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Dedicated to my “other mother”

Aunt Ruth Speight

Thank you, auntie, for all of the love,
cakes, visits, phone calls, and just
always being a part of my life. Love
you so much.

Introduction

*For he will rescue you from every trap and protect you from the fatal plague. He will shield you with his wings. He will shelter you with his feathers. **His faithful promises are your armor and protection.***
(Psalm 91:4-4; New Living Translation)

We are engaged in combat. The employment of words in propaganda is its main method of attack. When he deceived Eve in the Garden of Eden, Satan ignited this war. Adam was forewarned by God to avoid eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. He said, “.... *for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die*” (Gen. 2:17b). Satan responded as follows:

*And the serpent said unto the woman, **Ye shall not surely die:** For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.* (Gen. 3:4-5)

Satan challenged God’s integrity and raised doubts about His love and sincere care for His creatures. He deceived them into thinking that God was stingy, small-minded, and competitive.

The proverb “hindsight is 20/20” applies here. The “hindsight” provided to us in the Genesis account reveals that God loved Adam and Eve dearly, had their best interests at heart, and was only forewarning them of the death and curse that would result from disobeying this one straightforward instruction (Gen. 3:17-19; Rom. 5:12).

God was incredibly kind by permitting man to access all except *one* tree (Gen. 2:16-17). On the basis of

a devil's deception, Adam and Eve disregarded this generosity, denying themselves access to all the excellent things that God had made available to them (Gen. 3:22-24). Satan's lies are what prevent God's people from experiencing His blessings (John 8:44).

The wisdom of hindsight ought to keep us from making the same error as our first parents, right? Regrettably, Satan continues to deceive people in the world, even some who claim to be disciples of Christ, just as he did with Eve (Gen. 3:13; 2 Cor. 4:4; 11:3, 13, 14; Rev. 12:9). Many still believe falsehoods about God. They think God wants people impoverished and broke and doesn't care about their material necessities; they think God afflicts them with illness and doesn't care about their health; they think God has predestined a sizable section of humanity to be damned and gets glory from it; and many, many more lies.

Knowing and believing what God has actually stated is the only way to combat Satan's falsehoods. We are engaged in a propaganda war. In order to get entrance to our life and be able to ruin us, Satan utilizes language to lead us away from God's truth. Yet if we study God's Word, arm ourselves with it, and cling to His promises, we will triumph over the satanic powers of evil.

In order to increase one's faith in God's love and the things He is prepared to do in response to prayer, this book is meant to provide the reader with rapid access to some of His particular promises. It is intended to combat Satan's plans to keep us in sickness, destitution, misery, and defeat. The discipline of reading and studying the Bible on one's own is not meant to be replaced by this book. It only serves as an additional tool to help build one's faith in particular areas of our lives that God intends to provide for and to dispel demonic lies that prevent us from receiving His provision. Pray, claim God's promises, and defeat Satan's propaganda campaign.

How to Use This Book

As stated in the introduction, the primary intention of this book is to inform the believer of a number of things God desires to accomplish for His people in response to believing prayer. Scripture informs us, “*So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God*” (Rom. 10:17). Equally so, our Lord promised: “*If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you*” (John 15:7).

Our ability to prayer with confidence and expectation of an answer has its basis in the known will of God (1 John 5:15-15). God’s Word is the revelation of His will for our lives and provides for us the means by which we can have faith and confidence to pray with an expectation of an assured answer (2 Sam. 7:27-29; 1 Chron. 17:25-26).

How To Claim God’s Promises

Nonetheless, God’s people often lack the confidence to pray due to ignorance of God’s multiple promises. If a promise is discovered, many still lack the knowledge as to how to approach the Lord with it. Therefore, this lesson will provide brief but practical instructions. To understand how to work these promises, we’ll utilize a general prayer of healing for oneself in the example that follows. Remember that you can pray similarly regarding any issue you may be facing in accordance with the related promise that addresses that issue.

Personal

Prayer: *Father God, You know all that I have been struggling with because you care about me and even know the numbers of hairs on my head. Lord you know*

that I have been experiencing _____.
You also know what the doctor has said about it. But Father God, Your Word says that by His stripes I am healed (1 Pet. 2:24; Isa. 53:5). Lord Jesus, You have taken upon Yourself my sicknesses and my infirmities (Matt. 8:16-17; Isa. 53:4). I thank you that you have forgiven me of my sins and healed all my diseases (Ps. 103:3). I realize that it is your will that I have good health (3 John 2; Prov. 3:7-8). Based on the promises of Your Word, I receive my healing by faith (Psalm 107:20; Prov. 4:20-22; James 5:14-15).

Exercise Authority: *Satan, I command you to get your hands off of my body in the Name of Jesus (Luke 10:17-20; James 4:7; 1 Pet. 5:8-9).*

Daily Faith Confession/Declaration: *Thank You Father for my healing and health. I declare this sickness gone. I declare on the authority of Your Word that I am healed (Mark 11:24; 2 Cor. 5:7).*

Keep in mind that your confession is a combination of thanksgiving and praise in accordance with the promise that God has made in His Word. Continue making this kind of confession every day (or hourly if necessary). When doubt starts to sneak in, keep repeating the promises.

Another Person in Agreement

The will of the person you are praying for or praying with is taken into consideration when you pray for someone else. If the person does not have faith in God to carry out His Word, then it will be difficult to see their request answered. Hence it is best to assist them in strengthening their faith. You can *agree* with them in

prayer if you can convince them to believe these promises after hearing them. Once that is done, pray in a manner in accordance with the example below:

Prayer: *Father, God, we thank you for your Word. I stand in agreement and join my faith with _____ concerning _____. Your Word says _____. We receive what you have said in Jesus Name.*

Exercise Authority Together: *Satan, in the Name of Jesus we command you to take your hands off of this situation. God's Word has given us authority over you and you must go. Therefore, be gone in the Mighty Name of Jesus.*

Encourage the person to confess their faith in what they have prayed for each day:

Daily Faith Confession/Declaration: *Thank You Father for _____. Your Word says _____. I refuse to be moved by what I see or how I feel or even what others are saying. I will continue to delight in you and your Word until I see the desires of my heart come to pass in my life (Psalm 37:4). Thank you Lord Jesus. (Mark 11:24; 2 Cor. 5:7).*

Intercessory Prayer

Their readiness to receive or refuse to receive is a consideration when praying for another person's salvation or for another desire of God for a person who might not believe. You can pray for them in such circumstances and ask God to intervene in their life. Pray in the following manner:

Prayer: *Father God, You know the problem that _____ is going through. They do not know you or believe your Word in this area, I thank you that you have given me the authority as your priest to intercede for them (1 Pet. 2:5, 9; Rev. 1:6; Eze. 22:30; 1 Tim. 2:1-6). Lord, I ask you to open the eyes of their understanding and enlighten them (Eph. 1:18). Convict them by Your Holy Spirit concerning Your Word that tells us _____ (John 16:8). I thank You Father God, for working in _____ life. Thank you Lord Jesus for working with this person. Thank You Holy Spirit for moving on them and convincing them.*

Exercise authority: *Satan, take your hands off of _____. Your lies are bound in Jesus' Name and I release you from your assignment over _____.*

Daily Faith Confession/Declaration: *Thank You Father for working in _____ life. I continue to believe that you are working your will in _____ in Jesus' Name.*

Again, these are examples of prayers that invoke God's promises. Each of us should have a close personal relationship with God. He also longs to do much for us, and in order to strengthen our faith in His readiness to act on our behalf, He has provided us with these exceeding great and precious promises.

The Lord deeply cherishes you and longs to have you in His presence. As your trust and connection with Him deepen, you will quickly learn how to develop the words for yourself by studying His promises. Below is a worksheet to guide you further in organizing your prayer using His promises but with your own words:

Praying the Promises Worksheet

Date _____

What is it that you need God to do for you?

What are the Scripture Promises connected to your need

Now formulate your Prayer to God based on the promises above:

Make a Declaration of faith based on the promises:

Date when you saw the visible tangible answer to your prayer and how it came about:

Why God Wants to Do Things for Us

Note: We can find numerous explanations of God's motivations for wanting certain things for us as we search the Scriptures, but at the core of everything He does is love. Knowing that He genuinely loves us, we may claim with certainty His promises.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (John 3:16)

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. (John 15:13)

*For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. **But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.** (Rom. 5:7-8)*

*I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, **who loved me, and gave himself for me.** (Gal. 2:20)*

*Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. **In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.** (1 John 4:7-11)*

And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. (Eph. 5:2)

He who did not withhold or spare [even] His own Son but gave Him up for us all, will He not also with Him freely and graciously give us all [other] things? (Rom. 8:32; Amplified Bible)

For God has proved his love by giving us his greatest treasure, the gift of his Son. And since God freely offered him up as the sacrifice for us all, he certainly won't withhold from us anything else he has to give. (Rom. 8:32; The Passion Translation)

God did not withhold His own Son [from dying], but offered Him up for all of us. [Since He did that], will He not, along with Jesus, freely give us everything [else] also? (Rom. 8:32; An Understandable Version)

And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them. (John 17:26)

*Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: **ask, and ye shall receive**, that your joy may be full At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you: **For the Father himself loveth you**, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. (John 16:24, 26, 27)*

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a

stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, **how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?** (Matt. 7:7-11)

*For the Lord your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward: He doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and **loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.*** (Deut. 10:17-18)

*The Lord openeth the eyes of the blind: the Lord raiseth them that are bowed down: **the Lord loveth the righteous:** The Lord preserveth the strangers; he relieveth the fatherless and widow: but the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.* (Psalm 146:8-9)

I love them that love me;** and those that seek me early shall find me. Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness. My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver. I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment: **That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures. (Prov. 8:17-21)

*Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: **but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption:** for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back. For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.* (Isa. 38:17-18)

*All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among them hath declared these things? **The Lord hath loved him:** he will do his pleasure on Babylon, and his arm shall be on the Chaldeans. I, even I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought him, and **he shall make his way prosperous.** (Isa. 48:14-15)*

*In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: **in his love and in his pity he redeemed them;** and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. (Isa. 63:9)*

*The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, **I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee. Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built,** O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry. (Jer. 31:3-4)*

The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing. (Zeph. 3:17)

*The Lord did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: **But because the Lord loved you,** and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, **hath the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.** (Deut. 7:7-8)*

*And **he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he will also bless the fruit of thy womb, and the fruit of thy land,** thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep, in the*

land which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee. Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle. (Deut. 7:13-14)

*Nevertheless the Lord thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but the Lord thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, **because the Lord thy God loved thee.** (Deut. 23:5)*

***Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?** shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, *For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.* Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to **separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.** (Rom. 8:35-39)*

But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) (Eph. 2:4-5)

*Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, **which hath loved us,** and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace. (2 Thess. 2:16)*

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. (1 John 3:1)

*There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. **We love him, because he first loved us.** (1 John 4:18-19)*

*Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and **to know that I have loved thee.** (Rev. 3:9)*

God's Promises about His Promises

Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. (2 Pet. 1:4)

*And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and now all the promises God gave to him **belong to you**. (Gal. 3:29; New Living Translation)*

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

True faith is being sure of the hope we have and being certain that we shall see what has been promised, even though we do not see these things at present. (The Truth New Testament by Colin Urquhart)

*Therefore it is of **faith**, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be **sure** to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all. (Rom. 4:16)*

*So the promise is received by faith. It is given as a free gift. And **we are all certain to receive it**, whether or not we live according to the law of Moses, if we have faith like Abraham's. For Abraham is the father of all who believe. (New Living Translation)*

*For he will rescue you from every trap and protect you from the fatal plague. He will shield you with his wings. He will shelter you with his feathers. **His faithful promises are your armor and protection**. (Psalm 91:4-4; New Living Translation)*

*Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath: That by two immutable things, in which it was **impossible for God to lie**, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us. (Heb. 6:17-18)*

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised) (Heb. 10:23)

Let us hold on to the hope we say we have and not be changed. We can trust God that He will do what He promised. (New Life Version)

*Through faith also Sarah herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because **she judged him faithful that promised**. (Heb. 11:11)*

*God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and **shall he not do it?** or hath he spoken, and shall **he not make it good?** (Num. 23:19)*

God is not a human being. Humans lie, but God never lies. He never changes his mind, as humans do. Whatever he has said that he will do, he does. Whatever he has promised to do, he has done it. (Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

*In hope of eternal life, which God, **that cannot lie**, promised before the world began. (Titus 1:2)*

*Blessed be the Lord, that hath given rest unto His people Israel, according to all that he promised: there hath **not***

failed one word of his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant. (1 Kings 8:56)

There failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass. (Josh. 21:45)

*And, behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth: and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that **not one thing hath failed of all the good things** which the LORD your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, and not one thing hath failed thereof. Therefore it shall come to pass, **that as all good things are come upon you, which the LORD your God promised you**; so shall the LORD bring upon you all evil things, until he have destroyed you from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you. (Josh. 23:14-15)*

For no promise of God can fail to be fulfilled. (Luke 1:37; Phillip's New Testament)

The Lord answered Moses, "Is the Lord's power limited? You will see whether or not what I have promised will happen to you." (Num. 11:23; Holman Christian Standard Bible)

He staggered not at the promise through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; and being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he is able also to perform. (Rom. 4:21)

Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto. Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds,

*as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ. And I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that **it should make the promise of none effect.** (Gal. 3:15-17)*

But now hath he [Jesus] obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises. (Heb. 8:6)

Nevertheless my lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness to fail. My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips. Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David. (Psalm 89:33-35)

How could I revoke my covenant of love that I promised David? For I have given him my word, my holy, irrevocable word. How could I lie to my loving servant David? (Psalm 89:34-35; The Passion Translation)

So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. (Isa. 55:11)

*For thus saith the LORD, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon **I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you,** in causing you to return to this place. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. (Jer. 29:10-12)*

This is what the Lord says: “You will be in Babylon for seventy years. But then I will come and do for you all the good things I have promised, and I will bring you home again. (Jer. 29:10; New Living Translation)

*Then the heathen that are left about you shall know that I the Lord build the ruined places, and plant that that was desolate: **I the Lord have spoken it, and I will do it.** Thus saith the Lord God; I will yet for this be enquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them; I will increase them with men like a flock. (Ezek. 36:36-37)*

I publicly proclaim bold promises. I do not whisper obscurities in some dark corner so no one can understand what I mean. And I did not tell the people of Israel to ask me for something I did not plan to give. I, the LORD, speak only what is true and right (Isa. 45:19; New Living Translation)

“O Jerusalem, I have posted watchmen on your walls; they will pray to the LORD day and night for the fulfillment of his promises. Take no rest, all you who pray” (Isa. 62:6; The New Living Translation)

*A man cannot please God unless he has faith. Anyone who comes to God must believe that He is. That one must also know that **God gives what is promised** to the one who keeps on looking for Him. (Heb. 11:6; New Life Version)*

In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory. (Eph. 1:13-14)

And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end: That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises. (Heb. 6:11-12)

I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins. Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified. (Isa. 43:25-26)

And now, O Lord God, the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant, and concerning his house, establish it for ever, and do as thou hast said And now, O Lord GOD, thou art that God, and thy words be true, and thou hast promised this goodness unto thy servant: Therefore now let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue for ever before thee: for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken it: and with thy blessing let the house of thy servant be blessed for ever. (2 Sam. 7:25, 28, 29)

I publicly proclaim bold promises. I do not whisper obscurities in some dark corner so no one can understand what I mean. And I did not tell the people of Israel to ask me for something I did not plan to give. I, the LORD, speak only what is true and right (Isa. 45:19; New Living Translation)

God keeps every promise he makes. He is like a shield for all who seek his protection. (Prov. 30:5; Good News Translation)

The Possibilities of Faith

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. (Rom. 10:17)

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. (Heb. 11:1)

(For we walk by faith, not by sight:) (2 Cor. 5:7)

*Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, **thou shouldst see the glory of God?** (John 11:40)*

*Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: **blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.** (John 20:29)*

*But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; **thy faith hath made thee whole.** And the woman was made whole from that hour. (Matt. 9:22)*

*And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; **thy faith hath made thee whole.** And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way. (Mark 10:52)*

*When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and **as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee.** And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour. (Matthew 8:10, 13)*

And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I

*am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord. Then touched he their eyes, saying, **According to your faith be it unto you.** (Matt. 9:28-29)*

*Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: **be it unto thee even as thou wilt.** And her daughter was made whole from that very hour. (Matt. 15:28)*

*And blessed is she that believed: for **there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.** (Luke 1:45)*

*Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, **all things are possible to him that believeth.** (Mark 9:23)*

*And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and **nothing shall be impossible unto you.** (Matt. 17:20)*

*And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and **it should obey you.** (Luke 17:6)*

*Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; **it shall be done.** And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive. (Matt. 21:21-22)*

And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto

*this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; **he shall have whatsoever he saith.** Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. (Mark 11:22-24)*

***And these signs shall follow them that believe;** In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. (Mk. 16:17-18)*

*Verily, verily, I say unto you, **He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also;** and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. (John 14:12)*

He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? (Gal. 3:5)

*And his name **through faith in his name hath made this man strong,** whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all. (Acts 3:16)*

And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. (Acts 6:8)

The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed, Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked. (Acts 14:9-10)

That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises. (Heb. 6:12)

*Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all, (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were. **Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be.** (Rom. 4:16-18)*

*And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: **He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;** And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform. (Rom. 4:19-21)*

Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. (Eph. 4:16)

*Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: **And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.** (James 5:14-15)*

Guaranteed Answers to Prayer

And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him. (1 John 5:14-15)

*And we can be confident that he will listen to us whenever we ask him for anything in line with his will. And if we know he is listening **when we make our requests, we can be sure that he will give us what we ask for** (1 John 5:14, 15; New Living Translation)*

*And **whatsoever we ask, we receive of him**, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight (1 John 3:22)*

*If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, **he shall ask, and he shall give him life** for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it. (1 John 5:16)*

And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested (1 Chron. 4:10)

*I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. **If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.***

Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples (John 15:5-8).

*If you maintain a living communion with me and my words are at home in you, I command you to ask, at once, something for yourself, **whatever your heart desires**, and it will become yours. (John 15:7; The New Testament: An Expanded Translation by Kenneth S. Wuest)*

*Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall **ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.** (John 15:16)*

And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it. (John 14:13-14)

*And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, **he will give it you.** Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: **ask, and ye shall receive**, that your joy may be full. (John 16:23-24)*

*But without faith it is impossible to please him: for **he that cometh to God must believe** that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him (Heb. 11:6)*

*If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and **it shall be given him.** (James 1:5-7)*

*And **because you answer prayer**, all mankind will come to you with their requests. (Psalm 65:2; Living Bible)*

*Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to **give good gifts** unto your children, how much more shall **your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?** (Matt. 7:7-11)*

*Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the ruined places, and plant that that was desolate: **I the LORD have spoken it, and I will do it.** Thus saith the Lord God: **I will** yet for this be inquired of by the house of Israel, **to do it for them; I will increase them with men like a flock.** (Eze. 36:36-37)*

Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven (Matt. 18:18-19)

*Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And **the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up;** and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him (James 5:14-15)*

*Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel, saying, **Because I have asked him of the LORD.** (1 Sam. 1:20)*

*I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and **I will fill it** (Psalm 81:10)*

*He shall call upon me, and **I will answer him**: I will be with him in trouble; **I will deliver him**, and honour him. (Psalm 91:15)*

*Thou calledst in trouble, and **I delivered thee**; **I answered thee** in the secret place of thunder: I proved thee at the waters of Meribah. Selah. (Psalm 81:7)*

***Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things**, which thou knowest not. 18 And I will surely hide my face in that day for all the evils which they shall have wrought, in that they are turned unto other gods. (Jer. 33:3)*

*Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done. And all things, **whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive**. (Matthew 21:21-22)*

*Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and **ye shall have them**. (Mark 11:24)*

But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. (Matt. 6:6)

Salvation from Eternal Damnation

*Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; **Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.** (1 Tim. 2:4-6)*

*The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, **not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.** (2 Pet. 3:9)*

Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: and not that he should return from his ways, and live? For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye. (Eze. 18:23, 32)

Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel? (Eze. 33:11)

*But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should **taste death for every man.** (Heb. 2:9)*

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. (John 14:6)

Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. (Acts 4:12)

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. (Eph. 2:8-9)

*And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, **Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.** (Acts 16:30-31)*

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. (Rom. 10:9-11)

Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures. (1 Cor. 15:1-4)

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. (Rom. 1:16)

And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved. (Acts 2:21)

For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. (Rom. 10:13)

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. (Mark 16:16)

*But as many as received him, to them **gave he power to become the sons of God**, even to them that believe on his name. (John 1:12)*

That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. (John 3:15-18)

***He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life:** and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him. (John 3:36)*

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. (John 5:24)

And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day. (John 6:40)

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life. (John 6:47)

But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name. (John 20:31)

He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. (1 John 5:10-12)

And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life. (1 John 2:25)

*In hope of eternal life, which God, **that cannot lie**, promised before the world began. (Titus 1:2)*

In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory. (Eph. 1:13-14)

*And that **he died for all**, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. (2 Cor. 5:15)*

For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. (Rom. 5:6-9)

Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. (Rom. 5:18)

*Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; **Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.** (Titus 2:13-14)*

Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. (John 10:7, 9)

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. (Matt. 7:13-14)

Questions

Question: Some contend that only those who were predestined for salvation—the elect—were covered by Christ's atonement. Is this true?

Answer: We can't get into all the specifics of this pointless argument due to space constraints. It necessitates studying several terms that have strong religious connotations, such as *election* and *predestination*. These subjects are covered in other materials that we offer. The reader should remember the statements said above, nevertheless, that Christ died for all people and that God wants everyone to be rescued, not

doomed. All men have access to salvation because of Jesus. God now gives us the option of accepting or rejecting what Christ accomplished. This should be sufficient for you to comprehend God's immense love for all men and for you in particular. If you haven't already, just pray and invite Him to enter your heart on the basis of His promises:

Lord Jesus:

I invite you to enter my heart right now. You said in your word that I will be saved if I confess you with my mouth and believe in my heart that God raised you from the dead (Rom. 10:9). I admit that I am a sinner in need of your forgiveness and a change in my character. I am sorry for all of my sins. I know you won't turn down any that comes your way (John 6:37). Thank you for dying for me so that I could be born again. Father, thank you for Jesus. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for entering my life. AMEN.

This is enough to secure your salvation. As you develop in your relationship with Him, God is ready to help you with other issues pertaining to salvation.

Assurance of Salvation

Note: Christians who have been born-again can be completely confident in their salvation and that, after death, they will be with Christ:

*These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye **may know that ye have eternal life**, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God. (1 John 5:13)*

But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name. (John 20:31)

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name. (John 1:12)

*Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, **hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation**; but is passed from death unto life. (John 5:24)*

*Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me **hath everlasting life**. (John 6:47)*

To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins. (Acts 10:43)

The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God. (Rom. 8:16; NKJV)

He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar;

because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. (1 John 5:10)

And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. (Gal. 4:6)

All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. (John 6:37)

Assurance is not by feelings but by faith

(For we walk by faith, not by sight:) (2 Cor. 5:7)

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. (Rom. 10:9-10)

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. (Eph. 2:8-9)

Though feelings fluctuate, God's Word is unwavering. God is not a liar, and that is the first thing you need to always keep in mind. He does not deceive anyone. He doesn't engage in subversive behavior. When a voice informing you that you are not saved speaks to you after you have made Jesus your Lord, that voice is not coming from God but from Satan and his demons. Never listen to such words that go against the promises of God's Word.

Questions

Question: Can a person lose their salvation?

Answer: It depends on how one defines “losing it.” Without a doubt, individuals who sincerely seek to obey the Lord and love Him cannot be cut off from Him:

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:35-39)

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. I and my Father are one. (John 10:27-30)

No one who *follows* Christ can be taken away or separated from Him. We may occasionally err and miss the mark, but with sincerity, repentance, and the knowledge that God would pardon us when we confess our transgressions to Him, no honest Christian need fear.

Question: What about people who continue to sin and later turn away from Christ?

Answer: We are no longer serving the Lord if we willfully transgress and refuse to turn from our wrongdoing. We are in sin if we do not follow Christ. Long-term sinful persistence kills the inner man (Rom. 6:23; James 1:14-15; Eze. 3:18-19; 18:24). Unrepentant sinners are unable to enter God's kingdom (1 Cor. 6:9-10; Gal. 5:19-21). Apart from holiness, no man shall see the Lord (Heb. 12:14). Hence, having assurance of salvation

does not give you permission to sin. By sinning, we might damage ourselves and forfeit salvation of our own free will. Don't live a sinful life. Confess your sins Immediately:

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

He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy. (Prov. 28:13)

Health and Healing

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. (3 John 2)

*Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil. **It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.** (Prov. 3:7-8)*

*My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and **health to all their flesh.** (Prov. 4:20-22)*

*Fools because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities, are afflicted. Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near unto the gates of death. Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saveth them out of their distresses. **He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.** Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! (Psalm 107:17-21)*

*Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; **who healeth all thy diseases;** Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies (Psalm 103-2-4)*

*And ye shall serve the LORD your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and **I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.** There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil. (Exodus 23:25-26)*

*He will certainly save you from hidden traps and from deadly sickness. He will cover you with his wings. Under the feathers of his wings you will find safety. He is faithful. He will keep you safe like a shield or a tower. You won't have to be afraid of the terrors that come during the night. You won't have to fear the arrows that come at you during the day. **You won't have to be afraid of the sickness that attacks in the darkness.** You won't have to fear the plague that destroys at noon. A thousand may fall dead at your side. Ten thousand may fall near your right hand. But no harm will come to you. (Psalm 91:3-7; New International Reader's Version)*

*Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: **And the prayer of faith shall save the sick,** and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. (James 5:14-15)*

*And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; **they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.** (Mark 16:17-18)*

*Surely **He has borne our sicknesses,** and He carried our pain; yet we esteemed Him plagued, smitten by Elohim, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions; He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and **with His wounds we ourselves are healed.** (Isa. 53:4-5; Hebrew Roots Bible)*

*When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and **healed all that were sick**: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, **Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.** (Matt. 8:16-17).*

*Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: **by whose stripes ye were healed.** (1 Peter 2:24)*

*But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also **quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit** that dwelleth in you. (Rom. 8:11)*

*For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be **made manifest in our mortal flesh.** (2 Cor. 4:11)*

Questions and Answers

Question: Is it always God's will to heal?

Answer: Yes! Jesus "*healed them all*" (Matt. 12:15; See also Matt. 4:24; 8:16; Luke 4:40; 6:17-19).

Question: Does God afflict with sickness?

Answer: No! Sickness is the work of sin and the devil, never of God (Job 2:7; Luke 13:16; Acts 10:38; Mark 2:3-12; John 5:5-14)

Question: What about the verses in the Bible that claim God caused people to be sick?

Answer: The "idiom of permission," a well-known Hebrew idiom, was not consistently translated in certain

instances in our English translations. Two verses should be noted that imply God causes disease:

*And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: **for I am the LORD that healeth thee.** (Exodus 15:26)*

And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all them that hate thee. (Deut. 7:15)

Scholars point to these and other Scripture passages, noting that they should be interpreted in a *permissive* rather than a *causative* sense:

.... it is well known, that in Scripture, God is frequently represented as doing what, in the course of his providence, **he only permits to be done. Ex.15:26. De.7.15. 1 Sa.2:6. Pr.3.33. Is.45.7. Am.3.6.-6.11. Mi.6.9.**¹ (Emphasis added)

The two verses above should be seen as guarantees of protection from illness as a result of following God's commands. When we choose not to follow Him, God cannot shield us from illness. Consequently, if we choose to worship sin and Satan, He will *permit* (not bring about) sickness.

¹ The Treasury Bible: Containing the Authorized English Version of the Scriptures and The Treasury of Scripture Knowledge (London: Samuel Bagster, 1833), p. 30

Pregnancy and Protection from Miscarriage

*And ye shall serve the LORD your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee. There shall **nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land**: the number of thy days I will fulfil. (Exodus 23:25-26)*

*There **shall not be one miscarrying**, nor one barren in your land. I will fulfill the number of your days. (v. 26; Hebrew Roots Bible)*

*Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female **barren among you**, or among your cattle. And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all them that hate thee. (Deut. 7:14-15)*

Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. (Deut. 28:4)

The Lord will bless you and give you many children. He will bless your land and give you good crops. He will bless your animals and let them have many babies. He will bless all your calves and lambs. (Easy-to-Read Version)

And the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD swore unto thy fathers to give thee. (Deut. 28:11)

*Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and **the fruit of the womb** is his reward. (Psalm 127:3)*

“He gives the unfertile woman a family, making her a happy mother of children. Give praise to the Lord” (Psalm 113:9; Bible in Basic English).

And the Lord visited Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did unto Sarah as he had spoken. For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him. (Gen. 21:1-2)

Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel, saying, Because I have asked him of the LORD. (1 Sam. 1:20)

Your cousin Elisabeth has also conceived a son, old as she is. Indeed, this is the sixth month for her, a woman who was called barren. For no promise of God can fail to be fulfilled. (Luke 1:36-37; Phillip’s New Testament)

God gave them his blessing and said: Have a lot of children! Fill the earth with people and bring it under your control. (Gen. 1:28; Contemporary English Version)

*And he said, What then is to be done for her? And Gehazi answered, Verily she hath no child, and her husband is old. And he said, Call her. And when he had called her, she stood in the door. And he said, About this season, according to the time of life, thou shalt embrace a son **And the woman conceived, and bare a son** at that season that Elisha had said unto her, according to the time of life. (2 Kings 4:14-16a, 17)*

Victory Over Sin and Temptation

*BETH. Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word. With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. **Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.** (Psalm 119:9-11)*

*And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for **he shall save his people from their sins.** (Matt. 1:21)*

*Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, **being dead to sins**, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. (1 Peter 2:24)*

*Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. **For he that is dead is freed from sin.** Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. (Rom. 6:6-9)*

***Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.** Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace. (Rom. 6:11-14)*

*For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus **hath made me free from the law of sin and death.** For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. (Rom. 8:2-4)*

*But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. And if Christ be in you, **the body is dead because of sin;** but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. (Rom. 8:9-10)*

For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. (Rom. 8:13)

*Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and **the truth shall make you free.** (John 8:31-32)*

*Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever. **If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.** (John 8:34-36)*

*Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith **Christ hath made us free,** and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. (Gal. 5:1)*

*This I say then, **Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.** For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are*

contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. (Gal. 5:16-18)

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. **If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.** (Gal. 5:22-25)*

*But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. Submit yourselves therefore to God. **Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.** (James 4:6-7)*

*And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. **Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not:** whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him. (1 John 3:5-6)*

*All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death. **We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not;** but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not. (1 John 5:17-18)*

*The Lord knoweth how to **deliver the godly out of temptations,** and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished. (2 Pet. 2:9)*

*There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will **with the temptation also make a way to escape,** that ye may be able to bear it. (1 Cor. 10:13)*

*And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, **What, could ye not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak** (Mat. 26:40, 41)*

Do not let us do wrong things when we are tempted, and rescue us when Satan tries to harm us. (Matt. 6:13; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need (Heb. 4:15, 16)

But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway. (1 Cor. 9:27)

*Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having **escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust**. (2 Pet. 1:4)*

Victory Over Satan and Demons

*And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and **between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.** (Gen. 3:14-15)*

*Now is the time for this world to be judged; now **the ruler of this world will be overthrown.** (John 12:31; Good News Translation)*

*These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; **I have overcome the world** (John 16:33)*

*I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have [perfect] peace and confidence. In the world you have tribulation and trials and distress and frustration; but be of good cheer [take courage; be confident, certain, undaunted]! For I have overcome the world. [I have deprived it of power to harm you and **have conquered it for you.**] (The Amplified Bible)*

*Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might **destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;** And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. (Heb. 2:14-15)*

He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was

manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. (1 John 3:8)

*How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and **healing all that were oppressed of the devil**; for God was with him.* (Acts 10:38)

*If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his **kingdom stand**? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace: But when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and **overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils.*** (Luke 11:18-22)

Therefore it is said, When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive [He led a train of vanquished foes] and He bestowed gifts on men” (Eph. 4:8; The Amplified Bible).

*Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; **And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.*** (Col. 2:14-15)

God took away the power of the leaders of this world and the powers of darkness. He showed them to the world. The battle was won over them through Christ. (New Life Version)

*He disarmed the principalities and dominions and displayed them openly, **triumphing over them through him**.* (Col. 2:12-15; Goodspeed New Testament)

*We do discuss 'wisdom' with those who are mature; only it is not the wisdom of this world or of the **dethroned Powers who rule this world**, it is the mysterious Wisdom of God that we discuss, that hidden wisdom which God decreed from all eternity for our glory. (2 Cor. 2:6-7; The James Moffatt Bible)*

*And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. **And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb**, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death (Rev. 12:7-11).*

*Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: **Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son**: In whom we have redemption **through his blood**, even the forgiveness of sins (Col. 1:12-14)*

*I write unto you, fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I write unto you, young men, because **ye have overcome the wicked one**. I write unto you, little children, because ye have known the Father. I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and **ye have overcome the wicked one**. (1 John 2:14-15)*

*Fathers, I write to you because you know him, the one who has lived from the beginning. Young men, I write to you because you are strong. **You believe God's word. You have won the victory over the devil**" (World English New Testament)*

Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. (1 John 4:4)

For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? (1 John 5:4-5)

Authority Over Satan and Demons

*And these signs shall follow them that believe; **In my name shall they cast out devils**; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. (Mark 16:17-18)*

*And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. **Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy**: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven. (Luke 10:17-20)*

*You will not be afraid of plagues that demons cause when they attack people at night or of other evil forces that kill people at midday Yahweh protects me; trust God Almighty to shelter you, too. If you do, nothing evil will happen to you; no plague will come near your house because Yahweh will command his angels to protect you in whatever you are doing. They will hold you up with their hands so that you will not hurt your foot on a big stone. You will be kept safe from being harmed by your enemies; **it will be as though you were killing strong lions and poisonous snakes by stepping on them!** (Ps. 91:8, 9-13; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)*

*Submit yourselves therefore to God. **Resist the devil**, and he will flee from you. (James 4:7)*

*Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: **Whom resist steadfast in the faith**, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. (1 Pet. 5:8-9)*

*Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to **stand against the wiles of the devil**. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to **withstand** in the evil day, and having done all, to stand (Eph. 6:10-13)*

Neither give place to the devil. (Eph. 4:27)

And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will. (2 Tim. 2:26)

*We do not use those things to fight with that the world uses. We use the things God gives to fight with and they have power. Those things God gives to fight with **destroy the strong-places of the devil**. (2 Cor. 10:4; New Life Version)*

*For thou hast made him but **little lower than God**, And crownest him with glory and honor. Thou makest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; **Thou hast put all things under his feet**: (Psalm 8:5-6; American Standard Version)*

Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly

places, Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: **And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.** (Eph. 1:20-23)

Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, **according to the prince of the power of the air**, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience.... Even when we were dead in sins, **hath quickened us together with Christ**, (by grace ye are saved;) **And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus** (Eph. 2:2, 5, 6)

For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; **much more** they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness **shall reign in life** by one, Jesus Christ” (Rom. 5:17)

Nay, in all these things **we are more than conquerors through him that loved us**. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, **nor principalities, nor powers**, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Rom. 8:37-39)

We know that if a person is a child of Yahweh, he does not keep sinning again and again. Instead, the Son of Yahweh protects him so that Satan, the evil one, does not harm him. We know that we belong to Yahweh, and we know that the whole world is under the control of the evil one. (1 John 5:18-19; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

*Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, **the works that I do shall he do also**; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. (John 14:12)*

The works of Jesus includes exercising authority over Satan and demons:

But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you. (Matt. 12:28)

Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give. (Matt. 10:8)

And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us. But Jesus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is on our part. (Mark 9:38-40)

And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. (Acts 8:6-7)

Deliverance in Troubles and Challenges

*These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. **In the world ye shall have tribulation:** but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world (John 16:33)*

***God is our refuge** and strength, **a very present help in trouble.** Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea (Psalm 46:1, 2)*

*He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: **I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him,** and honour him (Psalm 91:15)*

*Be sober, be vigilant; **because your adversary the devil,** as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that **the same afflictions** are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you (1 Pet. 5:8-10)*

*This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and **saved him out of all his troubles** he righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and **delivereth them out of all their troubles.** The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all. (Psalms 34:6, 17-19)*

Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like: He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the

stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock. (Luke 6:47-48)

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. (Isa. 43:2)

Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, and spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king. He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God. (Daniel 3:24-25)

My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt. (Dan. 6:22)

And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. (Job 42:10)

Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy. (James 5:11)

*And we say that those who accepted their troubles with patience now have God's blessing. You have heard about Job's patience. **You know that after all his troubles, the Lord helped him.** This shows that the Lord is full of mercy and is kind. (James 5:11; Easy to Read Version)*

*“God blesses those who take their troubles quietly and keep on believing. You have heard about Job's troubles and how he took them. And you have seen what the Lord did for him at the end. **The Lord is very kind and helps people.**”* (James 5:11; World English Bible)

*Art not thou our God, who didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before thy people Israel, and gavest it to the seed of Abraham thy friend for ever? And they dwelt therein, and have built thee a sanctuary therein for thy name, saying, If, when evil cometh upon us, as the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in thy presence, (for thy name is in this house,) and **cry unto thee in our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help.*** (2 Chron. 20:7-9)

Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah. (Psalm 32:7)

Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble. (Psalm 41:1)

And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me. (Psalm 50:15)

For he hath delivered me out of all trouble: and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies. (Psalm 54:7)

*And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him, **And delivered him out of all his afflictions,** and gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.* (Acts 7:9-10)

*Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom **we trust that he will yet deliver us**; Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift bestowed upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf. (2 Cor. 1:10-11)*

*And the Lord **shall deliver me from every evil work**, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (2 Tim. 4:18)*

Yes, and I shall rejoice. For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, (Phil. 1:19; Revised Standard Version)

*In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: **in his love and in his pity he redeemed them**; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. (Isa. 63:9)*

*And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent his angel, and **hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod**, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews. (Acts 12:11)*

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy Fools because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities, are afflicted. Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near unto the gates of death. Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saveth them out of their distresses. He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. (Psalm 107:2, 17-20)

God Will Deal with Your Oppressors

Note: God never intends for us to get revenge on those who have wronged us, not even through our prayers. But, the laws of sowing and reaping necessitate that those who persecute us without repentance will finally be dealt with. Both the Old and New Testaments contain promises to this effect. This is the nature of David's so-called "imprecatory psalms," in which he foretold the destruction of his unrepentant oppressors rather than pleading with God to bring it about.

He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor. (Psalm 72:4)

Deliver me from the oppression of man: so will I keep thy precepts. Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy statutes. (Psalm 119:134-135)

*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he has appointed me to preach Good News to the poor; he has sent me to heal the brokenhearted and to announce that captives shall be released and the blind shall see, that **the downtrodden shall be freed from their oppressors**, and that God is ready to give blessings to all who come to him."* (Luke 4:18-19; Living Bible)

And I will feed them that oppress thee with their own flesh; and they shall be drunken with their own blood, as with sweet wine: and all flesh shall know that I the Lord am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob. (Isaiah 49:26)

*Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and **I will punish all that oppress them.*** (Jer. 30:20)

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. **Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:** thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.* (Psalm 23:4-5)

When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him. (Prov. 16:7)

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. (Psalm 91:7-8)

*Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, **Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.** Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.* (Rom. 12:17-21)

*I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name. Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; **behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.*** (Rev. 3:8-9)

And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them? I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth? (Luke 18:7-8)

*Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to **recompense tribulation to them that trouble you**; And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. (2 Thess. 1:6-8)*

And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled. (Rev. 6:9-11)

Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her. (Rev. 18:20)

*Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord. His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, **until he see his desire upon his enemies**. (Psalm 112:6-8)*

The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him. The Lord will not leave him in his hand, nor

condemn him when he is judged. Wait on the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it. (Psalm 37:32-34)

But the salvation of the righteous is of the Lord: he is their strength in the time of trouble. And the Lord shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him. (Psalm 37:39-40)

The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways. (Deut. 28:7)

Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them. (Jer. 30:20)

And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place: and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of the Lord for servants and handmaids: and they shall take them captives, whose captives they were; and they shall rule over their oppressors. (Isa. 14:2)

Prosperity and Abundance

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. (3 John 2)

*For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye **through his poverty might be rich.** (2 Cor. 8:9)*

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. (Joshua 1:8)

But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. (Psalm 1:2-3)

But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day. (Deut. 8:18)

*The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee **And the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods,** in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give thee. The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt*

lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow. (Deut. 28:8, 11, 12)

Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. (Prov. 3:9-10)

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. (Mal. 3:10)

But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever. Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;) Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God. (2 Cor. 9:6, 8-11)

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. (Luke 6:38)

Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the

upright shall be blessed. Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever. (Psalm 112:1-3)

*And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, **to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; Then beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. (Deut. 6:10-12)***

*Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies; **Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things;** so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. (Psalm 103:2-5)*

*I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: **open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.** (Psalm 81:10)*

*A faithful man shall **abound with blessings;** but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent. (Prov. 28:20)*

*In his days shall **the righteous flourish;** and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth. (Psalm 72:7)*

*May all the godly flourish during his reign. May there be **abundant prosperity** until the moon is no more. (New Living Translation)*

*May godly people do well as long as he rules. **May they have more than they need** as long as the moon lasts. (New International Reader's Version)*

He that trusteth in his riches shall fall; but the righteous shall flourish as a branch. (Prov. 11:28)

The house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish. (Prov. 14:11)

*For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity. Not because I desire a gift: **but I desire fruit that may abound to your account.** But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God. (Phil. 4:16-18)*

*And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and **for all the prosperity that I procure unto it.** (Jer. 33:9)*

*Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the Lord be magnified, **which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.** (Psalm 35:27)*

A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just. (Prov. 13:22)

Material and Financial Needs Met

*And if God so clothes the wild herbage which to-day flourishes and to-morrow is thrown into the oven, **is it not much more certain that He will clothe you, you men of little faith?**” (Mat. 6:30; Weymouth's New Testament)*

*Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. **But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.** (Matt. 6:31-33)*

*But my **God shall supply all your need** according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Phil. 4:19).*

O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him. The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing (Psalm 34:9-10)

I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed. (Psalm 37:25-26)

*The LORD is my shepherd; **I shall not want.** He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. (Psalm 23:1-2)*

If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land. (Isa. 1:19)

Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness. (Isa. 55:1-2)

*For the LORD thy God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy hand: he knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness: these forty years the LORD thy God hath been with thee; **thou hast lacked nothing.** (Deut. 2:7)*

Thou gavest also thy good spirit to instruct them, and withheldest not thy manna from their mouth, and gavest them water for their thirst. Yea, forty years didst thou sustain them in the wilderness, so that they lacked nothing; their clothes waxed not old, and their feet swelled not. (Neh. 9:20-21)

I am the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it The haters of the Lord should have submitted themselves unto him: but their time should have endured for ever. He should have fed them also with the finest of the wheat: and with honey out of the rock should I have satisfied thee. (Psalm 81:10, 15, 16)

*Live without constantly wanting money, and be happy no matter how much or little you own. Remember what Moses wrote that Yahweh said: **“I will never leave you; I will never stop providing for you.”** So we can say confidently as the psalmist said, “Since the Lord is the one who helps me, I will not be afraid! People can do nothing to me that will keep Yahweh from helping me.” (Heb. 13:5-6; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)*

Homes and Land (Real Estate)

Note: The material provision of God includes (but is not limited to) food, clothing, shelter, and *real estate* (houses, land, buildings, etc.). No child of God has to go hungry or homeless.

*And I sent the hornet before you, which drave them out from before you, even the two kings of the Amorites; but not with thy sword, nor with thy bow. And **I have given you a land for which ye did not labour, and cities which ye built not, and ye dwell in them;** of the vineyards and oliveyards which ye planted not do ye eat. (Josh. 24:12-13)*

*And it shall be, when the Lord thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, **And houses full of all good things,** which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; Then beware lest thou forget the Lord, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. (Deut. 6:10-12)*

*And they took strong cities, and a fat land, **and possessed houses full of all goods,** wells digged, vineyards, and oliveyards, and fruit trees in abundance: so they did eat, and were filled, and became fat, and delighted themselves in thy great goodness. (Neh. 9:25)*

*He forced the other nations out before them and **gave each family its share of the land.** He gave each tribe of Israel a place to live. (Psalm 78:55; Easy to Read Version)*

He drove out the inhabitants as his people advanced; he divided their land among the tribes of Israel and gave their homes to his people. (Psalm 78:55; Good News Translation)

And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the labour of the people. (Psalm 105:44)

A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just. (Prov. 13:22)

*And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, But he shall receive an hundredfold **now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.** (Mark 10:29-30)*

*And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that **he made them houses.** (Exodus 1:21)*

*And as since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the Lord telleth thee that **he will make thee an house.** (2 Sam. 7:11)*

God provides homes for those who are deserted. He leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious live in a scorched land. (Psalm 68:6; Christian Standard Bible)

Job, Employment and Career Opportunities

Note: Since it is His will for you to work and earn a living and you recognize this as being true then this is the catalyst for your faith that God will open doors and bless you with job and career opportunities.

*I know thy works: behold, **I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it:** for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name. (Rev. 3:8)*

*And let the beauty and delightfulness and favor of the Lord our God be upon us; **confirm and establish the work of our hands**—yes, the work of our hands, confirm and establish it. (Psalm 90:17; Amplified Bible)*

*And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to **work with your own hands**, as we commanded you; That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and **that ye may have lack of nothing**. (1 Thess. 4:11-12)*

*Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought; but wrought with labour and travail night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you: Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us. For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat. For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies. Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness **they work, and eat their own bread**. But ye, brethren, be not weary in well doing. (2 Thess. 3:8-13)*

*I have shewed you all things, how that **so labouring ye ought to support the weak**, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. (Acts 20:35)*

*Let him that stole steal no more: but rather **let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good**, that he may have to give to him that needeth. (Eph. 4:28)*

*Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but **he that gathereth by labour shall increase**. (Prov. 13:11)*

***In all labour there is profit**: but the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury. (Prov. 14:23)*

***For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee**. Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table. Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the Lord. (Psalm 128:2-4)*

But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel. (1 Tim. 5:8)

Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God: And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ. (Col. 3:22-24; see also Eph. 6:5-8)

Success (Prosperity) in Career, Ministry & Life

*This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then **thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.** (Josh. 1:8)*

*Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and **whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.** (Psalm 1:1-3)*

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. (3 John 2)

*And he said unto me, The Lord, before whom I walk, will send his angel with thee, and **prosper thy way**; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house. (Gen. 24:40)*

*And the Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. And his master saw that the Lord was with him, and that **the Lord made all that he did to prosper in his hand.** (Gen. 39:3-3)*

And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer of it. The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing that was under his hand;

because the Lord was with him, and that which he did, the Lord made it to prosper. (Gen. 39:22-23)

Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do. (Deut. 29:9)

*And keep the charge of the Lord thy God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies, as it is written in the law of Moses, **that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself.** (1 Kings 2:3)*

*He trusted in the Lord God of Israel; so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor any that were before him. For he clave to the Lord, and departed not from following him, but kept his commandments, which the Lord commanded Moses. And **the Lord was with him; and he prospered whithersoever he went forth:** and he rebelled against the king of Assyria, and served him not. (2 Kings 18:5-7)*

*Now, my son, **the Lord be with thee; and prosper thou,** and build the house of the Lord thy God, as he hath said of thee **Then shalt thou prosper,** if thou takest heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which the Lord charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed. (1 Chron. 22:11, 13)*

Then Solomon sat on the throne of the Lord as king instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him. (1 Chron. 29:23)

And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye

*inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in the Lord your God, so shall ye be established; **believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.*** (2 Chron. 20:20)

*And he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God: and **as long as he sought the Lord, God made him to prosper.*** (2 Chron. 26:5)

*And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, **to seek his God, he did it with all his heart, and prospered.*** (2 Chron. 31:21)

*This same Hezekiah also stopped the upper watercourse of Gihon, and brought it straight down to the west side of the city of David. **And Hezekiah prospered in all his works.*** (2 Chron. 32:30)

*Be it known unto the king, that we went into the province of Judea, to the house of the great God, which is builded with great stones, and timber is laid in the walls, and this work goeth fast on, and **prospereth in their hands.*** (Ezra 5:8)

*Then answered I them, and said unto them, **The God of heaven, he will prosper us;** therefore we his servants will arise and build: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem.* (Neh. 8:20)

*Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the Lord be magnified, **which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.*** (Psalm 35:27)

Save now, I beseech thee, O Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, send now prosperity. (Psalm 118:25)

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee. (Psalm 122:6)

So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian. (Daniel 6:28)

Making request, if by any means now at length I might have a prosperous journey by the will of God to come unto you. (Romans 1:10)

Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come. (1 Cor. 16:2)

Thus saith the Lord, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go. (Isa. 48:17)

Promotion and Exaltation

*Lift not up your horn on high: speak not with a stiff neck. **For promotion** cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: **he putteth down one, and setteth up another.** (Ps. 75:5-7)*

*Wait on the Lord, and keep his way, and **he shall exalt thee to inherit the land:** when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it. (Psalm 37:34)*

*And therefore will the Lord wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and **therefore will he be exalted,** that he may have mercy upon you: for the Lord is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait for him. (Isa. 30:18)*

*The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow. **And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath;** if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them. (Deut. 28:12-13)*

*And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and **he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand.** And it came to pass from the time that he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field. And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat.*

And Joseph was a goodly person, and well favoured. (Gen. 39:4-6)

*But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison. And **the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer of it.** The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing that was under his hand; because the LORD was with him, and that which he did, the LORD made it to prosper. (Gen. 39:21-23)*

*And Pharaoh said unto his servants, Can we find such a one as this is, a man in whom the Spirit of God is? And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, there is none so discreet and wise as thou art: Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou. And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, **I have set thee over all the land of Egypt.** And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck; And he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had; and they cried before him, Bow the knee: and he made him ruler over all the land of Egypt. And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I am Pharaoh, and without thee shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt. (Gen. 41:38-44)*

*Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and **made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise men of Babylon.** (Dan. 2:48)*

*Therefore I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak any thing amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because there is no other God that can deliver after this sort. **Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the province of Babylon.** (Dan. 3:29-30)*

*And Saul was afraid of David, because the Lord was with him, and was departed from Saul. Therefore Saul removed him from him, and **made him his captain over a thousand**; and he went out and came in before the people. And David behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and the Lord was with him. (1 Samuel 18:12-14)*

*And **David perceived that the Lord had established him king over Israel**, and that he had exalted his kingdom for his people Israel's sake. (2 Sam. 5:12)*

*Blessed be the LORD thy God, **which delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel**: because the LORD loved Israel for ever, **therefore made he thee king**, to do judgment and justice. (1 Kings 10:9)*

*Go, tell Jeroboam, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Forasmuch as **I exalted thee from among the people**, and made thee prince over my people Israel. (1 Kings 14:7)*

*For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and **he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.** (Luke 14:11)*

*I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and **he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.** (Luke 18:14)*

The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility. (Prov. 15:33)

Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour is humility. (Prov. 18:12)

A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit. (Prov. 29:23)

*Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite. **The LORD lifteth up the meek:** he casteth the wicked down to the ground. (Psalm 147:5-6)*

*Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and **he shall lift you up.** (James 4:10)*

*Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. **Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:** Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. (1 Pet. 5:5-7)*

Land & Buildings (Ministry, Church, Business)

Now, behold, in my trouble I have prepared for the house of the Lord an hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mayest add thereto. Moreover there are workmen with thee in abundance, hewers and workers of stone and timber, and all manner of cunning men for every manner of work. Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, there is no number. Arise therefore, and be doing, and the Lord be with thee. (1 Chron. 22:14-16)

*Moreover I said unto the king, If it please the king, let letters be given me to the governors beyond the river, that they may convey me over till I come into Judah; And a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the palace which appertained to the house, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall enter into. **And the king granted me, according to the good hand of my God upon me.** (Neh. 2:7-8)*

*Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as also the king's words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good work. But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian, heard it, they laughed us to scorn, and despised us, and said, What is this thing that ye do? will ye rebel against the king? Then answered I them, and said unto them, **The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore we his servants will arise***

and build: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem. (Neh. 2:18-20)

*And they spake unto Moses, saying, **The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work,** which the LORD commanded to make. And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people were restrained from bringing. (Ex. 36:5-6)*

*Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and **he hath charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem,** which is in Judah. Who is there among you of all his people? his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and build the house of the LORD God of Israel, (he is the God,) which is in Jerusalem. And whosoever remaineth in any place where he sojourneth, let the men of his place help him with silver, and with gold, and with goods, and with beasts, beside the freewill offering for the house of God that is in Jerusalem. Then rose up the chief of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests, and the Levites, with all them whose spirit God had raised, to go up to build the house of the LORD which is in Jerusalem. And all they that were about them strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, beside all that was willingly offered. (Ezra 1:2-6)*

Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses. (Josh. 1:3)

Divine Protection

God keeps every promise he makes. He is like a shield for all who seek his protection. (Prov. 30:5; Good News Translation)

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. (Psalm 91:1-4)

Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet. (Psalm 91:9-13)

This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. (Psalm 34:6-7)

No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord. (Isa. 54:17)

*As birds flying, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver it; and passing over **he will preserve it.** (Isa. 31:5)*

The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe. (Prov. 18:10)

*Who are **kept by the power of God through faith** unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. (1 Pet. 1:5)*

*Now to **Him who is able to protect you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory, blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority before all time and now and [a]forever. Amen.** (Jude 24-25; New American Standard Bible)*

*'**Yahweh bless you and protect you.** May he smile on you and act kindly toward you. May he be good to you and cause things to go well for you.'*" Then Yahweh said, "If Aaron and his sons ask me to bless the Israelite people, truly I will bless them." (Num. 6:24-27; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

When they went from one nation to another, from one kingdom to another people; He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reprov'd kings for their sakes; Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm. (Psalm 105:13-15)

*Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and **nothing shall by any means hurt you.** (Luke 10:19)*

Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah. (Psalm 32:7)

Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble. The Lord will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness. (Psalm 41:1-3)

Ye that love the Lord, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked. (Psalm 97:10)

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. (Psalm 121:1-8)

Those who give Yahweh the honor he deserves have much confidence in him; giving honor to Yahweh will also protect your children. (Prov. 14:26; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

I will protect you like a farmer waters his crops carefully in order that they will grow well. I will guard you day and

night, in order that no one harms you. (Isa. 27:3; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

God, watch over the king, our protector. Be kind to him, the one you have chosen The Lord God is our protector and glorious king. He blesses us with kindness and honor. The Lord freely gives every good thing to those who do what is right. (Psalm 84:9, 11; Easy-to-Read Version)

But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee. For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield. (Psalm 5:11-12)

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him. (Psalm 28:7)

Blessed be the Lord my strength which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight: My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and he in whom I trust; who subdueth my people under me. (Psalm 144:1-2)

*But whoso hearkeneth unto me **shall dwell safely**, and shall be quiet from fear of evil. (Prov. 1:33)*

*Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace: For I am with thee, **and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee**: for I have much people in this city. And he continued there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them. (Acts 18:9-11)*

God's Abiding Protective Presence

*Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, **I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.** So that we may boldly say, *The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.* (Heb. 13:5-6)*

*The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: **for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.*** (Psalm 9:9-10)

*For the LORD loveth judgment, and **forsaketh not his saints;** they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.* (Ps. 37:28)

*When thou passest through the waters, **I will be with thee;** and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.* (Isa. 43:2)

*Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: **I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.** With long*

life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation. (Psalm 91:9-16)

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, **I will fear no evil: for thou art with me**; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever. (Psalm 23:4-6)*

*And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, **I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world**. Amen. (Matt. 28:18-20)*

*And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; **for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you**. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. (John 14:16-18)*

*Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; **he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee**. (Deut. 31:6)*

*There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: **I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee**. (Josh. 1:5)*

*Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: **for the LORD thy God is with thee** whithersoever thou goest. (Josh. 1:9)*

***And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it;** and his servants shall serve him: And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads. (Rev. 22:3-4)*

*Tell Aaron and his sons: You will bless the Israelites as follows. Say to them: The Lord bless you and protect you. **The Lord make his face shine on you** and be gracious to you. **The Lord lift up his face to you and grant you peace.** They will place my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them (Numbers 6:23-27; Common English Bible)*

*There be many that say, Who will shew us any good? **Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.** Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased. I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety. (Psalm 4:6-8)*

For thou hast made him most blessed for ever: thou hast made him exceeding glad with thy countenance. (Psalm 21:6)

*Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him **for the help of his countenance.** (Psalm 42:5)*

For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right

*hand, and thine arm, and **the light of thy countenance**, because thou hadst a favour unto them. (Psalm 44:3)*

*To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm or Song. **God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us; Selah. That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. (Psalm 67:1-2)***

Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved Turn us again, O LORD God of hosts, cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved. (Psalm 80:3, 7, 19)

Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of thy countenance. In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted. (Psalm 89:15-16)

***For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous**, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. (1 Pet. 3:12)*

***Hide not thy face far from me**; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation. (Psalm 27:9)*

Note: The *shining of God's face*, also known as His *countenance*, was a metaphor symbolizing His presence, favor, blessing, and protection over His people. The *Hiding* or *setting against* of God's face symbolized the loss of His presence, His refusal to answer prayer, the loss of His protection and all that is beneficial to having His abiding presence (Isaiah 59:1-2; 1 Pet. 3:12; Deut. 31:16-18; 32:20, 35; Eze. 39:23).

Angelic Ministry

*But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool? Are they not all ministering spirits, **sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?** (Heb. 1:13-14)*

Bless the Lord, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. Bless ye the Lord, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure. (Psalm 103:20-21)

Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels? (Matt. 26:52)

*Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven **their angels** do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven. (Matt. 18:10)*

This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. (Psalm 34:6-7)

*There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. **For he shall give his angels charge over thee**, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. (Psalm 91:10-12)*

Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. (Dan. 10:12)

And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. (Rev. 12:7-9)

And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. (Rev. 7:2-3)

*Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, and spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king. He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, **who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God.** (Daniel 3:24-25, 28)*

My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt. (Dan. 6:22)

Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. (John 5:2-4)

*Peter therefore was kept in prison: **but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.** And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the door kept the prison. And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me. And he went out, and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision. When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and forthwith the angel departed from him. (Acts 12:5-10)*

And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of any man's life among you, but of the ship. For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve, Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee. Wherefore, sirs, be

of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me. (Acts 27:22-25)

And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and said unto him, Arise and eat. And he looked, and, behold, there was a cake baked on the coals, and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again. And the angel of the Lord came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee. And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God. (1 Kings 19:5-8)

And for this cause Hezekiah the king, and the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz, prayed and cried to heaven. And the Lord sent an angel, which cut off all the mighty men of valour, and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria. So he returned with shame of face to his own land. And when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his own bowels slew him there with the sword. (2 Chron. 32:20-21)

And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them. And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha. (2 Kings 6:16-17)

*In all their affliction he was afflicted, **and the angel of his presence saved them:** in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. (Isa. 63:9)*

Protection in Pandemics and National Disasters

You will have no fear of diseases that come in the dark or terrible suffering that comes at noon. A thousand people may fall dead at your side or ten thousand right beside you, but nothing bad will happen to you! All you will have to do is watch, and you will see that the wicked are punished. (Psalm 91:6-8; Easy to Read Version)

.... You will not be afraid of plagues that demons cause when they attack people at night or of other evil forces that kill people at midday. Even if a thousand people fall dead alongside you, even if ten thousand people are dying around you, you will not be harmed. (Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

When we live our lives within the shadow of God Most High, our secret hiding place, we will always be shielded from harm. How then could evil prevail against us or disease infect us? (Psalm 91:10; The Passion Translation)

*You must worship me, Yahweh your Almighty. If you do that, I will bless your food and water, and **I will protect you from becoming sick.*** (Ex. 23:25; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

*And **the Lord will protect you** from all sickness. He will not let you suffer from the terrible diseases you knew in Egypt, but he will inflict them on all your enemies!* (Deut. 7:15; New Living Translation)

At the time the Lord goes through Egypt to kill the firstborn, he will see the blood on the sides and top of each doorframe. Then he will protect that house and not

let the Destroyer come into any of your houses and hurt you. (Ex. 12:23; Easy-to-Read Version)

*that if thou wilt not deliver the people (but if thou wilt not let the people go), lo! I shall send into thee, and into thy servants, and into thy people, and into thine houses, all the kind(s) of flies; and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full-filled with flies of diverse kinds, and all the land in which they shall be. And in that day I shall make wonderful the land of Goshen, in which my people is, that flies be not there; and that thou know that I am the Lord in the midst of [the] earth; (But on that day **I shall protect the land of Goshen, where my people be**, so that there shall be no flies there; and so that thou shalt know that I, the Lord, am in the midst of the land;) and I shall set parting betwixt my people and thy people; this sign shall be tomorrow (this miracle shall come tomorrow). (Ex. 8:21-23; Wycliffe Bible)*

*The Lord God of the Hebrews commands you to let his people go, so they can worship him. If you keep refusing, he will bring a terrible disease on your horses and donkeys, your camels and cattle, and your sheep and goats. **But the Lord will protect the animals that belong to the people of Israel**, and none of theirs will die. Tomorrow is the day the Lord has set to do this. It happened the next day—all of the animals belonging to the Egyptians died, **but the Israelites did not lose even one**. (Ex. 9:1-6; Contemporary English Version)*

*So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field. **Only in the land of***

Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail. (Ex. 9:24-26)

*And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt. And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days: They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: **but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.*** (Ex. 10:21-23)

*And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that is behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts. And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more. **But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.*** (Ex. 11:5-7)

*And **there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.** And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great: For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him.* (Gen. 26:1, 12-14)

But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the

land; But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow. (Luke 4:25-26)

And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go and do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son. For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that the LORD sendeth rain upon the earth. And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days. And the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Elijah. (1 Kings 17:13-16)

And God did not spare the ancient world—except for Noah and the seven others in his family. Noah warned the world of God’s righteous judgment. **So God protected Noah when he destroyed the world** of ungodly people with a vast flood. (2 Pet. 2:5; New Living Translation)

But God had listened to Abraham’s request and **kept Lot safe, removing him from the disaster** that engulfed the cities on the plain. (Gen. 19:29; New Living Translation)

Then the Lord replied, “**I promise to protect you, and when disaster comes, even your enemies will beg you for help.**” (Jer. 15:11; Contemporary English Version)

Should you worry about achieving personal greatness? No, do not chase after such a dream! But take comfort that **when I bring this disaster on all people, I will reward you by sparing your life.** I promise to protect you wherever you go. (Jer. 45:5; The VOICE)

Economic Protection

Note: Banks failing? Devaluation of local currency? Stock market crashes? Governments going broke? Financial difficulties all around? The child of God has been promised economic protection even in the midst of worldwide crises.

*Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. **And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.** (Mal. 3:10-11)*

*Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy; **To deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine.** Our soul waiteth for the Lord: he is our help and our shield. (Psalm 33:18-20)*

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. (Psalm 91:7-8)

Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed. Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever. Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous. A good man

*sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion. Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. **He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord.** His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire upon his enemies. He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour. The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish. (Psalm 112:1-10)*

Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble. The Lord will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. The Lord will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness. (Psalm 41:1-3)

*A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked. For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the Lord upholdeth the righteous. **The Lord knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever. They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.** But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the Lord shall be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away. The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth. (Psalm 37:16-21)*

He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil;

He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure. (Isa. 33:15-16)

*Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivereth from death. **The Lord will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish:** but he casteth away the substance of the wicked.*

He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich. (Prov. 10:2-4)

*He shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee. In famine he shall redeem thee from death: and in war from the power of the sword. Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh. **At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh:** neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth.* (Job 5:19-22)

There was famine in the land; so Abram went down to Egypt to sojourn there, since the famine in the land was severe Abram fared well on her account, and he acquired sheep, oxen, male and female servants, male and female donkeys, and camels Then Pharaoh gave his men orders concerning Abram, and they sent him away, with his wife and all that belonged to him. From Egypt Abram went up to the Negeb with his wife and all that belonged to him, and Lot went with him. Now Abram was very rich in livestock, silver, and gold. (Gen. 12:10, 16, 20; 13:1, 2; New American Bible (Revised Edition))

And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar. And the Lord appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into

Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of: Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I swear unto Abraham thy father. (Gen. 26:1-3)

Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the Lord blessed him. And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great: For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him. For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth. And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we. (Gen. 26:12-16)

The blessing of the Lord establishes wealth, and difficulty does not accompany it. (Prov. 10:22; International Standard Version)

Victory over this World's System

Note: The political, intellectual, and cultural framework that governs how people think, behave, and act on Earth is known as “the world.” They are antagonistic to God and His children and are influenced by Satan's false schemes (John 7:7; 15:18-19; 17:14; 1 John 3:13; James 4:4; Eph. 2:2; Rev. 12:9). Though we are in the world, we have been given victory over it.

*These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; **I have overcome the world.*** (John 16:33)

About judgment, because the ruler (evil genius, prince) of this world [Satan] is judged and condemned and sentence already is passed upon him. (John 16:11; Amplified Bible)

I will not talk with you much more, for the prince (evil genius, ruler) of the world is coming. And he has no claim on Me. [He has nothing in common with Me; there is nothing in Me that belongs to him, and he has no power over Me.] But [[a]Satan is coming and] I do as the Father has commanded Me, so that the world may know (be convinced) that I love the Father and that I do only what the Father has instructed Me to do. [I act in full agreement with His orders.] Rise, let us go away from here. (John 14:30-31; Amplified Bible)

Now is the time for Yahweh to judge the world. Now is the time when he will drive out Satan, the one who rules this world. As for me, when people raise me high on a cross, I will draw everyone to myself. (John 12:31-32; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. (1 John 4:4)

For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? (1 John 5:4-5)

We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not. And we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness. (1 John 5:18-19)

*For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, **against the rulers of the darkness of this world**, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. (Eph. 6:12-13)*

I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. (John 17:14-15)

*Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are **in the world**. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, **make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.** (1 Pet. 5:8-10)*

*Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, Who gave himself for our sins, that **he might deliver us from this present evil world**, according to the will of God and our Father. (Gal. 1:3-4)*

*But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, **by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.** (Gal. 6:14)*

*Wherefore **if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world**, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances? (Col. 2:20)*

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. (Col. 3:1-3)

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. (Rom. 12:2)

*But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, **lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.** For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. (2 Cor. 4:3-6)*

That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world. (Phil. 2:15)

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. (Matt. 5:14-16)

Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. (John 8:12; 9:5)

*After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. **Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.** (Matt. 6:9-10)*

And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Matt. 16:19)

Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. (Matt. 18:18-19)

Forgiveness and Mercy

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him. (Daniel 9:9)

*For thou, Lord, art good, and **ready to forgive**; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee. (Psalm 86:5)*

*.... but thou art a God **ready to pardon, gracious and merciful**, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest them not. (Neh. 9:17)*

*Let your broken heart show your sorrow; tearing your clothes is not enough.” Come back to the Lord your God. He is kind and full of mercy; he is patient and keeps his promise; **he is always ready to forgive and not punish**. (Joel 2:13; Good News Translation)*

In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins. (Col. 1:14)

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace. (Eph. 1:7)

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. (Hebrews 9:22)

To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins. (Acts 10:43)

Note: “Remission” means, “forgiveness or pardon, of sins (letting them go as if they had never been committed), remission of the penalty” (Thayer’s Greek Definitions).

Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth in mercy. (Micah 7:18)

The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy. The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works. (Psalm 145:8-9)

Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. (James 5:14-15)

But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house. And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion. (Mark 2:10-12)

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases. (Psalm 103:2-3)

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. (2 Chron. 7:14)

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

He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy. (Prov. 28:13)

God Wipes Away ALL Record of Our Sins When He Forgives

I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins. (Isa. 43:25)

I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee. (Isa. 44:22)

And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more. (Jer. 31:34)

In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I reserve. (Jer. 50:20)

He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea. (Micah 7:19)

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. (Romans 8:1)

And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him. For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight. (1 John 3:19-22)

If We Desire God's Forgiveness, We Must Forgive Others

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. (Matt. 6:12)

Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven. (Luke 6:37)

Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. (Col. 3:13)

And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses. (Mark 11:25-27)

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. (Eph. 4:32)

Direction and Guidance

*Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and **he shall direct thy paths.*** (Prov. 3:5-6)

*I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: **I will guide thee with mine eye.** Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.* (Psalm 32:8-9)

*And **the LORD shall guide thee continually,** and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.* (Isaiah 58:11)

Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way. The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way. All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies. (Psalm 25:8-10)

*Thus saith the Lord, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which **leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.*** (Isa. 48:17)

The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way. (Psalm 37:23)

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. (John 10:27)

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be

given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. (James 1:5-7)

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple. (Psalm 119:105, 130)

For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life. (Proverb 6:23)

*Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, **he will guide you into all truth**: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. (John 16:13)*

*For as many as are **led by the Spirit of God**, they are the sons of God The Spirit itself [Himself] beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God. (Romans 8:14, 16)*

The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly. (Proverbs 20:27)

But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. (1 Cor. 2:9, 10, 13)

Seeking a Spouse

And the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. (Gen. 2:18, 22-24)

Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour of the LORD. (Prov. 18:22)

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. (Prov. 31:10-11)

House and riches are the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife is from the Lord. (Prov. 19:14)

Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband. (1 Cor. 7:2)

For I would that all men were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper gift of God, one after this manner, and another after that. I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, it is good for them if they abide even as I. But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn. (1 Cor. 7:7-9)

But and if thou marry, thou hast not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned. Nevertheless such shall have trouble in the flesh: but I spare you. (1 Cor. 7:28)

But if any man think that he behaveth himself uncomely toward his virgin, if she pass the flower of her age, and need so require, let him do what he will, he sinneth not: let them marry. (1 Cor. 7:36)

I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully. (1 Tim. 5:14)

*Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; **Speaking lies in hypocrisy**; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; **Forbidding to marry**, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. (1 Tim. 4:1-3)*

The Lord God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thy seed will I give this land; he shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence. (Gen. 24:7)

And the children of Benjamin did so, and took them wives, according to their number, of them that danced, whom they caught: and they went and returned unto their inheritance, and repaired the cities, and dwelt in them. (Judges 21:23)

Happy and Divorce-Free Marriage

For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously. (Mal. 2:16)

*The Lord God of Israel says, “I hate divorce. And I hate the cruel things that men do. **So protect your spiritual unity.** Don't cheat on your wife” (Easy-to-Read Version)*

*“For I hate divorce!” says the LORD, the God of Israel. “It is as cruel as putting on a victim's bloodstained coat,” says the LORD Almighty. “**So guard yourself; always remain loyal to your wife.**” (The New Living Translation)*

*And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be **one flesh**? Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. **What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.** (Matt. 19:4-6)*

*Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet is **she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.** And did not he **make one**? Yet had he the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? That he might seek a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth. (Mal. 2:14-15)*

God made husbands and wives to become one body and one spirit for his purpose. (New Century Version)

Art thou bound unto a wife? **seek not to be loosed**. Art thou loosed from a wife? **seek not a wife**. (1 Cor. 7:27)

For the woman which hath an husband **is bound by the law to her husband** so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband. (Rom. 7:2)

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. (Eph. 5:25-28)

For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. Nevertheless let every one of you in particular **so love his wife even as himself**; and the wife see that she reverence her husband (Eph. 5:29-33)

Forbearing one another, and **forgiving one another**, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.... Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and **be not bitter against them** (Col. 3:13, 18, 19)

Family Blessings

And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. (Gen. 1:28)

*Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes. And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates: That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give them, **as the days of heaven upon the earth.** (Deut. 11:18-21)*

*See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: **therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live.** (Deut. 30:15, 19)*

*I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and **his seed is blessed.** (Psalm 37:25-26)*

*The just man walketh in his integrity: **his children are blessed after him.** (Prov. 20:7)*

Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first

commandment with promise;) **That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.** And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. (Eph. 6:1-4)

*That they may teach the young women to be sober, **to love their husbands, to love their children,** To be discreet, chaste, **keepers at home,** good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed. (Titus 2:4-5)*

*Praise the Lord! A person who fears and respects the Lord will be very happy. That person loves God's commands. His descendants will be great on earth. **The descendants of good people will be truly blessed. That person's family will be very rich.** And his goodness will continue forever. (Psalm 112:1-3; Easy-to-Read Version)*

As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate. (Psalm 127:4-5)

*The curse of the Lord is in the house of the wicked: but he **blesseth the habitation of the just.** (Prov. 3:33)*

For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring. (Isa. 44:3)

*Therefore now let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue for ever before thee: for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken it: and with thy blessing **let the house of thy servant be blessed for ever.** (2 Sam. 7:28-29)*

Household Salvation

*And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and **thou shalt be saved, and thy house.** (Acts 16:30-31)*

*Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and **all thy house shall be saved.** (Acts 11:14)*

*Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. **For the promise is unto you, and to your children,** and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. (Acts 2:38-39)*

*And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but **as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.** (Josh. 24:15)*

*But thus saith the LORD, Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and **I will save thy children.** (Isa. 49:25)*

For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring. (Isa. 44:3)

And all thy children shall be taught of the LORD; and great shall be the peace of thy children. (Isa. 54:13)

And the young men that were spies went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; and they brought out all her kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel And Joshua saved Rahab the harlot alive, and her father's household, and all that she had; and she dwelleth in Israel even unto this day; because she hid the messengers, which Joshua sent to spy out Jericho. (Josh. 6:23, 25)

And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die. But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee. (Gen. 6:17-18)

*And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city. And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; **the Lord being merciful unto him:** and they brought him forth, and set him without the city. (Gen. 19:15-16)*

*So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, **and his whole house.** (John 4:53)*

*And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, **believed on the Lord with all his house;** and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized. (Acts 18:8)*

Deliverance and Protection from Curses

Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. (Psalm 91:3)

*He will rescue you from every hidden trap of the enemy, and **he will protect you from false accusation and any deadly curse.** (The Passion Translation)*

*Christ **hath redeemed us from the curse of the law**, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. (Galatians 3:13-14)*

*I will ransom them from the power of the grave; **I will redeem them from death:** O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes. (Hosea 13:14)*

*And he took up his parable, and said, Balak the king of Moab hath brought me from Aram, out of the mountains of the east, saying, Come, curse me Jacob, and come, defy Israel. **How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed?** or how shall I defy, whom the LORD hath not defied? (Num. 23:7-8)*

God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good? Behold, I have received commandment to bless: and he hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it. He hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath he seen perverseness in Israel: the LORD his God is with him, and the shout of a king is among them. (Num. 23:19-21)

*I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you **life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life**, that both thou and thy seed may live. (Deut. 30:19)*

*Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might **destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil**; And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. (Heb. 2:14-15)*

*As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so **the curse causeless shall not come**. (Prov. 26:2))*

*And **there shall be no more curse**: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him. (Rev. 22:3)*

*Therefore if any man be in Christ, **he is a new creature: old things are passed away**; behold, all things are become new. (2 Cor. 5:17)*

***Ye are cursed with a curse**: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if **I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing**, that there shall not be room enough to receive it **And all nations shall call you blessed**: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts. (Mal. 3:9, 10, 12)*

Deliverance from Generational Curses

Note: A “Generational Curse” is the suffering that occurs from continuing in the same hostility and rejection of God as our forefathers (Exodus 33:18-19; 34:6-7). It is the evil twisting of God’s established *law of heredity*. God established the *law of heredity* in order to benefit the offspring of His obedient servants (Genesis 1:28; 12:1-3; 17:19-20; 1 Kings 8:25-26; 9:4-5). Regrettably, sin has corrupted these laws to cause curses on men's offspring and their sinful posterity (Romans 5:12). But in Christ, there is freedom and deliverance.

*Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: **That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.*** (Gal. 3:13-14)

***For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.** For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. And if ye be Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.* (Gal. 3:26-29)

*Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free **If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.*** (John 8:31, 32, 36)

*He sacrificed himself for us that he might purchase **our freedom from every lawless deed** and to purify for himself*

a people who are his very own, passionate to do what is beautiful in his eyes. (Titus 2:14; The Passion Translation)

*But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and **the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.** And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification. For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.) Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous. (Rom. 5:15-19)*

*Therefore if any man **be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away;** behold, all things are become new. (2 Cor. 5:21)*

*And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, **be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?** (Luke 13:16)*

*I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore **choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live.** (Deut. 30:19)*

*The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, **neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers:***

every man shall be put to death for his own sin. (Deut. 24:16)

*The soul that sinneth, it shall die. **The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father**, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die. (Eze. 18:20-21)*

*In those days they shall say no more, **The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge**. But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge. (Jer. 31:29-30)*

*This shall be written **for the generation to come**: and the people which shall be created shall praise the Lord. For he hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary; from heaven did the Lord behold the earth; To hear the groaning of the prisoner; **to loose those that are appointed to death**; To declare the name of the Lord in Zion, and his praise in Jerusalem (Psalm 102:18-20)*

Note how Jehoshaphat, Asa's son, avoided suffering the same demise as his father:

*For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: **therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars**. (2 Chron. 16:9)*

And the Lord was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the first ways of his father David, and sought not unto Baalim; But sought to the Lord God of his father, and walked in his commandments, and not after the doings of Israel. Therefore the Lord stablished the kingdom in his hand; and all Judah brought to Jehoshaphat presents; and he had riches and honour in abundance. And his heart was lifted up in the ways of the Lord: moreover he took away the high places and groves out of Judah And the fear of the Lord fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that were round about Judah, so that they made no war against Jehoshaphat. (2 Chron. 17:3-6, 10)

Hezekiah did not suffer for the sins of his father:

*Twenty years old was Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem, and **did not that which was right in the sight of the Lord his God**, like David his father. (2 Kings 16:2)*

*And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and **wrought that which was good and right and truth before the Lord his God**. And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, **to seek his God, he did it with all his heart, and prospered**. (2 Chron. 31:20-21)*

Generational Blessings

Note: When you have a godly heritage, you can claim the blessings of that ancestry. When you have lived a godly life, you open the way for your children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren to receive blessings. This also gives us the confidence to pray for God's protection over our wayward children.

*I have been young, and now am old; yet have **I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed.*** (Psalm 37:25-26)

*His seed shall be mighty upon earth: **the generation of the upright shall be blessed.** Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.* (Psalm 112:2-3)

*His descendants will be great on earth. **The descendants of good people will be truly blessed. That person's family will be very rich.** And his goodness will continue forever.* (Psalm 112:2-3; Easy-to-Read Version)

*The just man walketh in his integrity: **his children are blessed after him.*** (Prov. 20:7)

But I will be very kind to people who love me and obey my commands. I will be kind to their families for thousands of generations! (Ex. 20:5-6; Easy-to-Read Version)

Seek the Lord, and his strength: seek his face evermore. Remember his marvellous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth; O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his chosen. He is the Lord our God: his judgments are in all the earth.

He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word which he commanded to a thousand generations. Which covenant he made with Abraham, and his oath unto Isaac; And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant. (Psalm 105:4-10)

There were they in great fear: for God is in the generation of the righteous. (Psalm 14:5)

*O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, **that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!** (Deut. 5:29)*

*But because the Lord loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that the Lord thy God, he is God, the faithful God, **which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations.** (Deut. 7:8-9)*

*I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, **that both thou and thy seed may live.** (Deut. 30:19)*

*And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me for ever, **for the good of them, and of their children after them:** And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me. (Jer. 32:39-40)*

For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring. (Isa. 44:3)

*Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. **For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.** (Acts 2:38-39)*

And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches, and honour: so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days. And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days. (1 Kings 3:13-14)

*And now, O Lord GOD, thou art that God, and thy words be true, and thou hast promised this goodness unto thy servant: Therefore now let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue for ever before thee: for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken it: and with thy blessing **let the house of thy servant be blessed for ever.** (2 Sam. 7:28-29)*

*Concerning this house which thou art in building, if thou wilt walk in my statutes, and execute my judgments, and keep all my commandments to walk in them; **then will I perform my word with thee, which I spake unto David thy father.** (1 Kings 6:12)*

*Therefore now, Lord God of Israel, **keep with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him,** saying, There shall not fail thee a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel; so that thy children take heed to their way, that*

they walk before me as thou hast walked before me. And now, O God of Israel, let thy word, I pray thee, be verified, which thou spakest unto thy servant David my father. (1 Kings 8:25-26)

*And if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded thee, and wilt keep my statutes and my judgments: Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel for ever, **as I promised to David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Israel.** (1 Kings 9:4-5)*

*Wherefore the Lord said unto Solomon, Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant. Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it **for David thy father's sake**: but I will rend it out of the hand of thy son. Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom; **but will give one tribe to thy son for David my servant's sake**, and for Jerusalem's sake which I have chosen. (1 Kings 11:11-13)*

*And he said to Jeroboam, Take thee ten pieces: for thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel, Behold, I will rend the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon, and will give ten tribes to thee: (But he shall have one tribe **for my servant David's sake**, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel:.) (1 Kings 11:31-32)*

Howbeit I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand: but I will make him prince all the days of his life for David my servant's sake, whom I chose, because he kept my commandments and my statutes And unto his son

will I give one tribe, that David my servant may have a light alway before me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen me to put my name there. (1 Kings 11:34, 36)

*Nevertheless for David's sake did the Lord his God give him a lamp in Jerusalem, to set up his son after him, and to establish Jerusalem: **Because David did that which was right in the eyes of the Lord**, and turned not aside from any thing that he commanded him all the days of his life, save only in the matter of Uriah the Hittite. (1 Kings 15:4-5)*

Yet the Lord would not destroy Judah for David his servant's sake, as he promised him to give him alway a light, and to his children. (2 Kings 8:19)

For I will defend this city, to save it, for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake. (2 Kings 19:34)

*And I will add unto thy days fifteen years; and I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will defend this city for mine own sake, and **for my servant David's sake**. (2 Kings 20:6)*

*Jehoram was thirty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem. And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, like as did the house of Ahab: for he had the daughter of Ahab to wife: and he wrought that which was evil in the eyes of the Lord. **Howbeit the Lord would not destroy the house of David, because of the covenant that he had made with David, and as he promised to give a light to him and to his sons for ever**. (2 Chronicles 21:5-7)*

My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and my covenant shall stand fast with him. His seed also will I

*make to endure for ever, and his throne as the days of heaven. If his children forsake my law, and walk not in my judgments; If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments; Then will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with stripes. Nevertheless my lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness to fail. My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips. Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David. **His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.** (Psalm 89:28-36)*

*And the Lord was gracious unto them, and had compassion on them, and had respect unto them, **because of his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob**, and would not destroy them, neither cast he them from his presence as yet. (2 Kings 13:23)*

*And ought not this woman, **being a daughter of Abraham**, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day? (Luke 13:16)*

Deliverance from Soul-Ties

Note: God created man to have healthy, binding relationships with Himself, friends, family, spouses, etc. God's original intentions were perverted by sin and Satan, resulting in unhealthy, toxic, and destructive ones that require supernatural intervention to disintegrate (Gen. 34:2-3, 8; Prov. 5:20-22). This is referred to as a "soul-tie," yet Christ offers deliverance.

*Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness **the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls** But whoso looketh into the **perfect law of liberty**, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. (James 1:21, 25)*

*Therefore, having put aside all filthiness and abundance of evil, in gentleness, receive the implanted word! **the one being able to deliver your souls**. (James 1:21; Apostolic Bible Polyglot)*

*But when you look into **God's perfect law that sets people free**, pay attention to it. If you do what it says, you will have God's blessing. Never just listen to his teaching and forget what you heard. (James 1:25; Easy to Read Version)*

*Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; **And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free** If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed. (John 8:31, 32, 36)*

*And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God **your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless** unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it. (1 Thess. 5:23-24)*

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. (Heb. 4:12)

*Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul: Then the proud waters had gone over our soul. Blessed be the LORD, who hath not given us as a prey to their teeth. **Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped.** Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 124:4-8)*

*Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; **let them not have dominion over me:** then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. (Psalm 19:12-13)*

*Look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to do unto those that love thy name. Order my steps in thy word: and **let not any iniquity have dominion over me.** (Psalm 119:132-133)*

*God setteth the solitary in families: **he bringeth out those which are bound with chains:** but the rebellious dwell in a dry land. (Psalm 68:6)*

*I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. **Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.** (Psalm 91:2-3)*

*In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And that **they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.** (2 Tim. 2:25-26)*

*By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honour, and life. Thorns and snares are in the way of the froward: **he that doth keep his soul shall be far from them.** (Prov. 22:4-5)*

*Is not, this, the fast that I must ever choose—To **unbind the tight cords of lawlessness, To unloose the bands of the yoke,—and To let the crushed go free, and That every yoke, ye tear off?** (Isa. 58:6; Rotherham's Emphasized Bible)*

*Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot? God forbid. What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh. **But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit. Flee fornication.** Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's. (1 Cor. 6:15-20)*

*Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God: Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth for ever: Which executeth judgment for the oppressed: which giveth food to the hungry. **The Lord looseth the prisoners:** The Lord openeth the eyes of the blind: the Lord raiseth them that are bowed down: the Lord loveth the righteous. (Psalm 146:5-8)*

And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Matt. 16:19)

Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Matt. 18:18)

Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt. (Matt. 18:27)

And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day? (Luke 13:16)

Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go: Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul. (Prov. 22:24-25)

Deliverance from the Spirit of Rejection

Note: Many have been damaged psychologically, emotionally and spiritually due to having suffered rejection from those who should have accepted and loved them. However, there is deliverance and healing in Christ.

Do not reject me. Do not push your servant away in anger. You are my deliverer. Do not forsake or abandon me, O God who vindicates me. Even if my father and mother abandoned me, the Lord would take me in. (Psalm 27:9-10; New English Translation)

*Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? **yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.** (Isa. 49:15)*

*And Jabez was more honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow. And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! **And God granted him that which he requested.** (1 Chron. 4:9-10)*

For your husband is the one who made you—the Lord of Heaven’s Armies is his name. He is your Protector, the Holy One of Israel. He is called “God of the entire earth. “Indeed, the Lord will call you back like a wife who has been abandoned and suffers from depression, like a young wife when she has been rejected,” says your God. (Isa. 54:5-6; New English Translation)

O Lord God, do not reject your chosen ones! Remember the faithful promises you made to your servant David! (1 Chron. 6:42; New English Translation)

*All those will come to me who are the Father's gift to me, and **never will I reject one of them.** (John 6:37; James Moffatt Translation)*

*Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, To the praise of the glory of his grace, **wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.** In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace. (Eph. 1:5-7)*

*Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, **is accepted with him.** (Acts 10:34-35)*

The sacrifice God desires is a humble spirit— O God, a humble and repentant heart you will not reject. (Psalm 51:17; New English Translation)

***If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted?** and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. (Gen. 4:7)*

*For if you return to the Lord, your brothers and sons will be shown mercy by their captors and return to this land. The Lord your **God is merciful and compassionate; he will not reject you if you return to him.** (2 Chron. 30:9; New English Translation)*

Effective Evangelism

And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men. (Mark 1:17)

*Be kind to those who are not certain about what teachings they should believe, and help them. **Keep others from going into the fire of everlasting punishment.** Be kind to people who sin, but be afraid to join them in those sins. Instead, hate even their clothing, because it is made dirty by their sins. (Jude 22, 23; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)*

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise. (Prov. 11:30)

*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: **for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.** (Rom. 1:16)*

*For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, **which effectually worketh also in you that believe.** (1 Thess. 2:13)*

*And many of the Samaritans of that city believed on him for the saying of the woman, which testified, He told me all that ever I did. So when the Samaritans were come unto him, they besought him that he would tarry with them: and he abode there two days. **And many more believed because of his own word.** (John 4:39-41)*

*And it was known throughout all Joppa; and **many believed in the Lord.** (Acts 9:42)*

But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done. (Acts 8:12-13)

*Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and **preached unto him Jesus**. And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, **I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God**. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him. (Acts 8:35-38)*

*When the Gentiles heard this they were overjoyed and gave praise to the word of the Lord. **And those who were resolved to gain eternal life believed**. (Acts 13:48; Living Waters Translation)*

*And while the heathen were hearing, they were rejoicing and glorifying the message about the Lord and **as many as were believing were being set into eternal life**. (Acts 13:48; The Power New Testament)*

*And it came to pass in Iconium, that they went both together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spake, that **a great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed**. (Acts 14:1)*

And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the

Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe. (Acts 15:7)

*And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house. And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway. And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, **believing in God with all his house.*** (Acts 16:31-34)

*And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days **reasoned with them out of the scriptures**, Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ. And **some of them believed**, and consorted with Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.* (Acts 17:2-4)

*These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so. **Therefore many of them believed**; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few.* (Acts 17:11-12)

*And he departed thence, and entered into a certain man's house, named Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue. And **Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.*** (Acts 18:7-8)

*And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening. **And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.** (Acts 28:23-24)*

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. (Mark 16:15-16)

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen. (Matt. 28:18-20)

Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins. (James 5:19-20)

Effective Church Growth

Note: Pastors and parishioners must believe that God wants their churches to grow. Never settle for smallness.

*And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, **that my house may be filled.*** (Luke 14:23)

*Therefore said he unto them, **The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.*** (Luke 10:2)

*Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: **that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.** And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth.* (John 4:35-36)

*Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man? I have planted, Apollos watered; **but God gave the increase.** So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; **but God that giveth the increase.*** (1 Cor. 3:5-7)

*And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, Praising God, and **having favour with all the people.** And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.* (Acts 2:46-47)

*Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there **were added unto them about three thousand souls.** (Acts 2:41)*

Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand. (Acts 4:4)

*And believers were **the more added to the Lord,** multitudes both of men and women. (Acts 5:14)*

*And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, which, when they were come to Antioch, spake unto the Grecians, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them: and **a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord** For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and **much people was added unto the Lord.** (Acts 11:20, 21, 24)*

*Fear not: for I am with thee: **I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west;** I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth. (Isa. 43:5-6)*

*And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and **enlarge my coast,** and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested. (1 Chron. 4:10)*

Holy Spirit Baptism

And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. (Acts 1:4-5)

And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. (Luke 24:49)

But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. (Acts 1:8)

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. (Acts 2:38)

*If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father **give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?** (Luke 11:13)*

*This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that **we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.** (Galatians 3:2, 5, 14)*

Note: The Holy Spirit Baptism is accompanied by the ability to speak in “tongues”—a supernatural prayer language (1 Cor. 14:2, 4, 16-17; Jude 20; Rom. 8:26-27)

*And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; **they shall speak with new tongues.*** (Mark 16:17)

*And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and **began to speak with other tongues,** as the Spirit gave them utterance.* (Acts 2:3-4)

*While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. **For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God.*** (Acts 10:44-46)

And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. (Acts 19:6)

*He that speaketh in an unknown tongue **edifieth himself;** but he that prophesieth edifieth the church.* (1 Cor. 14:4)

For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful. What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also. (1 Cor. 14:14-15)

Miracles, Gifts, Signs and Wonders

*How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him; God also bearing them witness, both **with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will?** (Heb. 2:3, 4)*

***And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.** (Mark 16:17-18)*

*Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, **the works that I do shall he do also;** and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. (John 14:12)*

*Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, **ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree,** but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done. And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive. (Matt. 21:21-22)*

*And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour. Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out? And Jesus said unto them, **Because of your unbelief; for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.** (Matt. 17:18-20)*

Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. (Mark 9:23)

And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you. (Luke 17:6)

But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will. (1 Cor. 12:7-11)

*And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles? Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret? But **covet earnestly the best gifts**: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way. (1 Cor. 12:28-31)*

*Follow after charity, and **desire spiritual gifts**, but rather that ye may prophesy. (1 Cor. 14:1)*

*And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and **your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams**: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour*

out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy (Acts 2:17, 18)

*Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: **And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up**; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit. (James 5:14-18)*

*And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us. But Jesus said, **Forbid him not**: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is on our part. (Mark 9:38-40)*

By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus. (Acts 4:30)

And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. (Acts 6:8)

And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk? And his name through

faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all. (Acts 3:12, 16)

Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them. And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. And there was great joy in that city. (Acts 8:5-8)

Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ. (Rom. 15:19)

Note: God's gifts, miracles and supernatural power is for today. None of this has passed away as some claim:

For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed. (Mal. 3:6)

*Jesus Christ **the same** yesterday, and to day, and for ever. (Heb. 13:8)*

For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance. (Rom. 11:29)

For God's gifts and His call are irrevocable. [He never withdraws them when once they are given, and He does not change His mind about those to whom He gives His grace or to whom He sends His call.] (Amplified Bible)

Revival

*And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and **your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:** And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy (Acts 2:17, 18)*

*Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and **arise from the dead,** and Christ shall give thee light. (Eph. 5:14)*

*Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and **the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.** For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. (Isa. 60:1-3)*

*For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, **to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.** (Isa. 57:15)*

*So will not we go back from thee: **quicken us, and we will call upon thy name.** Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts, cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved. (Psalm 80:18-19)*

***Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?** Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us thy salvation. (Psalm 85:6-7)*

*Though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, **thou wilt revive me**: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me. The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me: thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands. (Psalm 138:6-8)*

***After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight.** Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth. (Hosea 6:3)*

*Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: **for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.** (Joel 2:23)*

***Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain;** so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field. (Zech. 10:1)*

*Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, **until he receive the early and latter rain.** Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. (James 5:7-8)*

Long Life

*Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah. For thou preventest him with the blessings of goodness: thou settest a crown of pure gold on his head. He asked life of thee, and thou gavest it him, **even length of days for ever and ever.*** (Psalm 21:2-4)

*Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. **With long life will I satisfy him,** and shew him my salvation.* (Psalm 91:14-16)

*The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God. **They shall still bring forth fruit in old age;** they shall be fat and flourishing.* (Psalm 92:12-14)

*Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;) That it may be well with thee, and **thou mayest live long on the earth.*** (Eph. 6:1-3)

What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good? Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it. (Psalm 34:12-14)

For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile. (1 Pet. 3:10)

*Thou shalt keep therefore his statutes, and his commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and **that thou mayest prolong thy days upon the earth**, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, for ever. (Deut. 4:40)*

*Ye shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God hath commanded you, that ye may live, and that it may be well with you, and that **ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall possess**. (Deut. 5:33)*

*That thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and **that thy days may be prolonged**. (Deut. 6:2)*

*My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments: **For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour**. (Prov. 3:1 ,2, 16)*

*Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and **the years of thy life shall be many**. (Prov. 4:10)*

*For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and **the years of thy life shall be increased**. (Prov. 9:11)*

***The fear of the LORD prolongeth days**: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened. (Prov. 10:27)*

*After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, even four generations. **So Job died, being old and full of days**. (Job 42:16-17)*

Strength to Overcome Life's Difficulties

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. (Phil. 4:13)

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. (Eph. 6:10-12)

I will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto thee. I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name. In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, and strengthenedst me with strength in my soul. (Psalm 138:1-3)

Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength. (Neh. 8:10)

A Psalm of David. The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? (Psalm 27:1)

I will love thee, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower. (Psalm 18:1-2)

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. (Isai. 40:31)

*Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, **O LORD, my strength,** and my redeemer. (Psalm 19:14)*

*To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah, A Song upon Alamoth. **God is our refuge and strength,** a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea. (Psalm 46:1-2)*

***The Lord is my strength and my shield;** my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him. The Lord is their strength, and he is the saving strength of his anointed. (Psalm 28:7-8)*

*Surely, shall one say, **in the LORD have I righteousness and strength:** even to him shall men come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed. (Isa. 45:24)*

*And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for **my strength is made perfect in weakness.** Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. (2 Cor. 12:9)*

*That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, **to be strengthened with might by his Spirit** in the inner man. (Eph. 3:16)*

The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace. (Psalms 29:11)

Help from God in All Situations

*Even by the God of thy father, **who shall help thee**; and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb. (Gen. 49:25)*

*And the name of the other was Eliezer; for the God of my father, said he, **was mine help, and delivered me** from the sword of Pharaoh. (Ex. 18:4)*

*Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the Lord, **the shield of thy help**, and who is the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places. (Deut. 33:29)*

*Israel, you are blessed. No other nation is like you. **The Lord saved you. He is like a strong shield protecting you. He is like a powerful sword. Your enemies will be afraid of you, and you will put your foot on their backs!**" (Deut. 33:29; Easy-to-Read Version)*

*And **they were helped against them**, and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand, and all that were with them: for they cried to God in the battle, and he was intreated of them; because they put their trust in him. (1 Chron. 5:20)*

*And it came to pass, **when God helped the Levites** that bare the ark of the covenant of the Lord, that they offered seven bullocks and seven rams. (1 Chron. 15:26)*

*And Asa cried unto the Lord his God, and said, **Lord, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O Lord our God; for***

*we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O Lord, thou art our God; let no man prevail against thee. **So the Lord smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled.** (2 Chron. 14:11-12)*

*And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, It is the king of Israel. Therefore they compassed about him to fight: **but Jehoshaphat cried out, and the Lord helped him;** and God moved them to depart from him. (2 Chron. 18:31)*

*And Judah gathered themselves together, **to ask help of the Lord:** even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek the Lord If, when evil cometh upon us, as the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in thy presence, (for thy name is in this house,) and cry unto thee in our affliction, **then thou wilt hear and help** And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God's. (2 Chron. 20:4, 9, 15)*

*And **God helped him against the Philistines,** and against the Arabians that dwelt in Gurbaal, and the Mehunims. And the Ammonites gave gifts to Uzziah: and his name spread abroad even to the entering in of Egypt; for he strengthened himself exceedingly. (2 Chron. 26:7-8)*

*With him is an arm of flesh; **but with us is the Lord our God to help us,** and to fight our battles. And the people rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah. (2 Chron. 32:8)*

*Thou hast seen it; for thou beholdest mischief and spite, to requite it with thy hand: the poor committeth himself unto thee; **thou art the helper of the fatherless.** (Psalm 10:14)*

*Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: **thou hast been my help;** leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation. (Psalm 27:9)*

*The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, **and I am helped:** therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him. (Psalm 28:7)*

*Our soul waiteth for the Lord: **he is our help** and our shield. (Psalm 33:20)*

*And **the Lord shall help them, and deliver them:** he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him. (Psalm 37:40)*

*Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The Lord be magnified. But I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: **thou art my help and my deliverer;** make no tarrying, O my God. (Psalm 40:16-17)*

*Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him **for the help of his.** (Psalm 42:5)*

***God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.** Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea God is in the midst of her; she shall*

not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early.
(Psalm 46:1, 2, 5)

*Behold, **God is mine helper**: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.* (Psalm 54:4)

*Because **thou hast been my help**, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.* (Psalm 63:7)

*But I am poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: **thou art my help and my deliverer**; O Lord, make no tarrying.* (Psalm 70:5)

O Israel, trust thou in the Lord: he is their help and their shield. (Psalm 115:9)

O house of Aaron, trust in the Lord: he is their help and their shield. (Psalm 115:10)

Ye that fear the Lord, trust in the Lord: he is their help and their shield. (Psalm 115:11)

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. (Psalm 121:1)

My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. (Psalm 121:2)

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 124:8)

Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God. (Psalm 146:5)

Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee;

yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee. Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the Lord, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel. (Isa. 41:10, 13, 14)

Thus saith the Lord that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen. (Isa. 44:2)

Thus saith the Lord, In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages. (Isa. 49:8)

***For the Lord God will help me;** therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. (Isa. 50:7)*

*Behold, **the Lord God will help me;** who is he that shall condemn me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up. (Isa. 50:9)*

*O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; **but in me is thine help.** (Hosea 13:9)*

***Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities:** for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. (Rom. 8:26)*

*Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, **and find grace to help in time of need.*** (Heb. 4:16)

*Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. **So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper,** and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.* (Heb. 13:5-6)

*And we say that those who accepted their troubles with patience now have God's blessing. You have heard about Job's patience. **You know that after all his troubles, the Lord helped him.** This shows that the Lord is full of mercy and is kind.* (James 5:11; Easy to Read Version)

Comfort and Healing for Emotional Damage

Note: Sin in this world has guaranteed that we will all experience times of emotional grief and pain such as the death of a loved one, a betrayal by someone we trust, a severing of a relationship, or some other heart-breaking experience. In such times God has promised His emotional healing and comfort to us.

*I have seen his ways, and will heal him: **I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners.** I create the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the Lord; and I will heal him. (Isa. 57:18-19)*

*The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; **he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,** to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, **to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness;** that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified. (Isa. 61:1-3)*

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; **he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted,** to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, **to set at liberty them that are bruised,** To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. (Luke 4:18-19)*

*I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and **will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick**: but I will destroy the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment. (Eze. 34:16)*

***He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.** (Psalm 147:3)*

*The Lord is nigh unto them that are **of a broken heart**; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit. (Psalm 34:18)*

*You let me see troubles and bad times. But you saved me from every one of them and kept me alive. **No matter how deep I sank, you lifted me out of my troubles.** Help me do greater things than before. **Continue to comfort me.** (Psalm 71:20-21; Easy-to-Read Version)*

*The Lord wants to show his mercy to you. The Lord is waiting. **The Lord wants to rise and comfort you.** The Lord God is fair, and every person that waits for the Lord's help will be blessed (happy). The Lord's people will live in Jerusalem on Mount Zion. You people will not continue crying. The Lord will hear your crying and he will comfort you. The Lord will hear you, and he will help you. (Isa. 30:18-19; Easy-to-Read Version)*

***Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows**: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. (Isa. 53:4)*

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. (Rev. 21:4)

Overcoming Fear, Worry and Anxiety

*Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; **And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.** (Heb. 2:14-15)*

*It is true that we share the same Father with Jesus. And it is true that we share the same kind of flesh and blood because Jesus became a man like us. He died as we must die. Through His death He destroyed the power of the devil who has the power of death. **Jesus did this to make us free from the fear of death. We no longer need to be chained to this fear.** (Heb. 2:14-15; New Life Version)*

***Do not be anxious about anything,** but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God which passes all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. (Phil. 4:6-7; Modern King James Version)*

*Therefore I say to you, **Do not be anxious for your life,** what you shall eat, or what you shall drink; nor for your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Behold the birds of the air; for they sow not, nor do they reap, nor gather into barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them; are you not much better than they are? (Matt. 6:25-26; Modern King James Version)*

Which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow. They do

*not toil, nor do they spin, but I say to you that even Solomon in his glory was not arrayed like one of these. **Therefore if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much rather clothe you, little-faiths?*** (Matt. 6:27-30; Modern King James Version)

***Therefore do not be anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, With what shall we be clothed?** For the nations seek after all these things. For your heavenly Father knows that you have need of all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you. **Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow;** for tomorrow shall be anxious for its own things. Sufficient to the day is the evil of it.* (Matt. 6:31-34; Modern King James Version)

*In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; **for thou shalt not fear:** and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.* (Isa. 54:14)

*To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah, A Song upon Alamoth. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. **Therefore will not we fear,** though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.* (Psalm 46:1-2)

*A Psalm of David. The LORD is my light and my salvation; **whom shall I fear?** the LORD is the strength of my life; **of whom shall I be afraid?*** (Psalm 27:1)

*And Moses said unto the people, **Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD,** which he will shew to you to day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day,*

ye shall see them again no more for ever. The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace. (Ex. 14:13-14)

*Ye shall not need to fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: **fear not, nor be dismayed**; to morrow go out against them: for the LORD will be with you. (2 Chron. 20:17)*

***Fear thou not**; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, **Fear not; I will help thee**. Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the Lord, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel. (Isa. 41:10, 13, 14)*

*Thus saith the Lord that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; **Fear not**, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen. (Isa. 44:2)*

***Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed**: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood any more. (Isa. 54:4)*

*In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; **for thou shalt not fear**: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee. (Isa. 54:14)*

*He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. **Thou shalt not be afraid** for the terror by night;*

nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. (Psalm 91:4-6)

*When thou liest down, **thou shalt not be afraid**: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet. **Be not afraid of sudden fear**, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken. (Prov. 3:24-26)*

*For **God hath not given us the spirit of fear**; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. (2 Tim. 1:7)*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, **I will fear no evil; for You are with me**; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of Jehovah forever. (Psalm 23:4-6)*

*I called upon the LORD in distress: the LORD answered me, and set me in a large place. **The LORD is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?** The LORD taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall I see my desire upon them that hate me. (Psalm 118:5-7)*

*Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, **neither let it be afraid**. (John 14:26)*

*Be strong and of a good courage, **fear not, nor be afraid of them**: for the Lord thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. (Deut. 31:6)*

*Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; **be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed**: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest. (Josh. 1:9)*

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. (1 Pet. 5:7)

Casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares for you affectionately and cares about you watchfully. (1 Pet. 5:7; Amplified Bible)

Because he takes care of you, let him take care of all the things that you are worried about. (1 Pet. 5:7; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

*I prayed to the Lord, and he answered me; **he freed me from all my fears**. (Psalm 34:4; Good News Translation)*

*But the one who always listens to me will live undisturbed in a heavenly peace. **Free from fear, confident and courageous, you will rest unafraid** and sheltered from the storms of life. (Prov. 1:33; The Passion Translation)*

*And the harvest of righteousness (of conformity to God's will in thought and deed) is [the fruit of the seed] sown in peace by those who work for and make peace [in themselves and in others, that peace which means concord, agreement, and harmony between individuals, with undisturbedness, in a peaceful mind **free from fears** and agitating passions and moral conflicts]. (James 3:18; Amplified Bible)*

Who were chosen and foreknown by God the Father and consecrated (sanctified, made holy) by the Spirit to be

*obedient to Jesus Christ (the Messiah) and to be sprinkled with [His] blood: May grace (spiritual blessing) and peace be given you in increasing abundance [that spiritual peace to be realized in **and through Christ, freedom from fears**, agitating passions, and moral conflicts]. (1 Pet. 1:2; Amplified Bible)*

*Salute one another with a kiss of love [the symbol of mutual affection]. To all of you that are in Christ Jesus (the Messiah), may there be peace (every kind of peace and blessing, especially peace with God, and **freedom from fears**, agitating passions, and moral conflicts). Amen (so be it). (1 Pet. 5:14; Amplified Bible)*

*So, beloved, since you are expecting these things, be eager to be found by Him [at His coming] without spot or blemish and at peace [in serene confidence, **free from fears** and agitating passions and moral conflicts]. (2 Pet. 3:14)*

Overcoming Discouragement

*And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: **but David encouraged himself in the LORD his God.** (1 Sam. 30:6)*

*Then he spoke a parable to them about how **they should always pray, and not become discouraged.** (Luke 18:1; Unlocked Literal Bible)*

*And the children of Benjamin came forth out of Gibeah, and destroyed down to the ground of the Israelites that day twenty and two thousand men. And the people **the men of Israel encouraged themselves,** and set their battle again in array in the place where they put themselves in array the first day. (Judges 20:21-22)*

*Look, Yahweh your God has set the land before you; go up, take possession, as Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has spoken to you; **do not be afraid, neither be discouraged.**' (Deut. 1:21; Unlocked Literal Bible)*

*Yahweh, he it is who goes before you; he will be with you; he will not fail you nor abandon you; **do not be afraid, do not be discouraged.** (Deut. 31:8; Unlocked Literal Bible)*

*Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! **Do not be afraid. Do not be discouraged.** Yahweh your God is with you wherever you go." (Josh. 1:9; Unlocked Literal Bible)*

Then you will succeed, if you carefully obey the statutes and the decrees that Yahweh gave to Moses concerning

*Israel. **Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be discouraged.*** (1 Chron. 22:13; Unlocked Literal Bible)

*Jahaziel said, “Listen, all Judah and you inhabitants of Jerusalem, and King Jehoshaphat. This is what Yahweh says to you, **’Do not fear; do not be discouraged because of this great army, for the battle does not belong to you, but to God.*** (2 Chron. 20:15; Unlocked Literal Bible)

*You will not need to fight in this battle. Stand in your positions, stand still, and see the rescue of Yahweh with you, Judah and Jerusalem. **Do not fear nor be discouraged.** Go out against them tomorrow, for Yahweh is with you.”* (2 Chron. 20:17; Unlocked Literal Bible)

*Do not fear for you will not be ashamed, **nor be discouraged for you will not be disgraced;** you will forget the shame of your youth and the disgrace of your abandonment.* (Isa. 54:4; Unlocked Literal Bible)

*Jesus went about all the cities and the villages. He continued teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of disease and all kinds of sickness. When he saw the crowds, **he had compassion for them, because they were troubled and discouraged.** They were like sheep without a shepherd.* (Matt. 9:35-36; Unlocked Literal Bible)

***Yahweh is always ready to help those who are discouraged;** he rescues those who have no hope for anything good.* (Psalm 34:18; Unlocked Dynamic Bible)

***But God, who comforts the discouraged,** comforted us by the arrival of Titus.* (2 Cor. 7:6)

Overcoming Depression

My life dissolves and weeps itself away for heaviness; raise me up and strengthen me according to [the promises of] Your word. (Psalm 112:28; Amplified Bible)

*Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: **for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.** (Psalm 42:11)*

*Why, I ask myself, are you so depressed? Why are you so upset inside? **Hope in God! Because I will again give him thanks, my saving presence and my God.** (Psalm 42:11; Common English Bible)*

*To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, **the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness**; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified. (Isa. 61:3)*

*As for those who grieve over Zion, God has sent me to give them a beautiful crown in exchange for ashes, To anoint them with gladness instead of sorrow, **to wrap them in victory, joy, and praise instead of depression and sadness.** People will call them magnificent, like great towering trees standing for what is right. They stand to the glory of the Eternal who planted them. (The VOICE Translation)*

*Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: **but a good word maketh it glad.** (Prov. 12:25)*

Anxiety in the heart of man causes depression, But a good word makes it glad. (Prov. 12:25; New King James Version)

*Anxiety leads to depression, **but a good word encourages.** (Prov. 12:25; Common English Bible)*

My soul is depressed; lift me up according to your word. (Psalm 119:28; New American Bible (Revised Edition))

***A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance:** but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken All the days of the afflicted are evil: but he that is of a merry heart hath a continual feast A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it! (Prov. 15:13, 15, 23)*

***A joyful heart makes a cheerful face,** but with a heartache comes depression. (Prov. 15:13; God's Word Translation)*

***A merry heart doeth good like a medicine:** but a broken spirit drieth the bones. (Prov. 17:22)*

***A joyful, cheerful heart brings healing to both body and soul.** But the one whose heart is crushed struggles with sickness and depression. (The Passion Translation)*

The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear? (Prov. 18:14)

The will to live sustains you when you're sick, but depression crushes courage and leaves you unable to cope. (The Passion Translation)

Overcoming Stress and Distress

Note: Most dictionaries define *stress* as “hardship, affliction, agony, strain, tension, etc.” The word “distress” is used several places in the King James Version. One English dictionary defines “distress” as “to subject to pressure, stress, or strain; embarrass or exhaust by strain.” Brown-Driver-Briggs’ Hebrew Definitions defines one of several Hebrew words as follows: “straitness, distress, straits, stress.” God promises deliverance from distressful situations.

Pour out all your worries and stress upon him and leave them there, for he always tenderly cares for you. (1 Pet. 5:7; The Passion Translation)

Banish emotional stress from your mind and put away pain from your body; for youth and the prime of life are fleeting. (Eccl. 11:10; New English Translation)

*Many times he came to help them, but they kept rebelling and were brought low by their own sin. Nevertheless, **he paid attention to their distress when he heard their cry for help.** He called to mind his covenant with them and relented because of his steadfast love. (Psalm 106:43-45; Unlocked Literal Bible)*

*Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them. Then they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and **he delivered them out of their distresses.** And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation. Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness. (Psalm 107:5-9)*

*Then they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and **he saved them out of their distresses**. He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder. Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! (Psalm 107:13-15)*

*Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and **he saveth them out of their distresses**. He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! (Psalm 107:19-21)*

*They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: their soul is melted because of trouble. They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wit's end. Then they cry unto the Lord in their trouble, and **he bringeth them out of their distresses**. He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still. Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven. Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! (Psalm 107:25-31)*

*Let them now that fear the Lord say, that his mercy endureth for ever. **I called upon the Lord in distress: the Lord answered me, and set me in a large place**. The Lord is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me? (Psalm 118:4-6)*

*And let us arise, and go up to Bethel; and I will make there an altar unto God, **who answered me in the day of my distress**, and was with me in the way which I went. (Gen. 35:3)*

*And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: **but David encouraged himself in the Lord his God.** (1 Sam. 30:6)*

***But, in his distress, he appeased the face of Yahweh his God,—and humbled himself greatly, before the God of his fathers; and, when he prayed unto him, then was he entreated of him, and hearkened unto his supplication, and brought him back to Jerusalem, unto his own kingdom, and so Manasseh came to know, that, Yahweh, is God.** (2 Chron. 33:12-13; Rotherham Emphasized Bible)*

*Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: **thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress;** have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer But know that the Lord hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the Lord will hear when I call unto him. (Psalm 4:1, 3)*

*But I will sing about your strength, and in the morning I will sing about your steadfast love! **For you have been my high tower and a refuge in the day of my distress.** To you, my strength, I will sing praises; for God is my high tower, the God of covenant faithfulness. (Psalm 59:16-17; Unlocked Literal Bible)*

*For thou hast been a strength to the poor, **a strength to the needy in his distress,** a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall. (Isa. 25:4)*

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or

nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. (Rom. 8:35-37)

***We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed;** we are perplexed, but not in despair; Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body. (2 Cor. 4:8-10)*

*And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, **in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.** (2 Cor. 12:9-10)*

Freedom from Addiction

*Since the Anointed suffered in the flesh, prepare yourselves to do the same—anyone who has suffered in the flesh for the Lord is **no longer in the grip of sin**—so **that you may live the rest of your life on earth controlled not by earthly desires** but by the will of God. You have already wasted enough time living like those outsiders in the society around you: losing yourselves in sex, **in addictions and desires**, in drinking and lawless idolatry, in giving your time and allegiance to things that are not godly. (1 Pet. 4:1-3; The VOICE)*

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach **deliverance to the captives**, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. (Luke 4:18-19)*

*Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever. **If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.** (John 8:34-36)*

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins. (Col. 1:13-14)

Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. (Gal. 5:1)

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. (Gal. 5:16)

And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. (Gal. 5:24-25)

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. (Rom. 6:12-13)

But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof. (Rom. 13:14)

*And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past **in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind;** and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved.) (Eph. 2:1-5)*

*Teaching us that, **denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world.*** (Titus 2:12)

*All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, **but I will not be brought under the power of any.** Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body. (1 Cor. 6:12-13)*

*For all that is in the world, **the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.** (1 John 2:16)*

*Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, **having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.** (2 Pet. 1:4)*

*For no temptation (no trial regarded as enticing to sin), [no matter how it comes or where it leads] has overtaken you and laid hold on you that is not common to man [that is, no temptation or trial has come to you **that is beyond human resistance** and that is not adjusted and adapted and belonging to human experience, and such as man can bear]. But God is faithful [to His Word and to His compassionate nature], and He [can be trusted] not to let you be tempted and tried and assayed beyond your ability and strength of resistance and power to endure, but with the temptation He will [always] also provide the way out (the means of escape to a landing place), that you may be capable and strong and powerful to bear up under it patiently. (1 Cor. 10:13; Amplified Bible)*

*Submit yourselves therefore to God. **Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.** (James 4:7)*

A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality,

*apt to teach; **Not given to wine**, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous (1 Tim. 3:2-3)*

*For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry, **not given to wine**, no striker, not given to filthy lucre; But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, **temperate**; Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers. (Titus 1:7-9)*

*The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, **not given to much wine**, teachers of good things. (Titus 2:3)*

*And **be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess**; but be filled with the Spirit. (Eph. 5:18)*

He shall separate himself from wine and strong drink, and shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any liquor of grapes, nor eat moist grapes, or dried. (Num. 6:3)

*And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot. Ye have not eaten bread, **neither have ye drunk wine or strong drink: that ye might know that I am the Lord your God. (Deut. 29:5-6)***

Freedom from Spiritual Oppression

*Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and **to let the oppressed go free**, and that ye break every yoke? (Isa. 58:6)*

*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he anointed me to tell good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, **to set free those who are oppressed**, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” (Luke 4:18; 19; Unlocked Literal Bible)*

*How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and **healing all that were oppressed of the devil**; for God was with him. (Acts 10:38)*

***The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed**, a refuge in times of trouble. And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek thee. (Psalm 9:9-10)*

***Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God**: Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth for ever: **Which executeth judgment for the oppressed**: which giveth food to the hungry. The Lord looseth the prisoners: The Lord openeth the eyes of the blind: the Lord raiseth them that are bowed down: the Lord loveth the righteous. (Psalm 146:5-8)*

And when we cried unto the Lord God of our fathers, the Lord heard our voice, and looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression: And the Lord brought us

forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders. (Deut. 26:7-8)

*And I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and **out of the hand of all that oppressed you**, and drave them out from before you, and gave you their land. (Judges 6:9)*

*And said unto the children of Israel, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, I brought up Israel out of Egypt, and **delivered you out of the hand** of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all kingdoms, and **of them that oppressed you**. (1 Sam. 10:18)*

And Jehoahaz besought the Lord, and the Lord hearkened unto him: for he saw the oppression of Israel, because the king of Syria oppressed them. (And the Lord gave Israel a saviour, so that they went out from under the hand of the Syrians: and the children of Israel dwelt in their tents, as beforetime. (2 Kings 13:4-5)

And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the Lord of hosts in the land of Egypt: for they shall cry unto the Lord because of the oppressors, and he shall send them a saviour, and a great one, and he shall deliver them. (Isa. 19:20)

*In righteousness shalt thou be established: **thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt not fear**: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee. (Isa. 54:14)*

Freedom from Being Spiritually Burdened

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. (Psalm 55:22)

***I removed his shoulder from the burden:** his hands were delivered from the pots. Thou calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee; I answered thee in the secret place of thunder: I proved thee at the waters of Meribah. Selah. (Psalm 81:6-7)*

For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me For in thee, O Lord, do I hope: thou wilt hear, O Lord my God For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin Forsake me not, O Lord: O my God, be not far from me. Make haste to help me, O Lord my salvation. (Psalm 38:4, 15, 18, 21, 22)

Since God cares for you, let Him carry all your burdens and worries. (1 Pet. 5:7; The VOICE)

*Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and **my burden is light.** (Matt. 11:28-30)*

*That I will break the Assyrian in my land, and upon my mountains tread him under foot: then shall his yoke depart from off them, and **his burden depart from off their shoulders.** (Isa. 14:25)*

In that day, saith the Lord of hosts, shall the nail that is fastened in the sure place be removed, and be cut down,

*and fall; and **the burden that was upon it shall be cut off**: for the Lord hath spoken it. (Isa. 22:25)*

*Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, **to undo the heavy burdens**, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? (Isa. 58:6)*

For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments, and His commandments are not burdensome. (1 John 5:3; Modern King James)

*God's Spirit is on me; he's chosen me to preach the Message of good news to the poor, Sent me to announce pardon to prisoners and recovery of sight to the blind, **To set the burdened and battered free**, to announce, "This is God's time to shine!" (Luke 4:18-19; The Message).*

*Compel me to grasp the way of Your statutes so I will fix my mind on Your wonderful works. My soul weeps, and **trouble weighs me down; give me strength so I can stand** according to Your word. Eliminate faithlessness You find in my step, be gracious, and give me Your guidance. (Psalm 119:27-29; The Voice)*

*And God will swallow up the oppression that weighs us down. **He will take away the heavy shroud that is draped over all peoples of the world.** (Isa. 25:7; The VOICE)*

Supernatural Peace in Difficult Times

*And **the God of peace** shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen. (Rom. 16:20)*

*For God is not the author of confusion, **but of peace**, as in all churches of the saints. (1 Cor. 14:33)*

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. **And the peace of God which passes all understanding** shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. (Phil. 4:6-7; Modern King James Version)*

*Peace I leave with you, **my peace I give unto you**: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. (John 14:26)*

*These things I have spoken unto you, **that in me ye might have peace**. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world. (John 16:33)*

***Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace**, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength. (Isa. 26:3-4)*

*And when Gideon perceived that he was an angel of the LORD, Gideon said, Alas, O Lord GOD! for because I have seen an angel of the LORD face to face. And the LORD said unto him, **Peace be unto thee; fear not**: thou shalt not die. Then Gideon built an altar there unto the LORD, **and called it Jehovahshalom**: unto this day it is yet in Ophrah of the Abiezrites. (Judges 6:22-24)*

*So Gideon built an altar there to worship the LORD and named it **The LORD Is Peace**. It still stands at Ophrah, where the Abiezrites live. (v. 24; New Century Version)*

*For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, **thoughts of peace**, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. (Jer. 29:11)*

*And **the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever**. And my people shall dwell in a **peaceable habitation**, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places. (Isa. 32:17-18)*

When he giveth quietness, who then can make trouble? and when he hideth his face, who then can behold him? whether it be done against a nation, or against a man only. (Job 34:29)

*When a man's ways please the Lord, **he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him**. (Prov. 16:7)*

*For thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and **rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength**: and ye would not. (Isa. 30:15)*

*Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go. O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! **then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea**. (Isa. 48:17-18)*

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. (Col. 3:15)

For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. (Rom. 8:6)

The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace. (Psalm 29:11)

But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace. (Psalm 37:11)

My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments: For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee. (Prov. 3:1-2)

*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, **The Prince of Peace**. Of the increase of his government and **peace there shall be no end**, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this. (Isa. 9:6-7)*

*But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: **the chastisement of our peace was upon him**; and with his stripes we are healed. (Isa. 53:5)*

*Glory to God in the highest, and **on earth peace**, good will toward men. (Luke 2:14)*

*How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him **that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace**; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!* (Isa. 52:7)

*For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, **neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed**, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.* (Isa. 54:10)

*I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners. I create the fruit of the lips; **Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near**, saith the Lord; and I will heal him.* (Isa. 57:18-19)

*And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and **great shall be the peace of thy children**.* (Isa. 54:13)

*Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them **the abundance of peace and truth**.* (Jer. 33:6)

Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace. (Psalm 37:37)

*Shew us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation. I will hear what God the Lord will speak: for **he will speak peace unto his people, and to his saints**: but let them not turn again to folly. Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land.* (Psalm 85:7-9)

Supernatural Rest

*Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and **I will give you rest**. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. (Matt. 11:28-30)*

***Rest in the Lord**, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass. (Psalm 37:7)*

*And he said, My presence shall go with thee, and **I will give thee rest**. (Ex. 33:14)*

*Let us therefore fear, lest, **a promise being left us of entering into his rest**, any of you should seem to come short of it. For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it. For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. (Heb. 4:1-3)*

***There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God**. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief. (Heb. 4:9-11)*

*Then **had the churches rest** throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied. (Acts 9:31)*

*And it shall come to pass in the day that **the Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage wherein thou wast made to serve.*** (Isaiah 14:3)

*For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. To whom he said, **This is the rest** wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.* (Isa. 28:11-12)

*Thou knowest how that David my father could not build an house unto the name of the Lord his God for the wars which were about him on every side, until the Lord put them under the soles of his feet. **But now the Lord my God hath given me rest on every side,** so that there is neither adversary nor evil occurrent.* (1 Kings 5:3-4)

*Blessed be the Lord, that **hath given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised:** there hath not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant.* (1 Kings 8:56)

*Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about them walls, and towers, gates, and bars, while the land is yet before us; because we have sought the Lord our God, we have sought him, and **he hath given us rest on every side. So they built and prospered.*** (2 Chron. 14:7)

*And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, **that they may rest from their labours;** and their works do follow them.* (Rev. 14:13)

Supernatural Restful Sleep

*When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, **thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.** Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken. (Prov. 3:24-26)*

*Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and **my sleep was sweet** unto me. (Jer. 31:26)*

*It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: for so **he giveth his beloved sleep.** (Psalm 127:2)*

*There be many that say, Who will shew us any good? Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us. Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased. **I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.** (Psalm 4:6-8)*

***I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the Lord sustained me. I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about.** (Psalm 3:5-6)*

***The sleep of a labouring man is sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep.** (Eccl. 5:12)*

*And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, **and sleep in the woods.** And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come*

*down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.
(Eze. 34:25-26)*

*And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the
beasts of the field and with the fowls of heaven, and with
the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the
bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth, **and**
will make them to lie down safely. (Hos. 2:18)*

*And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon
Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and
closed up the flesh instead thereof. (Gen. 2:21)*

*And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same
night **Peter was sleeping** between two soldiers, bound
with two chains: and the keepers before the door kept the
prison. (Acts 12:6)*

*And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples
followed him. And, behold, there arose a great tempest in
the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the
waves: **but he was asleep.** And his disciples came to him,
and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish. And he
saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?
Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and
there was a great calm. (Matt. 8:23-26)*

Supernatural Joy

*Thou wilt shew me the path of life: **in thy presence is fulness of joy**; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore. (Psalm 16:11)*

*Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for **the joy of the LORD is your strength**. (Neh. 8:10)*

*And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and **everlasting joy** upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. (Isa. 35:10)*

***For ye shall go out with joy**, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. (Isa. 55:12)*

*O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles. Then will I go unto the altar of God, **unto God my exceeding joy**: yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God my God. Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God. (Psalm 43:3-5)*

*Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. **Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation**; and uphold me with thy free spirit. (Psalm 51:11-12)*

They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him. (Psalm 126:5-6)

*And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, **I bring you good tidings of great joy**, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. (Luke 2:10-11)*

*Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, **that your joy may be full**. (John 16:24)*

*And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might **have my joy fulfilled in themselves**. (John 17:13)*

*And the disciples were **filled with joy**, and with the Holy Ghost. (Acts 13:52)*

*For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and **joy in the Holy Ghost**. (Rom. 14:17)*

*Now **the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing**, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost. (Rom. 15:13)*

*And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, **with joy of the Holy Ghost**. (1 Thess. 1:6)*

*And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; **but be filled with the Spirit**; Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Giving thanks always*

for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Eph. 5:18-20)

*And these things write we unto you, **that your joy may be full.** (1 John 1:4)*

*Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath **anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.** (Psalm 45:7)*

*Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath **anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.** (Heb. 1:9)*

*Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and **girded me with gladness.** (Psalm 30:11)*

*For thou, Lord, **hast made me glad through thy work:** I will triumph in the works of thy hands. O Lord, how great are thy works! and thy thoughts are very deep. (Psalm 92:4-5)*

*There be many that say, Who will shew us any good? Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us. **Thou hast put gladness in my heart,** more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased. (Psalm 4:6-7)*

*His glory is great in thy salvation: honour and majesty hast thou laid upon him. For thou hast made him most blessed for ever: **thou hast made him exceeding glad with thy countenance.** (Psalm 21:5-6)*

And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads:

they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. (Isa. 35:10)

*But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold, **I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.*** (Isa. 65:18)

*Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: for **I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow.*** (Jer. 31:13)

*And kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with joy: **for the Lord had made them joyful,** and turned the heart of the king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands in the work of the house of God, the God of Israel.* (Ezra 6:22)

Supernatural Boldness and Confidence

*Herein is our love made perfect, **that we may have boldness in the day of judgment**: because as he is, so are we in this world. (1 John 4:17)*

*Now **when they saw the boldness of Peter and John**, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus. (Acts 4:13)*

*But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know, at Philippi, **we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much contention**. (1 Thess. 2:2)*

*And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and **grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word**. (Acts 4:29)*

*And many of the brethren in the Lord, **waxing confident by my bonds, are much more bold** to speak the word without fear. (Phil. 1:14)*

*According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: **In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him**. (Eph. 3:11-12)*

*Having therefore, brethren, **boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus**, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh. (Heb. 10:19-20)*

*And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, **that I may open my mouth boldly**, to make known the mystery of the gospel, For which I am an ambassador in bonds:*

that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak. (Eph. 6:19-20)

*For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, **then have we confidence toward God.** (1 John 3:20-21)*

*Let us therefore **come boldly unto the throne of grace,** that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. (Heb. 4:16)*

*Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. **So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper,** and I will not fear what man shall do unto me. (Heb. 13:5-6)*

*Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, **in this will I be confident.** (Psalm 27:3)*

*The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but **the righteous are bold as a lion.** (Prov. 28:1)*

*For **the Lord shall be thy confidence,** and shall keep thy foot from being taken. (Prov. 3:26)*

*In **the fear of the Lord is strong confidence:** and his children shall have a place of refuge. (Prov. 14:26)*

*For thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; **in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength:** and ye would not. (Isa. 30:15)*

Supernatural Favor with God and Men

*But the Lord had mercy on them and felt pity for them. **He extended his favor to them because of the promise he had made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.** He has been unwilling to destroy them or remove them from his presence to this very day. (2 Kings 13:23; New English Translation)*

*Therefore, [inheriting] the promise is the outcome of faith and depends [entirely] on faith, in order **that it might be given as an act of grace (unmerited favor),** to make it stable and valid and guaranteed to all his descendants—not only to the devotees and adherents of the Law, but also to those who share the faith of Abraham, who is [thus] the father of us all. (Rom. 4:16; The Amplified Bible)*

***I entreated Your favor** with my whole heart; be merciful and gracious to me **according to Your promise.** (Psalm 119:58; Amplified Bible)*

*And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, **and in favour with God and man.** (Luke 2:52)*

*Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart: **So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.** (Prov. 3:3-4)*

*Praising God, and **having favour with all the people.** And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved. (Acts 2:47)*

*And the child Samuel grew on, and **was in favour both with the Lord, and also with men.** (1 Sam. 2:26)*

*Now **God had brought Daniel into favour** and tender love with the prince of the eunuchs. (Dan. 1:9)*

*But the Lord was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and **gave him favour** in the sight of the keeper of the prison. (Gen. 39:21)*

*And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him, And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and **gave him favour and wisdom** in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house. (Acts 7:9-10)*

*And **the LORD gave the people favour** in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians. (Ex. 12:36)*

*Therefore, since we do hold and engage in this ministry by the mercy of God [**granting us favor, benefits, opportunities, and especially salvation**], we do not get discouraged (spiritless and despondent with fear) or become faint with weariness and exhaustion. (1 Cor. 4:1; Amplified Bible)*

*For the Lord God is a Sun and Shield; **the Lord bestows [present] grace and favor** and [future] glory (honor, splendor, and heavenly bliss)! No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly. O Lord of hosts, blessed (happy, fortunate, to be envied) is the man who trusts in You [leaning and believing on You, committing all and confidently looking to You, and that without fear or misgiving]! (Psalm 84:11-12; Amplified Bible)*

But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let

*them also that love thy name be joyful in thee. **For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.*** (Psalm 5:11-12)

*For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved. **LORD, by thy favour thou hast made my mountain to stand strong:** thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled.* (Psalm 30:5-7)

*Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not. Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. For whoso findeth me findeth life, and **shall obtain favour of the Lord.*** (Prov. 8:33-35)

***A good man obtaineth favour of the Lord:** but a man of wicked devices will he condemn.* (Prov. 12:2)

*[So that we might be] to the praise and the commendation of His glorious grace (favor and mercy), which He so freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In Him we have redemption (deliverance and salvation) through His blood, the remission (forgiveness) of our offenses (shortcomings and trespasses), **in accordance with the riches and the generosity of His gracious favor.*** (Eph. 1:6-7)

*He did this that He might clearly demonstrate through the ages to come the immeasurable (limitless, surpassing) riches of His free grace (His unmerited favor) in [His] kindness and goodness of heart toward us in Christ Jesus. **For it is by free grace (God's unmerited favor) that you are saved** ([b]delivered from judgment and made partakers of Christ's salvation) through [your] faith. And*

this [salvation] is not of yourselves [of your own doing, it came not through your own striving], but it is the gift of God. (Eph. 2:7-8)

The grace (spiritual favor and blessing) of the Lord Jesus Christ (the Anointed One) be with your spirit. Amen (so be it). (Phil. 4:23; Amplified Bible)

*And he said,—I, will cause all my goodness to pass before thee. And will proclaim myself by the name Yahweh, before thee, **And will show favour, unto whom I may show favour, And will have compassion on whom I may have compassion.** (Ex. 33:19; Rotherham Emphasized Bible)*

*So Yahweh passed before him, and proclaimed,—Yahweh, Yahweh, **A God of compassion and favour,**—Slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness and faithfulness. (Ex. 34:6; Rotherham Emphasized Bible)*

*The Lord bless you and watch, guard, and keep you; The Lord make His face to shine upon and enlighten you and be gracious (**kind, merciful, and giving favor**) to you; The Lord lift up His [approving] countenance upon you and give you peace (tranquility of heart and life continually). (Num. 6:24-26; Amplified Bible)*

*For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, **because thou hadst a favour unto them.** (Psalm 44:3)*

To proclaim the accepted and acceptable year of the Lord [the day when salvation and the free favors of God profusely abound]. (Luke 4:19; Amplified Bible)

Supernatural Restoration and Reconciliation

Note: God can restore things as they once were; sometimes even better than they were. Anything that we have lost, regardless of how this loss came about (be it our own sin, satanic attack, the carelessness or vindictiveness of others, etc.) can be restored to you if you will trust God and His promises of restoration. This includes the healing and restoration of health, reputation, finances, etc. as well as reconciliation of damaged relationships.

*O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; **but in me is thine help.*** (Hosea 13:9)

*They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of mine head: they that would destroy me, being mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: **then I restored that which I took not away.*** (Psalm 69:4)

*And **I will restore to you the years** that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.* (Joel 2:25)

*"Now she will proceed giving birth to (or: will be bringing forth) a Son, and you will proceed calling His name Jesus [= Yeshua, or Joshua; in Hebrew: the Savior is Yahweh], **for he will progressively restore His people to health and wholeness (will salvage, rescue, save and deliver His people and return them to their original state and condition), away from their failures to hit the target (from their mistakes, errors and sins).**"* (Matt. 1:21; Jonathan Mitchell New Testament)

*And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before **So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning:** for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses. He had also seven sons and three daughters. (Job 42:10, 12, 13)*

Instead of your [former] shame you shall have a twofold recompense; instead of dishonor and reproach [your people] shall rejoice in their portion. Therefore in their land they shall possess double [what they had forfeited]; everlasting joy shall be theirs. (Isa. 61:7; Amplified Bible)

*And the king answered and said unto the man of God, Intreat now the face of the Lord thy God, and pray for me, **that my hand may be restored me again.** And the man of God besought the Lord, and the king's hand was restored him again, **and became as it was before.** (1 Kings 13:6)*

*And he entered again into the synagogue; and there was a man there which had a withered hand And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it out: and **his hand was restored whole as the other.** (Mark 3:1, 5)*

*And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and besought him to touch him. And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when he had spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought. And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking. After that he put his hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and **he was restored, and saw every man clearly.** (Mark 8:22-25)*

*He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. **He restoreth my soul:** he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. (Psalm 23:2-3)*

*Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. **Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation;** and uphold me with thy free spirit. Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee. (Psalm 51:11-13)*

*I have seen his ways, and will heal him: **I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him** and to his mourners. I create the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the Lord; and I will heal him. (Isa. 57:18-19)*

*You let me see troubles and bad times. But you saved me from every one of them and kept me alive. **No matter how deep I sank, you lifted me out of my troubles. Help me do greater things than before.** Continue to comfort me. (Psalm 71:20-21; Easy-to-Read Version)*

*They shall be carried to Babylon, and there shall they be until the day that I visit them, saith the Lord; then will I bring them up, and **restore them to this place.** (Jer. 27:22)*

*For **I will restore health unto thee,** and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after. (Jer. 30:17)*

In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise

up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old.
(Amos 9:11)

The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts. (Haggai 2:9)

*And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, **The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.*** (Isa. 58:12)

*Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, **who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation.*** (2 Cor. 5:17-18)

*For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, **being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.*** (Rom. 5:10)

*And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband: But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried or **be reconciled to her husband:** and let not the husband put away his wife. (1 Cor. 7:10-11)*

Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. (Matt. 5:23-24)

Supernatural Debt Cancellation

*The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and **thou shalt not borrow.** (Deut. 28:12)*

*For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, **but thou shalt not borrow;** and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee. (Deut. 15:6)*

Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the Lord: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen. And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil. Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, even empty vessels; borrow not a few And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, There is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed. Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest. (2 Kings 4:1-3, 6, 7)

*“We promise not to work on the Sabbath day. If the people living around us bring grain or other things to sell on the Sabbath, we will not buy them on that special day or on any other festival. Every seventh year, we will not plant or work the land. And every seventh year, **we will cancel every debt that other people owe to us.** (Neh. 10:31; Easy-to-Read Version)*

“At the end of every seven years, you must cancel debts. This is the way you must do this: Everyone who has lent money to another Israelite must cancel the debt. He should not ask a fellow Israelite to repay the debt, because the Lord said to cancel debts during that year. (Deut. 15:1-2; Easy-to-Read Version)

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. (Matt. 6:12)

Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt. (Matt. 18:27)

Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. (Rom. 13:8)

Supernatural Breakthrough

*For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but **it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.** (Isa. 55:10-11)*

*Then shall thy light **break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily:** and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy reward. Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, *Here I am.* If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity. (Isa. 58:8-9)*

*Arise, shine, **for your light has broken through!** The Eternal One's brilliance has dawned upon you. (Isa. 60:1; The VOICE)*

*Delight thyself also in the Lord: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and **he shall bring it to pass. And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light,** and thy judgment as the noonday. (Psalm 37:4-6)*

Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I

remained there with the kings of Persia. Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days: for yet the vision is for many days. (Dan. 10:12-14)

*And David came to Baal-perazim, and he smote them there, and said, **The Lord has broken through my enemies before me, like the bursting out of great waters.** So he called the name of that place Baal-perazim [**Lord of breaking through**]. (2 Sam. 5:20; Amplified Bible)*

*So David went to Ba'al-P'ratzrim and defeated them there. He said, "**Adonai has broken through my enemies for me like a river breaking through its banks.**" This is why he called the place Ba'al-P'ratzrim [**Lord of breaking through**]. (2 Sam. 5:20; Complete Jewish Bible)*

*David attacked the Philistines and defeated them. Then he said, "**I watched the Lord break through my enemies like a mighty flood.**" So he named the place "**The Lord Broke Through.**" (2 Sam. 5:20; Contemporary English Version)*

***The one breaking through has come up before them; they have broken up, and have passed through the gate, and have gone out of it. And their king shall pass before them, and the LORD at the head of them.** (Micah 2:13; A Faithful Version)*

***The one who breaks through has come up before them: they have broken through, and have passed through the gate, and have gone out by it: and their king shall pass before them, and the LORD at the head of them.** (Micah 2:13; The Lighthouse Bible)*

The one who can break through barriers will lead them out; they will break out, pass through the gate, and leave. Their king will advance before them; the Lord himself will lead them.” (Micah 2:13; New English Translation)

One breaking through will go up before them. They will break through, pass through the gate and go out by it. Their King will pass through before them —Adonai at their head!” (Tree of Life Version)

The one who breaks through comes up before them; they break through, and pass through the sha'ar, and go out by it; and their Melech [Moshiach, Hoshea 3:5] goes before them, and Hashem at their head. (Micah 2:13; Orthodox Jewish Bible)

The one breaking through went up before them; they broke through, passed the gate and went out. Their king passed on before them; Adonai was leading them. (Micah 2:13; Complete Jewish Bible)

The “One Who Breaks Through Walls” will push through and walk to the front of his people. They will break through the gates and leave that city. They will leave with their king marching before them— with the Lord at the front of his people. (Micah 2:13; Easy-to-Read Version)

Because of this, take up all of the whole armor of YAHWEH that you may be able to resist the evil one, and being prepared you shall prevail. (Eph. 6:13; Hebrew Roots Bible)

I tell you, although he will not get up and supply him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his shameless persistence and insistence he will get up and give him as much as he needs. So I say to you, Ask and

keep on asking and it shall be given you; seek and keep on seeking and you shall find; knock and keep on knocking and the door shall be opened to you. For everyone who asks and keeps on asking receives; and he who seeks and keeps on seeking finds; and to him who knocks and keeps on knocking, the door shall be opened. (Luke 11:8-10; Amplified Bible)

Also [Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not to [a]turn coward (faint, lose heart, and give up) And will not [our just] God defend and protect and avenge His elect (His chosen ones), who cry to Him day and night? Will He [f]defer them and [g]delay help on their behalf? I tell you, He will defend and protect and avenge them speedily. However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find [persistence in] faith on the earth? (Luke 18:1, 7, 8; Amplified Bible)

And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the LORD hath given you the city So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city. (Josh. 6:16, 20)

By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days. (Heb. 11:30)

I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord. (Psalm 27:13-14)

*That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises. For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he sware by himself, Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee. And so, **after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise.** (Heb. 6:12-15)*

Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. (Heb. 10:35-36)

Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and the sinner. (Prov. 11:31)

*And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice; it is because the thing is established by God, and **God will shortly bring it to pass.** (Gen. 41:32)*

*Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: **yea, I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass;** I have purposed it, I will also do it. (Isa. 46:11)*

*For I am the Lord: I will speak, and **the word that I shall speak shall come to pass; it shall be no more prolonged:** for in your days, O rebellious house, will I say the word, and will perform it, saith the Lord God. (Eze. 12:25)*

***I the Lord have spoken it: it shall come to pass, and I will do it;** I will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I repent; according to thy ways, and according to thy doings, shall they judge thee, saith the Lord God. (Eze. 24:14)*

Then Yahweh answered me, and said, Write the vision, Yea, make it plain on tablets, that one may swiftly read it; For yet is the vision for an appointed time, still, it presseth towards an end, and will not deceive,—if it tarry, wait thou for it, for it, surely cometh,—will not be too late. (Hab. 2:2-3)

Note: “Bring to pass” or “come to pass” means bring into being. Some translations render this as an act of creation. However, the Hebrew word is also translated in other places as *besieged* (2 Kings 24:10; 25:2; Jer. 52:5) and *invade* (2 Kings 13:20; 2 Chron. 20:10). “Besieged” means “to surround (a fortified area, esp a city) with military forces to bring about its surrender.” “Invade” means “to enter forcefully as an enemy.” God will forcefully break through the obstacles in your situation and remove from your life every demonic hindrance that has been fortified against you.

Positive Visitations from God

Note: For God to *visit* a person or group of people means “inspection (for relief); by implication superintendence” (Strong’s Concordance). Chaim Bentorah further explains, “The underlying meaning of this word is an action on the part of God that produces a beneficial result to His people.”² The word has often been wrongly associated with the word “punishment.” However, the alleged “punishment” is only the result of rejecting God’s desire to visit with blessing:

For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars. (2 Chron. 16:9)

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people, And hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began: That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; To perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant. (Luke 1:68-72)

And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on

² Bentorah, Chaim **Hebrew Word Study: Revealing the Heart of God** (New Kensington, PA: Whitaker House, 2016), p. 363

*every side, And shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; **because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.*** (Luke 19:41-44)

What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? (Psalm 8:4; see also Heb. 2:6)

“But why are people even important to you? Why do you take care of human beings?” (New Century Version)

What is man, that thou shouldest magnify him? and that thou shouldest set thine heart upon him? And that thou shouldest visit him every morning, and try him every moment? (Job 7:17-18)

They shall be carried to Babylon, and there shall they be until the day that I visit them, saith the Lord; then will I bring them up, and restore them to this place. (Jer. 27:22)

*For thus saith the Lord, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon **I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you,** in causing you to return to this place. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.* (Jer. 29:10-11)

*Thou hast granted me **life and favour,** and **thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.*** (Job 10:12)

*Remember me, O Lord, **with the favour** that thou bearest unto thy people: **O visit me with thy salvation.*** (Psalm 106:4)

***Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it:** thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water:*

thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it. Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof: thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof. (Psalm 65:9-10)

*And the coast shall be for the remnant of the house of Judah; they shall feed thereupon: in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening: for the Lord **their God shall visit them, and turn away their captivity.** (Zeph. 2:7)*

And the Lord visited Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did unto Sarah as he had spoken. For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him. (Genesis 21:1-2)

*Then she arose with her daughters in law, that she might return from the country of Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab how that **the Lord had visited his people in giving them bread.** (Ruth 1:6)*

*And **Eli blessed Elkanah and his wife**, and said, **The LORD give thee seed of this woman for the loan which is lent to the LORD.** And they went unto their own home. And **the Lord visited Hannah, so that she conceived**, and bare three sons and two daughters. And the child Samuel grew before the Lord. (1 Sam. 2:20-21)*

*And it came to pass the day after, that he went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people. Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her. And **when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep***

*not. And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare him stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, That **God hath visited his people.** (Luke 7:1-16)*

*And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and **God will surely visit you,** and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. (Gen. 50:24)*

*Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared unto me, saying, **I have surely visited you,** and seen that which is done to you in Egypt: And I have said, **I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt** unto the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, unto a land flowing with milk and honey. (Ex. 3:16-17)*

*And Aaron spake all the words which the Lord had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people. And the people believed: and **when they heard that the Lord had visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction,** then they bowed their heads and worshipped. (Ex. 4:30-31)*

Various Material and Spiritual Blessings

*Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, **that ye should inherit a blessing.*** (1 Pet. 3:9)

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him. (James 1:12)

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, **who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings** in heavenly places in Christ.* (Eph. 1:3)

*Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and **pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.** And all nations shall call you **blessed:** for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts.* (Mal. 3:11-2)

*And **all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee,** if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God. Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store. Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out. The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways. The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD*

*thy God giveth thee. The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways. And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee. And **the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body**, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD swore unto thy fathers to give thee. The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow. (Deut. 28:2-12)*

*And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, **Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed**, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! **And God granted him that which he requested.** (1 Chron. 4:10)*

*And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and **in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.** (Gen. 12:2-3)*

*And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed. **So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.** (Gal. 3:8-9)*

*Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, *Cursed is every one**

*that hangeth on a tree: **That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.** (Gal. 3:13-14)*

*Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works, Saying, **Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.** Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin. Cometh this blessedness then upon the circumcision only, or upon the uncircumcision also? for we say that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness. (Rom. 4:6-9)*

*Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, **And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.** Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, **sent him to bless you,** in turning away every one of you from his iniquities. (Acts 3:25-26)*

***Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.** (Psalm 1:1-3)*

*Salvation belongeth unto the Lord: **thy blessing is upon thy people.** Selah. (Psalm 3:8)*

*For thou, Lord, **wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.** (Psalm 5:12)*

*He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. **He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.** (Ps. 24:4-5)*

*The Lord will give strength unto his people; the Lord will **bless his people with peace.** (Psalm 29:11)*

*The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. O taste and see that the Lord is good: **blessed is the man that trusteth in him.** O fear the Lord, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him. (Psalm 34:7-9)*

***Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble.** The Lord will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. (Psalm 41:1-2)*

***Blessings are upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked. The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.** (Prov. 10:6-7)*

The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it. (Prov. 10:22)

***A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent.** (Prov. 28:20)*

*But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, **this man shall be blessed in his deed.** (James 1:25)*

Fruitfulness for Ministry and Life

*That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, **being fruitful in every good work**, and increasing in the knowledge of God. (Col. 1:10)*

*But **the fruit of the Spirit** is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. (Gal. 5:22-23)*

*Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, **that bringeth forth his fruit in his season**; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. (Psalm 1:1-3)*

*Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, **neither shall cease from yielding fruit**. (Jer. 17:7-8)*

*I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and **every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit**. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in me,*

he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. (John 15:1-8)

*But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; **which also beareth fruit**, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. (Matt. 13:23)*

*And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever. Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and **increase the fruits of your righteousness**;) Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God. (2 Cor. 9:8-11)*

*Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. **They shall still bring forth fruit in old age**; they shall be fat and flourishing. (Psalm 92:13-14)*

*Not because I desire a gift: but **I desire fruit that may abound to your account**. (Phil. 4:17)*

***The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life**; and he that winneth souls is wise. (Prov. 11:30)*

No Condemnation: Right-Standing in Christ

Note: Righteousness (also known as justification) is the ability to stand in God's presence without condemnation and shame. It makes available all that God desires to bless us with. This righteousness is not earned but comes through faith in the redemptive work of Christ on our behalf.

*There is therefore now **no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.** For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: **That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.** (Rom. 8:1-4)*

*For if our heart condemn us, **God is greater than our heart,** and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. (1 John 3:20-21)*

*But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to **cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** (1 John 3:7-9)*

*But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is **made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification,***

and redemption: That, according as it is written, He that glorifieth, let him glory in the Lord. (1 Cor. 1:30-31)

For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. (2 Cor. 5:21)

Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law Seeing it is one God, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith. (Rom. 3:28, 30)

*But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, **his faith is counted for righteousness.** Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works. (Rom. 4:5-6)*

Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification. (Rom. 4:25)

*And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had yet being uncircumcised: that he might be the father of all them that believe, **though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also.** (Rom. 4:11)*

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom. 5:1)

Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. (Rom. 5:9)

And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is

*of many offences unto justification. For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.) Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by **the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.** For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, **so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.** (Rom. 5:16-19)*

Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified. (Rom. 8:30)

What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith. (Rom. 9:30)

*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. **For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness;** and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. (Rom. 10:9-11)*

And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. (Eph. 4:24)

Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness. (Eph. 6:14)

*Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ, And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, **the righteousness which is of God by faith.** (Phil. 3:8-9)*

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. (1 Pet. 2:24)

For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. (1 Pet. 3:12)

*Little children, let no man deceive you: **he that doeth righteousness is righteous**, even as he is righteous. (1 John 3:7)*

And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. (Rev. 19:8)

Intercessory Prayer Promises

*And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, **that I should not destroy it:** but I found none. (Eze. 22:30)*

*I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. **For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;** Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. (1 Tim. 2:1-4)*

Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, (Eph. 6:18-19)

*Confess your faults one to another, and **pray one for another,** that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. (James 5:16)*

Therefore he said that he would destroy them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, to turn away his wrath, lest he should destroy them. (Psalm 106:23)

*Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou swarest by thine own self, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it for ever. **And the Lord***

repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people. (Ex. 32:13-14)

*Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now. And **the Lord said, I have pardoned according to thy word:*** (Num. 14:19-20)

*For a multitude of the people, even many of Ephraim, and Manasseh, Issachar, and Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, yet did they eat the passover otherwise than it was written. But Hezekiah prayed for them, saying, The good Lord pardon every one That prepareth his heart to seek God, the Lord God of his fathers, though he be not cleansed according to the purification of the sanctuary. And **the Lord hearkened to Hezekiah, and healed the people.*** (2 Chron. 30:18-20)

*And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, **I will not destroy it for ten's sake.*** (Gen. 18:32)

*And the Lord turned the captivity of Job, **when he prayed for his friends:** also the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before.* (Job 42:10)

*Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, **an holy priesthood,** to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.* (1 Pet. 2:5)

*But ye are a chosen generation, **a royal priesthood,** an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.* (1 Pet. 5:9)

End Time Promises

And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy (Acts 2:17, 18)

And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. (Isa. 2:2-4; see also Micah 4:1-5)

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. (Matt. 24:14)

Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ. (Titus 2:13)

Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall

come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. (Rev. 3:10)

*Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; **but he shall be saved out of it.** (Jer. 30:7)*

*Much more then, being now justified by his blood, **we shall be saved from wrath through him.** (Romans 5:9)*

*And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, **which delivered us from the wrath to come.** (1 Thess. 1:10)*

*And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: **and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.** (Dan. 12:1)*

***For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.** (1 Thess. 5:9-11)*

*For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. **Wherefore comfort one another with these words.** (1 Thess. 4:16-18)*

*Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, **when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.** And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure. (1 John 3:1-3)*

*Behold, I shew you a mystery; **We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,** In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. (1 Cor. 15:51-58)*

I tell you, in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. (Luke 17:34-36)

*For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: **Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto***

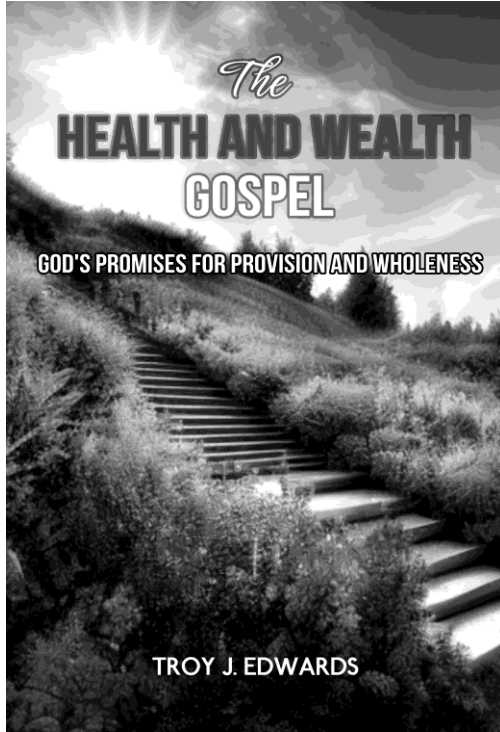
his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself. (Phil. 3:20-21)

*Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom **the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming.** (2 Thess. 2:5-8)*

*The Lord knoweth how **to deliver the godly out of temptations**, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished. (2 Pet. 2:9)*

*He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: **bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure.** Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far off. (Isa. 33:16-17)*

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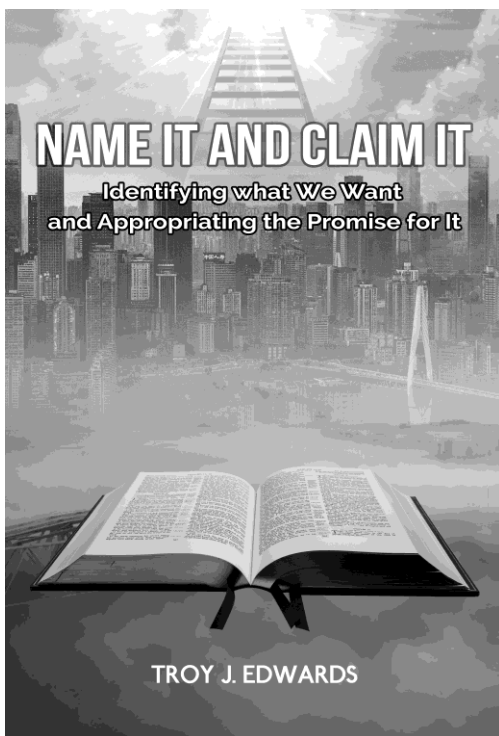
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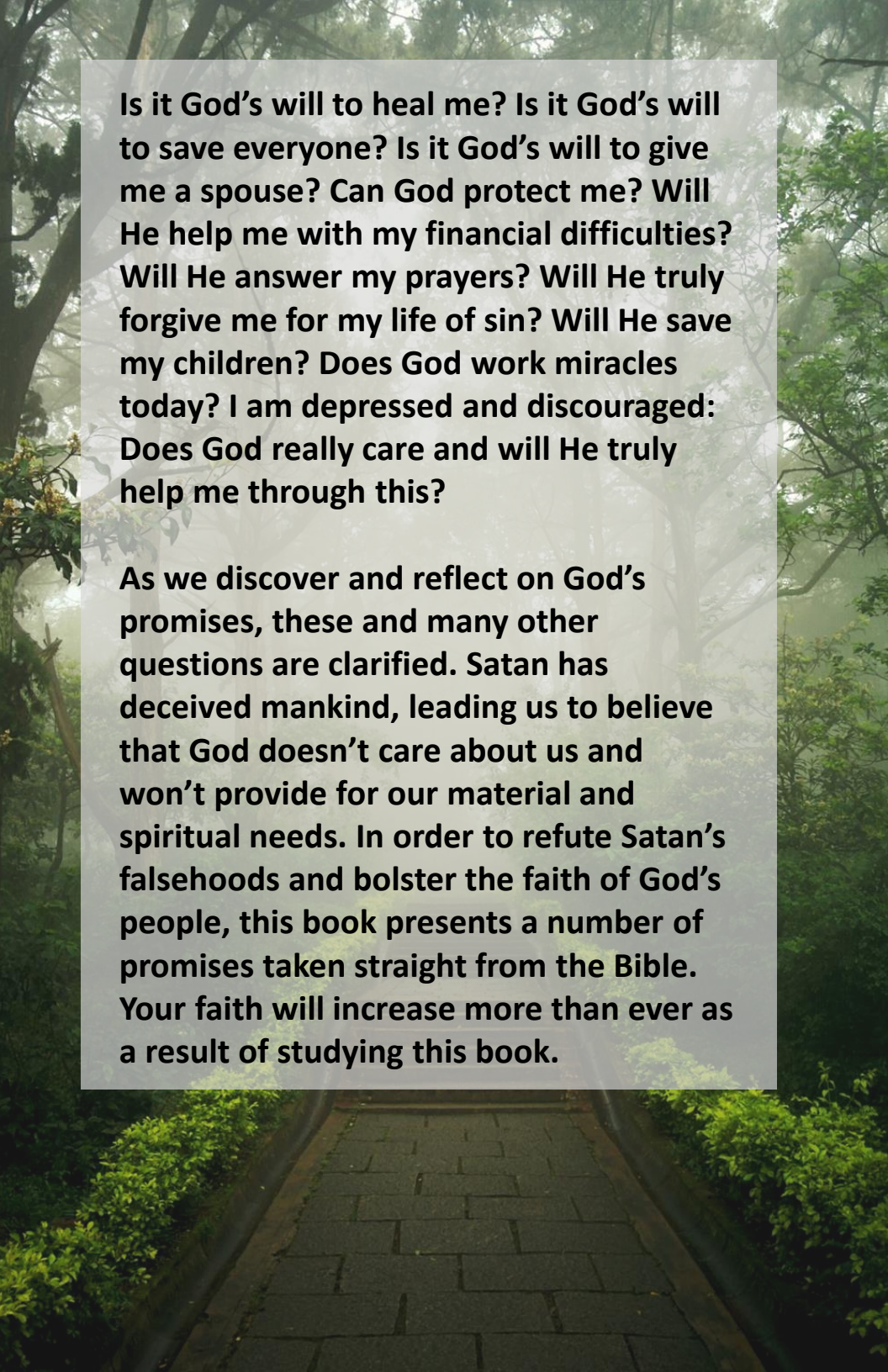


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