Romans 15 v 13 (NIV)

May the **God of hope** fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may **overflow with hope** by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Yakhal To wait patiently

Noah sent the dove out and it returned with the olive leaf ... "Then he waited (yakhal) another seven days"



Qavah

- 1. Cord pulled tight with tension
- 2. Wait with anticipation, with confidence

Isaiah 5 v 2 God planted a vineyard and waited for/looked for/expected (qavah) it to produce good grapes



Psalm 39 v 7

"And now O Lord for what do I **wait** (qavah)? My **hope** (yakhal) is in You."

Isaiah 40 v 31

"But those who **wait** (qavah) on the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." (NKJ)

Other versions of the OT translate it HOPE.

"... but those who **hope** (qavah) in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint." (NIV)

Habakkuk's prayer

Habakkuk 3 v 17-19 "Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will be joyful in God my Saviour. The Sovereign LORD is my strength; He makes my feet like the feet of a deer, He enables me to tread on the heights."

The Future Glory

Romans 8

¹⁸ Yet what we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will reveal to us later. ¹⁹ For all creation is waiting eagerly for that future day when God will reveal who his children really are. ²⁰ Against its will, all creation was subjected to God's curse. But with **eager hope**, ²¹ the creation looks forward to the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay. ²² For we know that all creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.

Romans 8 continued

²³ And we believers also groan, even though we have the Holy Spirit within us as a foretaste of future glory, for we long for our bodies to be released from sin and suffering. We, too, wait with eager hope for the day when God will give us our full rights as his adopted children, including the new bodies he has promised us. ²⁴ We were given this hope when we were saved. If we already have something, we don't need to hope (or wait) for it. ²⁵ But if we look forward to something we don't yet have, we must wait patiently and confidently. (NLT)