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Recharging My Batteries 1/19-20/2019

Hope...

It's an assurance that God is in control of life and my life and that no matter if good or bad happens, He is in charge and it is OK.

*But as for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and more.
Psalm 71:14 (NIV)*

The disciples of John the Baptist told John about everything Jesus was doing. So John called for two of his disciples, and he sent them to the Lord to ask him, "Are you the one we've been expecting, or should we keep looking for someone else?" Luke 7:18-19

A drained life leads to drained hope.

To recharge my batteries I'll need to

Manage times of growth and rest.

My spiritual is tied up in the physical

The seventh day is a Sabbath day of rest dedicated to the LORD your God. On that day no one in your household may do any work. This includes you, your sons and daughters, your male and female servants, your livestock, and any foreigners living among you. Exodus 20:10

Jesus said to them, "The Sabbath was made to meet the needs of people, and not people to meet the requirements of the Sabbath. Mark 2:27 (NLT2)

Understand the power of worship.

Worship is experiencing, understanding, and appreciating the incredible wonder, power, and love of God in my life.

I am the one who made the earth and created people to live on it. With my hands I stretched out the heavens. All the stars are at my command. Isaiah 45:12 (NLT2)



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"I am the LORD," he says, "and there is no other. I publicly proclaim bold promises. I do not whisper obscurities in some dark corner. Isaiah 45:18-19 (NLT2)

Let all the world look to me for salvation! For I am God; there is no other. The people will declare, "The LORD is the source of all my righteousness and strength." And all who were angry with him will come to him and be ashamed. Isaiah 45:22-24

Work the Bible into my life.

You are my refuge and my shield; I have put my hope in your word. Psalm 119:114 (NIV)

Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. Ephesians 3:20

Build spiritual relationships.

But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. Hebrews 3:13

Pay attention to whose voice you are listening.

For your LifeGroup and growth time.

(note: please see the Hope Changes Everything Growth Guide, available in your Life Group. If you'd like to become part of a Life Group, go to the Welcome Center in the lobby!)

On a scale of 1 to 10, how 'naturally hopeful' are you?

Look at Luke 7:18 and following. Who was John the Baptist? What was happening that would cause him to lose hope?

What drains your hope?

How are you in your "hope" quotient?

Which of the above points do you need to practice the most? Why?

This series taken from Ray Johnston's book "The Hope Quotient"