**A Thrill of Hope (part #4)**

**Hope In The Savior!**

**Isaiah 9:4-7** “For as in the day of Midian’s defeat**(PAST)**, you have shattered **(PAST/PRESENT)** the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor. **5**Every warrior’s boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined**(FUTURE)** for burning, will be fuel for the fire. **6**For to us a child is born **(PRESENT)**, to us a son is given**(PRESENT)**, and the government will be on his shoulders**(FUTURE)**. And he will be called **(FUTURE)** Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. **7**Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end**(FOREVER)**. He will reign on David’s throne**(FUTURE)** and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on**(FUTURE)** and forever**(ETERNAL)**. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.”

**\*Tense Matters**

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”

—**Hebrews 13:8**

**\*Remember The Past But Don’t Stay There**

“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past.

See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up;

do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness

and streams in the wasteland.”**—Isaiah 43:18-19**

**\*Do You Hope Or Simply Wish?**

“God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear…”— **Psalm 46:1-2**

**Luke 2:8-11 (Past, Present, Future & Forever)**And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. **9**An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. **10**But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. **11**Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.