

LET'S REVIEW:

- Our mission is to "help people experience the hope that is found in a life changing relationship with Jesus"
- Our name, HOPE CITY CHURCH, says to our community that this is a place where hope can be found.

 Our first value: LOVE unconditionally reminds us that if we are to give hope to others we must be committed to loving them with a compassionate love that is without judgment or condemnation ... we love God and then love others



 Our second value: REACH intentionally reminds us that our mission is to extend God's love to a lost and hopeless world. Because Jesus is our hope, we aim to reach every generation with His message of salvation

TODAY:

• Our third value: <u>TEACH transformationally</u> reminds us that God loves us as we are but His desire is for us to grow in faith and mature, becoming more like Jesus

Because Jesus changes lives, we teach scripture to form faithful followers of Jesus

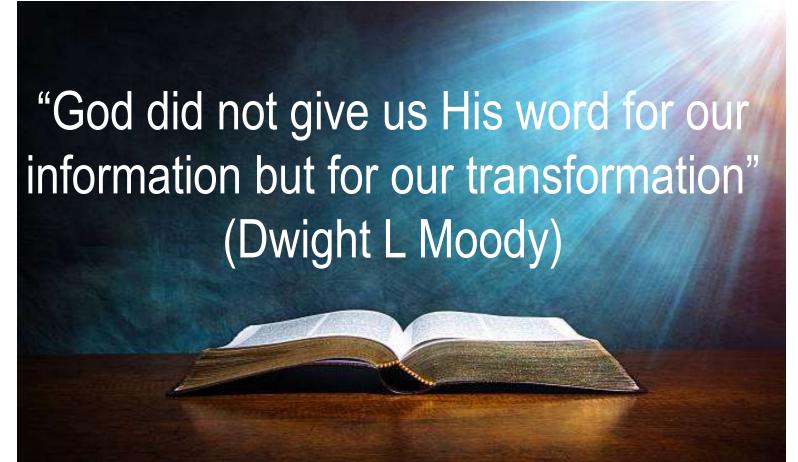


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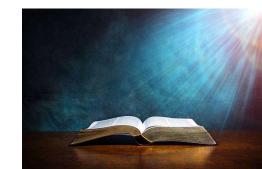
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- → Picture yourself hiking a mountain trail "teaching"= here is the path to walk "reproof"= warning: you are off the path "correction"= direction: how to get back on the path
 - "training in righteousness"= guidance: how to stay on the path

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- The <u>reputation</u> he had in the community: "a scribe skilled in the law of Moses" v6
- The <u>relationship</u> he had with God: "the good hand of His God was upon Him" v6, 9, 28 (also see 8:22)

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- The <u>reason</u> for God's hand of blessing on his life v10- He set his heart to:
 - +Study the word of God
 - +Practice the word of God
 - +Teach the word of God

