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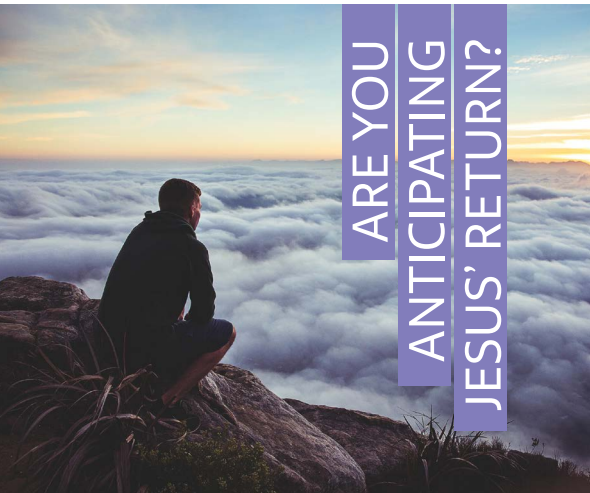
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LET'S MAKE 2019 A GOOD YEAR

Dear DPM supporter,

I am delighted to introduce to you this first edition of DPM World – a new magazine from DPM-UK filled with Biblical insights, outreach stories, interviews, resource offers and much more.

The main article in this edition is taken from our latest Derek Prince book, *Anticipating Jesus' Return*. In this book we are publishing new insights from Derek's teaching that can help you to live your life in the light of Jesus' coming. I would encourage you to take a look at the special article on [page 6](#) and make sure that you order a copy of the book by emailing us or calling our office.

In 2002, Derek Prince said, "It is my desire—and I believe the Lord's desire—that DPM continue the work which God began through me over sixty years ago, until Jesus returns." And so with your help and your prayers we are continuing to impact millions of lives around the globe with life-changing Bible teaching.

To discover what your generosity made possible in 2018 please take a look at the outreach impact report on [pages 4-5](#).

What's more, through this magazine we are inviting you to play an active role in ministering to people in your church and community by joining our new initiatives in the UK, such as the distribution of *Hope Beyond Grief*, a free book for all those who are grieving over the loss of a loved one. You can read all about how you can get involved on [page 11](#).

None of what we do is possible without your continued support. That's why, at the beginning of this year, I want to express my sincere gratitude to you.

Thank you for your partnership and financial support!

May the Lord bless you and let's make 2019 a good year.

Neil Cornick
UK Director



Derek Prince Ministries (DPM) is an international ministry with over 45 national and outreach offices in different parts of the world.

Our mission is to make Derek Prince's Bible teaching available to spiritually hungry Christians through books, audiovisual resources, digital media and websites in over 100 languages - especially in countries where there is persecution and poverty.

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DIGGING THE TREASURE OUT

A Renewed Vision for DPM's Worldwide Outreaches in 2019

One of the best ways to sum up the biblical motivation for what we do through our worldwide outreaches can be found in this extract from Derek Prince's teaching titled *Do You Realise How Valuable You Are?*

In this teaching Derek focuses on *The Parable of the Hidden Treasure* as found in Matthew 13:44–46 and this is what he said:

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and for joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

If you think in terms of the history of the Middle East, how do you imagine that treasure got hidden in the field? Well, probably an invading army marched through at some time. A man who was afraid of losing his possessions went quickly into his field and buried his treasure. But who knows what might have happened next? War may have swept into the region and carried him away forever. He never got back, and the treasure lay buried in the field.

Years later, another man comes along and discovers the treasure. Let's say that this man is very crafty. He does not tell anybody about it. He hides it. He covers it up. And then he goes and buys the field as though it is just an ordinary piece of property. Maybe he even pays a slightly excessive price. People marvel, "Why would he buy that field? There's nothing in that field. It's not worth what he paid for it." But once he owns the field, he digs up the treasure,

you see. And then people understand why he bought it.

And I want to say that man is Jesus. I know there are different ways of interpreting parables, but I want to interpret it this way.

That man is Jesus. The field the parables tell us is the world. Jesus died for the whole world. He paid the price for the whole world, but it isn't the world He wants. It's the treasure in the field.

“What is the treasure? – It is God's people.”

Jesus was willing to pay the price for an apparently worthless field in order to get the treasure which is you and me. That's how much He cares for you and me. That's how much He thinks of us. That's how much we mean to Him. We are not unimportant, we are not insignificant, we're not worthless. We're extremely valuable.

So valuable that Jesus gave His life to purchase us. God has no second-class children. You are important. You are very, very valuable to God. You're special. Drop that cringing attitude. Drop that sense of worthlessness. You don't have to apologise for being you.

It's you that God wanted. He wanted you the way you are. But He won't leave you that way. You're not glorifying God by being so humble, because it's not

humility. It's an act of unbelief. You are a child of God if you've received Jesus by faith. You're part of the treasure.

I think the ministry of the gospel is digging the treasure out. If Jesus bought the field, He leaves it to us to dig the treasure out. And when treasure has been under the earth for a long while it's often corrupted and tarnished and that's part of the ministry too, is to polish it up and clean it up.

Derek Prince believed that this is the ministry God had given him – to polish up the treasure that has been long underground.

From preaching sermons in a local church, to writing books, speaking at large gatherings of believers and airing on Christian radio and TV stations around the world, God used Derek Prince's anointed and clear Bible teachings to aid the spiritual growth of millions of Christians around the globe.

Today, Derek's ministry of digging out and polishing treasures that have been underground is being carried out by hundreds of our Outreach workers, volunteers and DPM supporters like you who continue to make the legacy of Derek's teaching available to spiritually hungry believers in over 147 countries.

Thank you for being a treasured partner in our ministry of reaching the unreached and teaching the untaught.

To find out more about our outreaches visit: www.dpmuk.org

HOW YOUR GENEROSITY AND PRAYERS IMPACTED THOUSANDS OF LIVES IN

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Croatia: “ Last year in our city, a Muslim accepted Christ as Lord and Saviour. By applying the biblical principles of Derek’s teachings, prayer, and the breaking of curses, he saw many blessings come into his life. Now he is eagerly waiting to be baptised in water by the elders of a local congregation.”

DPM Outreach worker in Croatia



Nepal: “ I have been greatly blessed by Derek’s teaching and I am sharing what I have learnt from him about the Holy Spirit with believers in the 30 churches in my area. After reading *They Shall Expel Demons*, I prayed for some people in my community and seven people were delivered. Christians and non-Christians alike here are amazed by the power of God.”

A denominational leader from Nepal



China: “ During these months, many things happened in my life. My family changed, my job changed, I moved to another city. But the unchanged element is reading your articles and the Bible.

Thank you, my brothers and sisters in Jesus! It is you who gave me comfort and help during my hard time. It is you who encouraged me by the Bible’s words.”

A believer from China



Iran: “ Every month, a team travels to Iran to share about Jesus and distribute Derek’s teaching in Iran. In July, they met a lady from a small town who came to the city to see a doctor. Our team shared with her about God’s love and prayed for her healing. She said her father was always looking for Jesus and told her to look for more information about Him and His Book. She gave us her phone number and asked us to visit her family. He didn’t know how to get to God, so God sent us to his daughter!”

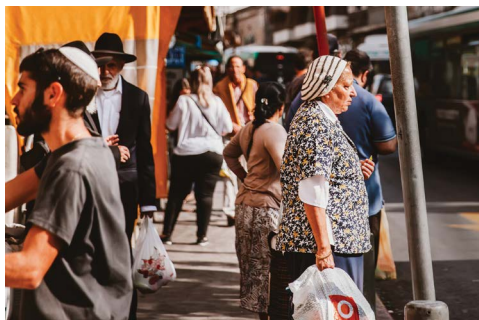
DPM Outreach volunteers in the Middle East



Belarus: “ I’m going through the third lesson *Through Repentance to Faith*. [the Bible Correspondence Course]. I outline and write down the signs of true repentance and how the Word of God affects a person ... I learn the Scriptures by heart, I pray the Word, I share my knowledge with my close friends. I am very glad and grateful for your ministry.”

Bible Correspondence student from Belarus

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Israel: “A leading pastor in Jerusalem requested 250 copies of Derek’s books in Hebrew for his congregation. He even remodelled an area of the church to make the books more accessible! This is just one of the doors God has opened for us to equip Christians in Israel and to reach out to Jewish people also.”

DPM Outreach workers in Israel



Japan: “I’ve been sick for several years, and sometimes I cannot go to church. I listen to Derek’s messages and study using his Teaching Letters and Self-Study Bible Course. His teachings have given me so much strength and a desire to praise God for His greatness more than ever before.”

A believer from Japan

What we made possible together



Supported outreach workers in **63** countries



Distributed discipleship resources in over **102** languages



Made Bible teaching available through **62** websites

Helped thousands of Christians to grow spiritually through SD card distribution in **38** countries, including countries closed to the gospel



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Trained pastors and evangelists in **22** countries



ARE YOU ANTICIPATING JESUS' RETURN?

By Derek Prince

Throughout the many years I have studied the Scriptures, I never cease to be amazed at how practical God is. A practical application seems to emerge even from the most spiritual and heavenly themes in the Bible to enable us to apply the principles of God's word to our lives.

The subject of this study is no different. In fact, it is my hope that these biblical insights will do as much for you as it has done for me. In my case, it changed my attitude toward the coming of the Lord.

Life is a Battle

The Apostle Paul provides an example for us. When Paul was facing the end of his life, he wrote one of the most touching passages in all of Scripture, in 2 Timothy 4:6–8. At the time, Paul was a prisoner in Rome, facing trial and execution at the hands of the emperor Nero. It is important for us to realise that Nero was perhaps the most wicked ruler in all of human history – a totally ungodly, unrighteous man.

This information enables us to better understand the significance of Paul's words in 2 Timothy 4:6–8: *For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.*

The Apostle Paul was getting on in years. He was somewhat infirm. He was facing winter conditions and he was cold in the damp prison. He did not have sufficient clothing. (We know this because he sent an urgent message to Timothy to bring a cloak with him when he came.)

In addition to this, Paul was completely alone. Most of his friends had forsaken him. By the world's standards, Paul's life was ending in complete failure.

However, he knew the world's standard of success is not the ultimate standard. That is why, as Paul faces the end of life, there is not even a single hint of defeat or regret anywhere in this epistle. Instead, he declares triumphantly: *I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.* (2 Timothy 4:7)

For 2,000 years, these words have given Christians through the ages lots of strength, courage, and determination to endure until the end. Each statement is in the perfect tense in Greek. It is done. It is complete.

One thing is clear that if you want to finish your race and if you want to keep the faith, you are going to have to fight the fight! Conflict is a major aspect of our Christian life. I have said many times that I think you can get to heaven without theology. I am not sure you will get there without courage.

Coming to the end of life in victory is more a test of your character than of your intellect.

Having spoken of the present and reflected on the past, the Apostle Paul turns his attention toward the future – toward eternity. Paul begins verse 8 of 2 Timothy with these words: *Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness.*

The word Paul uses in verse 8 is a reference to the Olympic games of those days. This kind of crown was a laurel wreath – just a simple sprig of laurel, which was placed upon the brow of the one who had won a contest, very similar in nature to the gold medals of Olympics games today.

So, in a way, if you wanted to modernise Paul's statement, he was saying, 'From now on I'm expecting my gold medal, because I have won my contest!'

After this initial thought, Paul continues in verse 8, introducing a very important perspective for us when he says: *Finally,*

there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day.

Notice Paul's emphasis that the Lord is the righteous Judge. Why did Paul call attention to this fact? Because he was appearing before Nero, a very unrighteous judge who gave him a very unjust and brutal sentence.

But Paul was looking forward to another judgement, where he would receive a crown of righteousness. In effect, Paul was saying, 'Nero doesn't have the last word. There's one more judgment to come that will be totally righteous and just. It will be before the Lord, the righteous Judge.'

A Community with a Deep Longing

In the context of a life poured out in the present, a completion of purpose in the past, and the anticipated reward in his future, Paul comes to the phrase which so deeply gripped me over the years.

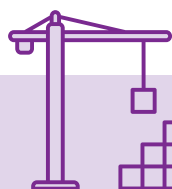
...the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing. (2 Timothy 4:6–8).

As you can see, the New King James Version translates this verse as, *to all who have loved His appearing.* This is an accurate translation, but the New International Version reads Longing for His Appearing, which I think conveys a little more intensity in its meaning.

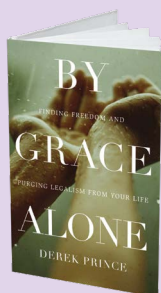
The word used for love in the New King James Version is *agapao*, which is a word used to describe intense love. Paul writes it in the perfect tense, which describes a settled, committed attitude. Maybe the best way to express this is to say, 'You are in love with this thought.' **Paul is writing about those who are 'in love with' the appearing of the Lord in His glory.**

As I studied this very significant aspect of this verse, I saw that within the Body of Christ, God recognises a special community of believers.

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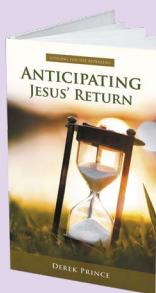


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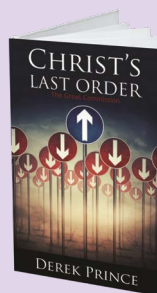
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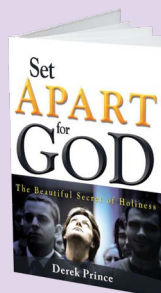
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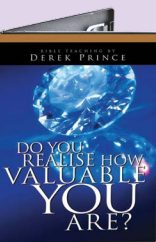
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What sets this community apart? - **They are marked out by the fact that they are truly in love with the appearing of Jesus. For those believers, God has a special honour – the crown of righteousness.**

Evidently, this crown is not going to be given to all believers. Rather, it is going to be given only to those believers who, in this life, have passionately loved – or longed for – the return of the Lord Jesus.

It is as if God looks all through the body of Christ and says, 'There is a sister who is longing for my appearing. There is a brother who is longing for my appearing.' Then He says to the angels (or whoever is responsible for this part of the administration of heaven), 'Be sure to prepare for them a crown of righteousness.'

Are you Longing for His Appearing?

As I meditated on these truths I was studying, I had to examine my own life. I had to ask myself: Do I qualify? Do I have the mark of one who has loved His appearing? What about you? Are you longing for His appearing?

From my study of the Bible, I have come to believe that the attitude of the early Church toward the anticipated appearing of the Lord was one of the major forces motivating their way of life and toward the rapid spread of the gospel.

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ. (Titus 2:11–13)

Did you know that grace teaches us?

Many people believe grace is something you receive, and that is all there is to it! Most would agree that grace is free. You receive it freely, and you cannot earn it.

However, there is more to it than that. Once you have received grace, it imposes obligations on you. Paul said that God's grace has appeared, teaching us that 'denying ungodliness and worldly lusts,



we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in the present age.' Without a doubt, those are not 'cheap' requirements.

Called to be Different

Grace teaches us how we should live. Clearly, we should not be living like the people of this world. We should live in a way that is totally different. However, I am not sure that most of God's people are living distinctly different lives from those around them.

What is the real motivation for a Christian to live a distinctly different life from the world? I believe Paul answers that question in verse 13 of Titus 2: *Looking for the blessed hope, and glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ.*

What Paul outlines in the above phrase is the motivation for the way we live. It is an active anticipation of the coming of the Lord. Wherever the Church is not living in that expectation, its standards of holiness will always be below those of the New Testament. Somehow, we have lost that motivation.

When Jesus comes back, to whom will He appear? To those who eagerly wait for Him. You and I must ask ourselves if we are in the category of those who are waiting eagerly. The New Testament record is very clear: the eager anticipation of the Lord's return is a foundational motivation for godly living.

A Prayer

Lord, I want to confirm that I want You to make a change in my heart. I ask You to help me, by the power of your Holy Spirit, to be one who is marked by a longing for your appearing. Fill my heart continually with that longing, I pray. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Questions for Reflection

- 1 In 2 Timothy 4:7 the apostle Paul wrote: 'I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.' If you reflect on your life and your faith what do these words mean to you?

- 2 Paul knew he would one day be judged by God. This thought didn't seem to frighten him, in fact, he was looking forward to the moment that God would reward him. What feelings and thoughts do come to your mind when you think of the fact that the Lord will judge you, too?

- 3 Grace and Law are opposites. What does it mean to you that it is grace that teaches you how to live?

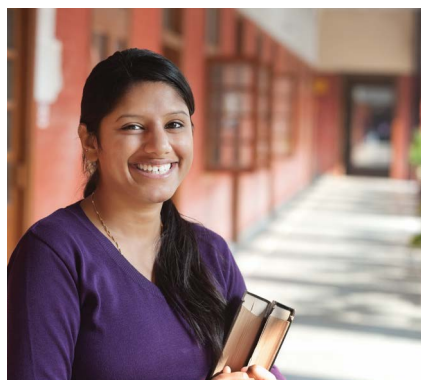
- 4 The active anticipation of Jesus' return is the ultimate motivation for the way we live. Would you agree? What impact does it have on your life?



STRATEGIC PROJECTS IN 2019

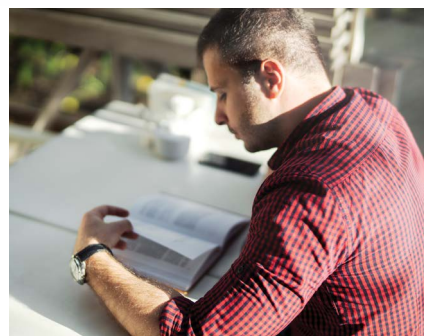
Middle East: In 2019 we will continue to resource Christians across this troubled region with discipleship resources through printing books, broadcasting Derek's teaching on Christian radio and TV stations and giving out SD cards to leaders in the underground church.

What's more, we will be focusing on helping the church in Algeria to reach out to the Kabyle people by translating Derek's audio resources like the *Daily Devotional* and *Entering God's Presence* into the Kabyle language. In addition to this, we will be printing seven key books by Derek Prince into the Sorani language in response to requests from pastors in this region.



Former Soviet Republics: we will continue to print and distribute thousands of copies of the *Self-Study Bible Course* and other books to put them in the hands of prisoners in Russia and Ukraine.

South East Asia: In 2019 we aim to expand DPM outreaches in South East Asia by translating more resources, holding conferences and workshops for pastors and evangelists in India, Sri Lanka, Indonesia and the Philippines. Also, we will be working with new contacts in Japan to publish some of Derek's books in Japanese.



China: The Church in China is facing increasing restrictions imposed by the government. In some areas churches have been closed. Bibles can no longer be sold online and there have been threats to severely limit any access to Bible teaching resources online.

In the light of these developments, in 2019 we feel that we should focus on making Derek's Bible teaching available on both USB devices and SD cards, so that pastors and believers across China can continue to benefit from life-changing Bible teaching as the situation gets tighter.

Our aim is to upload a library of discipleship resources by Derek Prince on over 12,000 USB and SD cards and distribute them freely to church leaders who desperately need solid Bible teaching to equip and encourage their congregations to stand strong in the face of growing persecution.

Eastern Europe: In 2019 our outreach workers will be aiming to put over 45,000 copies of Derek's books in ten languages into the hands of Christians in different parts of this region.

Also, we will be focusing especially in building up DPM's ministry in Albania by hosting meetings and training events with church leaders and by printing 10 booklets by Derek Prince covering a wide range of topics in Albanian.

Will you send a gift to DPM Outreaches today to help turn these plans for 2019 into reality?

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STEPS TO A GOOD YEAR

Every January, millions of people in the UK start their year with New Year's resolutions. Some want to lose weight, others want to exercise more, go to the gym, lead a healthier lifestyle – these are some of the most common resolutions.

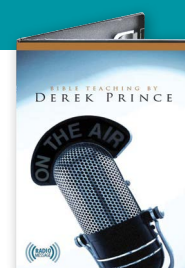
But what about making some spiritual resolutions this year? – Because as Derek Prince says in *12 Steps to a Good Year*: 'The way you approach the new year will determine the outcome of this year in your life. And your approach depends ultimately on your decisions, on your resolutions.'

Here are the spiritual resolutions Derek Prince suggests in *12 Steps to a Good Year*. They are based on the teaching from the book of Hebrews, each introduced by the phrase 'Let us'.

- 1 Let us fear. (Hebrews 4:1)
- 2 Let us be diligent. (Hebrews 4:11)
- 3 Let us hold fast the confession of our faith. (Hebrews 4:14)
- 4 Let us draw near to the throne of grace. (Hebrews 4:16)
- 5 Let us press on to maturity. (Hebrews 6:1)
- 6 Let us draw near to the most holy place. (Hebrews 10:19, 22)
- 7 Let us hold fast our confession without wavering. (Hebrews 10:23)
- 8 Let us consider one another. (Hebrews 10:24)
- 9 Let us run with endurance the race. (Hebrews 12:1)
- 10 Let us show gratitude. (Hebrews 12: 28- 29)
- 11 Let us go out to Him outside the camp. (Hebrews 13:12–14)
- 12 Let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise. (Hebrews 13:15)

To explore these resolutions in more detail and to make them your own by requesting a free download of *12 Steps for a Good Year* for a donation of any amount towards our outreaches.

Your generosity today can help put valuable Bible teaching and discipleship resources into the hands of pastors and believers in the developing world.



DPM UK NEWS



Since 1995, thanks to the generosity of supporters like you, thousands of inmates in UK prisons and detention centres have been challenged and blessed by Derek's Bible teaching made available to them through our ministry of Inside Outreach.

Recently we expanded this ministry by sending out a new resource guide to chaplains and prisoners containing a larger range of free Bible teaching resources.

Also we sent out sample copies of the new *Self-Study Bible Course* (Basic Edition) to several prison Chaplains, inviting them to use this resource with small groups of inmates who have come to the Lord while in prison.

Another welcome addition to our Inside Outreach activities is the provision of Derek's materials in foreign languages including Farsi, Arabic, Turkish, French and Russian for inmates whose first language is not English.

If you are involved in Prison Outreach and are looking for free resources please get in touch by calling us on: 01462 492100 or email: insideoutreach@dpmuk.org

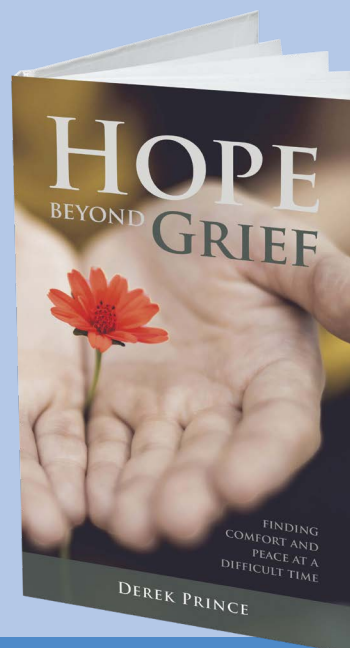
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Do you know someone who is grieving the loss of a loved one and needs support? Are you seeking to share God's love and comfort with people who are approaching the end of their lives?

The truth is we cannot fix the pain of those who are grieving or answer all the questions of those who are approaching the end of life's journey. But we can point them to God and to His life-giving Word where they can find new hope, comfort and assurance.

To help you share God's peace and comfort to those in the most difficult time of life we are launching a small booklet entitled *Hope Beyond Grief*. In this booklet Derek Prince outlines simply and clearly, how each of us can share in Christ's victory over death.

Hope Beyond Grief is a wonderful evangelistic and discipleship resource that can help you to share with both believers and unbelievers the message of hope and eternal life that Jesus offers.



Will you partner with DPM UK to promote and place this booklet into the hands of people who need it?

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