

THE HOPE OF HEAVEN

Hope for my mother, hope as a mother.

1. WHY A VIEW & HOPE OF HEAVEN IS IMPORTANT

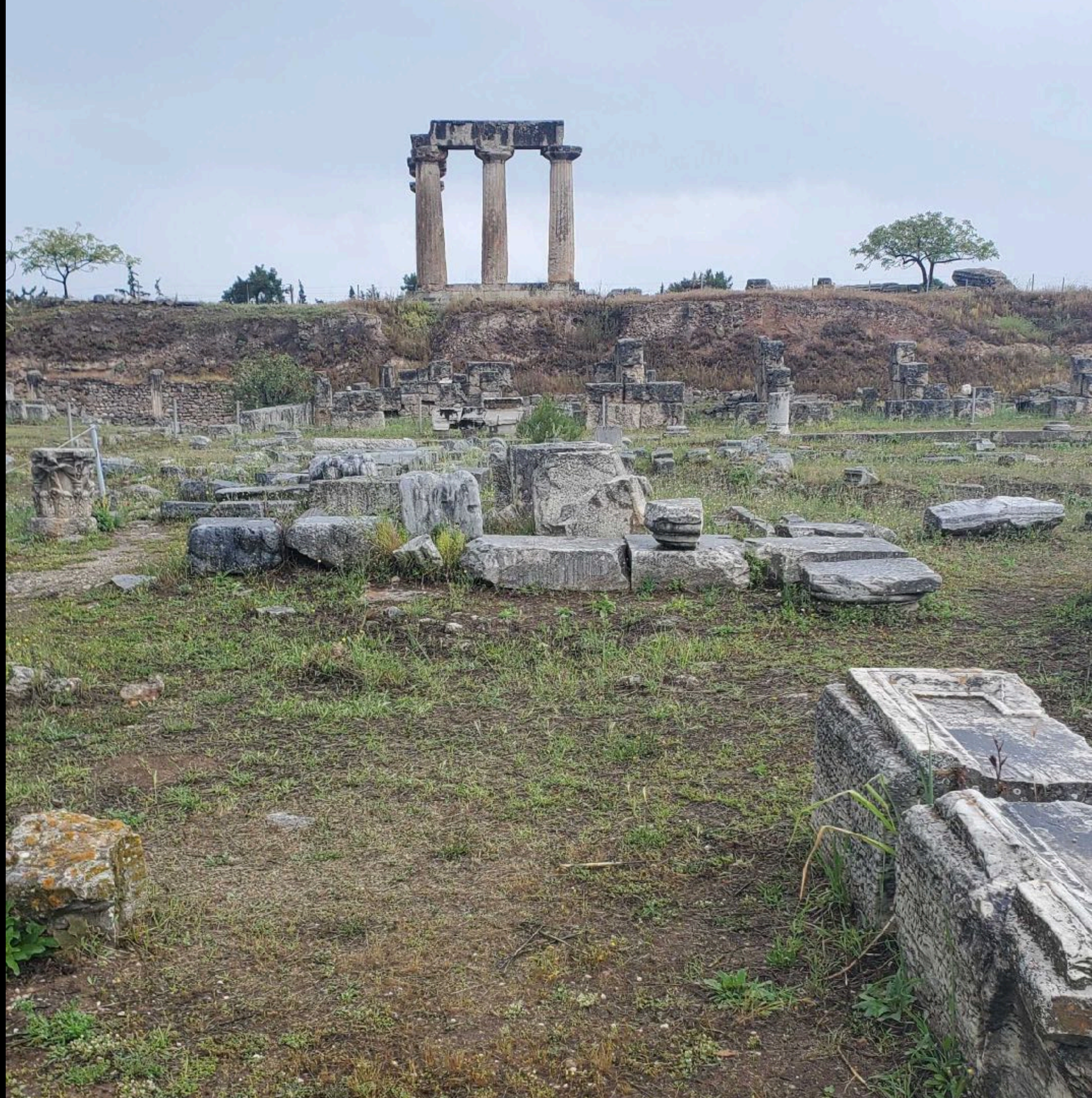
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**It anchors us.
Which gives us hope and resilience.**



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FOR THIS SLIGHT MOMENTARY
REFLECTION IS PREPARING FOR US
AN ETERNAL HEIGHT OF GLORY
BEYOND ALL COMPARISON





2 CORINTHIANS 4: 16-18

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

HEBREWS 6:17-19

¹⁷ So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of His purpose, He guaranteed it with an oath, ¹⁸ so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us.

HEBREWS 6:17-19

19 We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, 20 where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a High Priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

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**It orientates us.
Which gives us identity and clarity.**



**2. HOW DO WE ENLARGE OUR VIEW
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The Word of God.

COLOSSIANS 3:16

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

2. HOW DO WE ENLARGE OUR VIEW AND ESTABLISH OUR HOPE?

The Spirit of God.

JOHN 16:13

When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come.

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The people of God.

HEBREWS 10:23-25

23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.

24 And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

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What is absent?

REVELATION 21: 2-4

² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them as their God.

REVELATION 21: 2-4

4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

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What is present?

REVELATION 7:15-17

“Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple; and He who sits on the throne will shelter them with His presence. ¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷ For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their Shepherd,

REVELATION 7:15-17

**and He will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their
eyes.”**

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What is primary?

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We will see God.

“No man ever saw God and lived. And yet, I shall not live till I see God; and when I have seen Him, I shall never die.”

JOHN DONNE

WHAT IS PRIMARY?

We will know God.

“We will constantly be more amazed with God, more in love with God, and thus ever more relishing His presence and our relationship with Him. Our experience of God will never reach its consummation ... It will deepen and develop, intensify, and amplify, unfold, and increase, broaden and balloon.”

SAM STORMS

WHAT IS PRIMARY?

We will dwell with God.