



# Paul's Admonition

Romans 12:9-13

## Be Joyful In Hope

- Joyful – rejoice, be glad
  - More than an emotion – a learned discipline
  - Similar to “*I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances.*” (Phil. 4:11 NIV)
- Hope – (1) To desire with expectation (2) To trust
  - It is given to us in this world where sin has come as a promise from God who cannot lie and can do all things.

## Be Patient In Affliction

- Patient – persevere, endure
- Affliction – tribulation, suffering
  - James 1:2-4
  - Our anger with God when things do not go as we think they should. (Naaman, Job)

## Be Faithful In Prayer

- Faithful – devoted, continuing instant, constant, persist, persevere
- Prayer – intentional communication with God

## Where are we?

- Joyful in hope
- Patient in affliction
- Faithful in prayer