

# The Promises of God!

*KJV 2 Corinthians 1:20 For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.*

Every promise God made to a nation, family or person concerning His Grace and Mercy are found and received through Christ Jesus!

*NIV Colossians 1:16 For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.*

## ❖ Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of All The Promises of God!

*NIV Numbers 23:19 God is not a man, that he should lie, nor a son of man, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill?*

**A Promise** is an assurance beforehand that a benefit is to be given; it's a pledge to either do or not do something. It gives the person to whom the promise is made the right to claim the promise and expect the promiser to perform what was promised.

## ❖ **The Bible is a Book of Assurances, declarations & Promises!**

*ESV 2 Peter 1:3-4 His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence,  
4 by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.*

Peter calls them **Great and Precious Promises!**

**Great** = mega, exceeding great and magnificent promises!

**Precious** = honorable, very costly and highly valued!

The bible uses several words to describe God's promises:

***His Holy Word, Sayings, Blessings, Laws, Prophecies, Commandments and Covenants.***

Basically God promises salvation, healing, deliverance and blessings to those who put their faith in Him; and curses, judgment and punishment to those who reject Him!

*KJV Deuteronomy 11:26 Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;*

*27 A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day:*

*28 And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.*

*ESV 1 Samuel 10:18 And he said to the people of Israel, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'I brought up Israel out of Egypt, and I delivered you from the hand of the Egyptians and from the hand of all the kingdoms that were oppressing you.'*

*19 But today **you have rejected your God**, who saves you from all your calamities and your distresses, and you have said to him, 'Set a king over us.' Now therefore present yourselves before the LORD by your tribes and by your thousands."*

God brought Israel out of Egypt using the man named Moses, when the people rebelled against Moses they rejected God!

God called and anointed Samuel to lead Israel in The Promised Land, when the people rejected Samuel they rejected God!

Rejecting God given leadership is rejecting God and all His promises!

*ESV Jeremiah 3:15 "'And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.*

If we reject the shepherds God gives us—we reject the **knowledge and understanding** of God and walk in darkness!

**And we also reject and forfeit The Promises of God!**

*ESV Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because you have rejected knowledge, I reject you from being a priest to me. And since you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.*

Our children suffer when we **reject The Word of God**; they aren't able to benefit from His Great and Precious Promises!

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God keeps His promises simply because He's God!

*Psalm 89:34* My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.

*NIV Psalm 105:38-42* Egypt was glad when they left, because dread of Israel had fallen on them.

*39* He spread out a cloud as a covering, and a fire to give light at night.

*40* They asked, and he brought them quail and satisfied them with the bread of heaven.

*41* He opened the rock, and water gushed out; like a river it flowed in the desert.

*42* For he remembered his holy promise given to his servant Abraham.

God did supernatural miracles for His people in the wilderness; when they needed protection from the sun in the day—He sent clouds.

- When they need protection from the cold at night—He sent fire!
- When they need protein God gave them quail!
- When they needed fiber God gave them bread from Heaven!
- When they got thirsty He gave them water from a rock!

Whatever they needed God provided—not because of anything they did!

**God did it because He made a promise to Abraham some 500 years earlier!**

*NIV Isaiah 43:1* But now, this is what the LORD says-- he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

*2* When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

Check yourself, evaluate yourself and determine you're really alright!