**OFFERING SCRIPTURE**

**Mark 10:29–30 (NKJV)** So Jesus answered and said, “Assuredly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My sake and the gospel’s, **30** who shall not receive a hundredfold now in this time—houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions—and in the age to come, eternal life.

God’s Promises to You

**1—PROMISES ARE PROMISES**

**Mark 11:22–24 (NKJV)** So Jesus answered and said to them, “Have faith in God. **23** For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. **24** Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.

**I SENSE THE LORD CALLING ME TO DRAW EVERYONE’S ATTENTION TO HIM AND TO ANCHOR OURSELVES SECURELY TO HIS PROMISES.**

**Philippians 4:6 (NKJV)** Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

**1 John 5:14–15 (NKJV)** Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. **15** And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

**WELL… HOW DO WE KNOW THE WILL OF GOD? AN OBVIOUS WAY IS TO LOOK AT HIS PROMISES**

**Psalm 103:1–6 (NKJV)** Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name! **2** Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: **3** Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, **4** Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, **5** Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s. **6** The Lord executes righteousness And justice for all who are oppressed.

**2 Peter 1:3–4 (NKJV)** His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, **4** by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

**Hebrews 6:13–15 (NKJV)** For when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, **14** saying, “Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you.” **15** And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise.

**Galatians 3:16 (NKJV)** Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, “And to seeds,” as of many, but as of one, “And to your Seed,” who is Christ.

**Galatians 3:29 (NKJV)** And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.

**Hebrews 8:6 (NKJV)** But now **[Jesus]** has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises.

**HOW MANY PROMISES ARE THERE? IT DEPENDS ON WHO YOU ASK AND HOW YOU DEFINE A PROMISE.**

**EX – According to a Canadian schoolteacher named Everet R. Storms, there are 8,810 promises in the Bible, and 7,487 of those promises are from God to people** (the others are from one man to another (991), God the Father to God the Son (two), man to God (290) and several other combinations, including nine made by Satan).

**ARE GOD’S PROMISES REALLY PROMISES? OR ARE THEY MERELY OPTIONS?**

**Psalm 119:89 (NKJV)** Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven.

**Matthew 24:35 (NKJV)** Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

**Numbers 23:19 (NKJV)** “God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?

**Isaiah 55:11 (NKJV)** So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

**Titus 1:2 (NKJV)** God, who cannot lie, promised…

**2 Chronicles 6:3–4 & 15 (NKJV)** **[Solomon dedicating the temple]** Then the king turned around and blessed the whole assembly of Israel, while all the assembly of Israel was standing. **4** And he said: “Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who has fulfilled with His hands what He spoke with His mouth to my father David **…** **VERSE 15**  You have kept what You promised Your servant David my father; You have both spoken with Your mouth and fulfilled it with Your hand, as it is this day.

**2 Corinthians 1:20 (NKJV)** All the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.

**WHEN GOD’S FAITHFULNESS TO HIS PROMISES WAS REVEALED TO ME, IT CHANGED EVERYTHING**

**EX – I prayed for a box boy (bagger) job at a grocery store**

**John 15:7 (NKJV)** If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

**EX – I prayed for a promotion on my job to go to Bible college**

**Psalm 75:6–7 (KJV)** For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. **7** But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.

**EX – I prayed for the right wife**

**Proverbs 31:10–12 (NASB 2020)** An excellent wife, who can find her? For her worth is far above jewels. **11** The heart of her husband trusts in her, And he will have no lack of gain. **12** She does him good and not evil All the days of her life.

**Proverbs 19:14 (NKJV)** Houses and riches are an inheritance from fathers, But a prudent wife is from the Lord.

**EX – I prayed for direction for college**

**James 1:5–7 (NKJV)** If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. **6** But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. **7** For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;

**OTHER PROMISES INCLUDE:**

**HEALING**

**Isaiah 53:4–5 (NKJV)** Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. **5** But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed.

**Isaiah 53:4 (NASB 2020)** However, it was our sicknesses that He Himself bore, And our pains that He carried;

**PROVISION**

**Philippians 4:19 (NKJV)** And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

**RELATIONSHIP**

**Psalm 68:6 (NKJV)** God sets the solitary in families; He brings out those who are bound into prosperity; But the rebellious dwell in a dry land.

**FORGIVENESS**

**1 John 1:9 (NKJV)** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**OTHER DESIRES**

**Psalm 37:4 (NKJV)** Delight yourself also in the Lord, And He shall give you the desires of your heart.