

BE A PRISONER OF HOPE

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The Prophet Zechariah wrote
An exhortation of great note
To all the "Prisoners of Hope"
Who had come home, and now must cope!

Like those Jews returned from exile -
We are pris'ners awaiting trial!
We can choose what imprisons us -
Doubt, Fear, Self-hate - (don't make a muss)!

Let us not choose the negative -
But Hope for what God's Grace can give!
Let us do more than "just survive" -
(Hopeless, downcast - barely alive.)

*Let us be Prisoners of Hope -
Our Hope in God is without scope!
No limitations do we fear -
Our God is Great! He's always near!*

The Universe's Creator -
Longs to Bless us and to restore -
*But even God can't really cope
With those whose lives aren't tuned to Hope!*

God spoke through the Prophet Zechariah to Jews
returning from exile after 70 years as prisoners in Babylon:

"Turn you to the stronghold, you *prisoners of hope*: even
today do I declare that I will render double unto you "
Zechariah 9: 12 from The King James Bible