The _____ and the _____.

For John, the _____ of God was the pathway for peace on earth.

John the Baptist was an icon of hope _____ amidst the rage, despair, and apathy of his nation.

DON'T MISS THIS!

Hope requires harnessing _____ and acting _____ to overcome apathy.

HOW CAN I LIVE THIS IN MY EVERY DAY, NORMAL LIFE?

What in your personal life have you accepted that is _____?

Where are you on the _____ in that area?

How could you focus your rage and act courageously to _____ your unacceptable?

HOW DOES THIS MAKE ME A BETTER PERSON AND THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE?

Rage and courage focused in the direction of love insures that the _____ will never
overwhelm the _____ of our souls.

WHAT IS GOD INVITING YOU INTO TODAY?

1. To no longer accept what is unacceptable in my personal life.
2. To set a new goal and focus my rage and courage towards reaching that goal.
3. Join the Advent Journey.

THOUGHT PROVOKING QUESTIONS:

1. Have you ever experienced anger or rage when your lived reality did not match your expectations? If so, what was that like for you? How did it affect your life?
2. What mountains and valleys stand in the way of your hopes and dreams?
3. How does the word "Rage" hit your ears? Does it make you nervous to think about having rage?
4. What have you accepted that you truly believe is unacceptable for you and your future? What is one clear and simple step you can take to begin rewriting that unacceptable truth?
5. What words would you use to describe the feeling of night in your soul? How about the feeling of light in your soul?

