

12 Promises From God's Word

There are over 3,000 promises in the Bible and we really know so few of them. God tells us to remind Him of those promises and He will make them happen. I want us to look at just 12 promises that will help us in our daily walk with God.

God promises us

1. **His Presence** – Matt. 28:20; Heb. 13:5; Ps 121:4

Jesus promises that He will never “leave us or forsake us” and that He will be with us always. Psalm 121 tells us that God neither “slumbers nor sleeps”. That means that He is always with us not matter where we are or what we are doing. Psalm 139:7ff tells us that we can't get away from God no matter where we go.

2. **His Protection** – Ps 121; Ps 27; Ps 90:1-8; 11-16; Rom 18:31

God wants to protect us from harm, evil, and those who are against us. But He also wants to protect us from ourselves. He knows more about us than anyone and therefore He can guide us better than we can ourselves. We cannot go anywhere that God cannot protect us. Now we can ignore God's protection and He won't force it on us. We can be stupid.

3. **His Power** – Col 1:11; Is. 40:29; Acts 1:8

God's power is awesome. After all, He created everything. Do you really believe that He can do anything? Or do you think He is only interested in the big things?

4. **His Provision** – Ps 23; Ps 37:4-6; Matt. 6:25-34

How many of us feel like we are lacking something? That there is something missing in our lives? We so often think about providing our basic needs that we forget that He is just as concerned about our emotional and intellectual needs as well.

5. **His Leading** – Ps. 23; John 10:3; Is 48:17; 2 Cor 2:14;

Have you ever felt God's leading? Do you know what that feels like? Could you explain it to someone else? How did you know it was God? God promises to lead, guide and direct us at all times, IF we will listen to Him.

6. **His Purpose** – Jer. 29:11; Phil 2:13-15

Have you ever asked the question, “Why am I here?” “What am I supposed to do?” Probably at some point in time, we all have or will ask that question. God give a very simple answer to that question. It is to glorify Him and tell others about Him.

We are His and He is going to work in us to perfect us.

7. **His Rest** – Matt. 11:28-30; Ps 37:7

This is probably one of the most misunderstood passages in the Bible. We often quote this and then say, “Just rest”. However, we must look at the word “rest”. It is not a passive word that means to just do nothing. But we are to take God’s yoke and His burden, in exchange for ours. So often we just add what we think God’s burden to ours and then we are truly overwhelmed. David tells us to “rest in the Lord”. What does that mean? We are to relax in the knowledge that God is still in control and He will bring all things to pass.

8. **His Cleansing** – 1 John 1:7 & 9; 5:14; Jude 24-25

Here is the power of God’s reason for coming to earth. Forgiveness of sin. We need only to believe that He died, was buried, and rose again to have this eternal life. It truly is that simple and we just have to get over our pride and trust God. The difficult part is the continuing need for forgiveness on a daily basis. We learn things in school and after a while, we no longer make the same mistakes. But when it comes to sin, we seem to make the same ones over and over again. Yet, scripture says here that God, is faithful, and He will forgive our sin and make us holy and righteous before the father.

9. **His Goodness** – Ps 34; Ps 103:1-6

This Psalm is one of my favorites. It tells me daily that I am not alone and that God is with me and cares for me and I do not need to be afraid. That even if things are really going downhill, God is there. We are more treasured and provided for than the animals and the wicked.

10. **His Faithfulness** – 1 Sam. 1 & 2; Lam 3:22-23

God’s faithfulness is demonstrated throughout history. He is the great provider for the people of Israel and He still provides for us today. You cannot out run, out last, out smart, out live, out do, out hope, out work, or even out sin, God’s faithfulness.

11. **His Plan** – Jer. 29:11; Rom 8:28; Prov 16:9

Just to make sure you know the difference, God have both a plan and a purpose for you. We saw His purpose earlier, but now we know that God will give us a plan for fulfilling that purpose. He will never call us to do something without equipping us to do it. He does not want us to fail. It would do Him no good. We are to look to Him for our plan.

12. His Love – John 3:16; 1 Cor 13; Rom 8:38-39

If you want to see God's love for us, just look at the cross. We can say and write thousands of pages of "stuff" on God's love, but it all boils down to one thing and that one thing is Christ's death on the cross. Paul wrote, that he wanted to preach and only preach "Christ and Christ crucified". Now that assumes that it is understood that Christ also rose from the dead, or His death would just be a death. What is your definition of love? How do you demonstrate love? Is it the unconditional, unselfish, service oriented, kind, considerate, thoughtful, generous, unreserved all out kind of love? Or do you have a list of things and restrictions that you hold dear?