A  A certain hope.
   ❖ When the people of God is surrounded by oppression and injustice, they cry to God: “How long?”
   ❖ How long until they would be liberated from the Egyptians? How long until they would be liberated from Babylon? How long until they would be liberated from Rome? “How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?” (Revelation 6:10).
   ❖ God has always intervened. However, there’s still oppression and injustice. How long?
   ❖ We still long for God’s justice and cry for the moment when He will put an end to evil (Luke 18:1-8).

B  An active hope.
   ❖ Jesus will put an end to poverty and oppression. Therefore, some people may think that there’s no need to fight them now.
   ❖ God has asked us to live justly in this world. Our duty is to care for those in need and to supply their needs according to our possibilities.
   ❖ If we’re going to live with Jesus forever, let’s start living like He did today (Acts 10:38).

C  Resurrection hope.
   ❖ The resurrection of Jesus is the guarantee of our resurrection. Death will be destroyed for good. The evil that causes injustice, poverty and oppression will be defeated.
   ❖ Let’s help others by sharing the hope of the resurrection.

D  Judgment hope.
   ❖ With no hope of justice, no hope of judgment, no hope of things being made right, ours would indeed be an absurd world.
   ❖ The injustice in this world will not fall into oblivion. One day, Jesus will put things right. “He will reward each according to his works.” (Matthew 16:27)
   ❖ This is great news for those who suffer injustice today.

E  A better world to come.
   ❖ God will wipe our tears away and will comfort us. He will heal the wounds that suffering has caused (Revelation 22:2).
   ❖ We anticipate this better world by sharing kind words, a warm meal, medical help, clothing or a piece of wise advice.
   ❖ Let’s reflect the selfless love that Jesus showed when He lived on Earth. The same love He’ll show when He’ll wipe each one of our tears away.