

Your Place at God's Table of Blessings

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Introduction to This Table

To start this book I want to review what has happened in the world in the last several years. Now this book starts out rough, but bear with me it is going to get much better. This is a picture of how life became for a season. It seemed like death and sickness reigned. It seemed like the devil was the winner and God and God's people were not. It seemed like everyone struggled to make it. It seemed like the world just turned up on end and flipped over and what used to make sense no longer did. It seemed for many people like there was no longer any way for them to win. There was no way to overcome on your own. You could forget about being happy.

It used to be that people would laugh when they got together. They would enjoy one another's company. They would relax and let go of the struggle and the stress of day to day life. Not any more. It has become such a way of life to struggle that they can't let go of the struggle for a minute. If they do, the struggle just sweeps over them. Even when they sit down at a table to fellowship with friends and family, there is no real peace. There is just talk about how crazy things have become. The main topic is the news and current events of the day, and most people agree that we don't even know the truth about what is going on. Many are sitting at tables of doom and gloom and sickness and death and they have no idea that they don't have to sit there. Even Christians are

sitting at that dark table and they think that they have to sit there. They think that is the place where they have to sit because that is the only table to be found.

I want to present to you in this little book that this is not so. There is another table that we can sit at. That table is the table of God's blessings. And we can sit there even when things are bad in the world. Why? Because when you walk and talk with the Lord, when you hear His voice leading you and you obey Him, when His Good News (His Word) is what you hear more than the sounds of the bad news of the media, then you realize that you can sit at a different table than the people who don't know Him are sitting at. You can sit down at the table that God has set for His children. It is His table of His blessings.

It is my prayer that when you read this book you see the table of God's blessings and you see that as a child of God you can find a place there for you. If you aren't a child of God, then I pray that when you read this little book, you find out how to become one, and how to find your place at the table and you realize that you want to do so with all of your heart. I pray that all of you who read this little book realize that the rest of the world may sit at a table of gloom and doom but your reality in God is not gloomy and you can find joy in His presence. I pray that you see what wonderful things there are at God's table like peace, joy, hope, light, life, truth, victory, physical and mental and spiritual blessings, authority over

satan, victory over fear and depression, healing instead of sickness, strength to rise up in victory, and so much more.

All these things are there for you as children of God. I pray that you find your place at this table and I pray that you realize how to come and sit at this wonderful table. I pray that you realize that you don't have to accept the things in your life that aren't served at God's table. And you can find life abundant and free at this table even when the world is shaking with fear. You can find sweet victory in God and you can rise up and overcome. You can not only rise up above everything that is happening in the world and overcome, but you can be a light that will help those around you to be able to do the same.

Come and sit down at YOUR PLACE at God's table of blessings. You are welcome there.

Chapter 1
A Different Way of Seeing Things

Now I can just hear some of you talking. You are thinking to yourself as you read this that I am not in reality. You are thinking how can any of this be true. You think that I must have my head in the clouds and no roots in reality at all. Or you may think that this is all just some sort of scam to get people to believe something that isn't really true. Or you may think I am just as crazy as this crazy world. Just bear with me a minute or two. It won't hurt you to hear me out. If after you read this little book (and hey it really is a little book) and if you still think that this is just a lot of foolishness, then you won't have lost anything. Give it a listen for a bit.

Nobody can disagree that things have been really bad, as bad as most of us have seen. At least us younger folks. I am not disagreeing with that. But I just want to suggest here that there is a way to rise up and overcome it all and the way to do that is by seeing what God is serving at His table and by feasting there instead of feasting at the table that this world offers.

So where have I found my information about this table of blessings that God has. The answer to that is simple. Where do we go to find anything out about God? We go to His Word, the Bible. That is a bold statement to make saying that the Bible is God's

Word. Isn't there a lot of religions out there, and isn't there a lot of truths? How can I say that the Bible is God's Word and that it is the only truth? I can say that because it says that it is so. The Bible says that the only way to heaven is through Jesus Christ and there is only one way to be victorious in this life and overcome and that is to do it God's way. There is only one truth and that truth is found in His Word. I am going to discuss this fact for a bit, then we'll go on to talk more about God's table. I want to talk about this first because we have to go to the Bible to find that table that we are speaking about. So first I want to establish with you that the Bible is God's Word.

Now before you shut me out I want to tell you something that I once told a lady. She was getting into the Buddhist religion. I simply told her that I want to follow a winner, not a loser. It was historically proven that Jesus raised from the dead. It is such a fact that it happened that even other religions record it. The Bible tells us that over 500 people saw Him alive after He had died. 1 Corinthians 15:3-8 says "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: And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are

fallen asleep. After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles. And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.” We read in God’s Word documentation that this fact happened.

You might say here why would we listen to God’s Word concerning this? One reason is because this is the eye witness accounts of those who saw this happen and those who were told first hand about this account. You might ask wouldn’t the Bible say that this happened even though it wasn’t true? Well, here is a thought—the Koran makes no mention of Mohammed coming back to life after he died. The Buddhists Bible does not mention that Buddha was resurrected. Why? Because neither of these happened. You can’t claim that something like this happened if it wasn’t well documented and proven. Why? If it didn’t happen and you said it did, then people would just dismiss you as being crazy. That didn’t happen when people claimed that Jesus rose from the dead. Why? Because it was proven to be true.

Let’s get back to my story about my encounter with that woman. I told her that I wanted to serve a God that was a winner. And the god of Buddha was a loser. How could I say that? Because I want to serve the God that could bring His Son back to life after He died. And I told her that I wanted to serve a God who loved me enough to send His Son to die for me so that I could find a life with Him. In other words, He

sent His Son to die for you so that He could provide for you that wonderful table that I am talking about. He loved you enough that He sent His Son to die for you so that you could find a place at that table of blessings. That is how much He wants you to find your place at that table. We are not serving a loser but a winner who can make us to be overcomers, victorious no matter what the situations are that we face. We are serving a God (the only God that there is) who loves us with a great love.

Another proof that the Bible is God's Word is the hundreds of prophecies that were written hundreds of years before they came true and they were fulfilled to every detail. One example of this is the 300 prophecies about Jesus. They are prophecies about His life, death, and resurrection that were fulfilled to the letter. For example how He would leave heaven to be born as a baby on earth to go through all the things that He went through so that He could know what it was like to be human because He loved you enough to want to know. How He was born in Bethlehem in a manger, as well as the details of where He grew up, many of the details of His childhood, details of what He went through for you, details that surrounded His death, all these things were written about hundreds of years before they came about.

Some examples are that He would be beaten beyond recognition before His crucifixion, that they would put a crown of thorns on His head and mock and

ridicule Him, that they would give Him vinegar to drink while on the cross, that they would gamble for His garments at the foot of the cross, that they would pierce His side. All these things were written in the Bible hundreds of years before they happened. These are only just a few of those prophecies. All of these things that He suffered through He did for you. Why? Because of His love.

You can see two things through these details I gave you. You can see that the Bible has to be God's Word and you can see the love behind the whole story and through that you can get a glimpse of the God that wrote the story and the Savior who reigns triumphant even over death.

So we can see through all of this discussion that the best place to go to find this table that we are talking about is to go to God's Word. Let's go there for just a bit and we can see this wonderful table and the place that is set there for you.

Chapter 2

Where Is This Table

Now you won't be able to find this table by going to the Golden Corral or to Shoney's. They are two of my favorite places to eat. But you won't find the things that you can find at God's table there at those places. Why? Because those are physical places with physical food on those tables. God's table is a spiritual place. Does that mean it isn't real just because you can't see it? No. It is just a different sort of table. Let's talk about this for a minute. What do I mean physical versus spiritual? Physical things are things that you can see and touch. They are things that you can sense with your five senses.

Spiritual things are things that are not seen or touched. One example is love. Is love not real because you can't see it or sense it with your five senses? We all know that it is. God is real. Even though you can't see Him, He is real. We all know the effect that God can have on our life is a powerful effect. So this table is a spiritual table, not one we can physically sit down at, but it is real all the same. When we know about this table of God's blessings, it is something that can change our life as well.

So how do we see this table that you can't see. We see it through God's Word. When you study God's Word and you see His love and His purpose, then you realize that He wants a better life for you than what

the world is living right now. You also realize that He has the power to give you those better things if you believe in Him and in His Word and if you honor His Word and keep it. Let's read about the life that God wants for us. Jesus Himself said in John 10:10 "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." He wants you to have an abundant life, a full life. John 1:12 says "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." He tells us to come to Him and He will love us as His sons and He will give us power to become His sons. That is a glimpse of the kind of things that we can find at that table. Knowing these things certainly can help us to find the victory to overcome.

James 1:17 says "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning." This table is set for us by our perfect Father who does not change. He is good and perfect and there is no shadow about Him. Through that scripture we see another glimpse of the sort of things that we can find at this table. Psalms 31:19 says this about God. "Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!" He has laid up for us countless promises and blessings that we can find in Him.

Hey, all of this is just to get your appetite stirred up. It is just like when you walk up to the door of the Golden Corral and when you are outside the door you start smelling those good smells. Your mouth starts watering and you are ready to go in and feast. Have you ever gotten to the door of your favorite restaurant, smelled all those good things, and then said “Well that is enough, I can go home now.” No way. You went in and feasted. You have gotten a little smell of this table of God’s blessing. In the next chapter we’ll look at the main courses on the table. And you can decide then if you want to sit down in YOUR PLACE at God’s table of blessings. Psalms 37:8 says it nicely “Oh taste and see that the Lord is good”

I want to close this chapter with this thought. Is God only good when things in the world are going good? Are we only loved as His children when things in the world are going good? Do we only see His blessings when things in the world are going good? Does God’s Word only work for God’s people when things in the world are going good? I think that in your heart you know the answers to these questions. I can tell from talking to someone for just a few minutes whether or not they have found the victory that can be found in God and in His Word. I can tell this when I ask how they are doing and they reply, “God is good. He will help us to make it through whatever comes. He will give us the strength to overcome.

We can be victorious through Him.” When I hear this kind of talk I know that they are walking with God. I know that they will overcome. You can find God’s table of blessings even if things don’t look good in the world. His table is still spread out for His children. Coming up we’ll talk about what we need to do to be able to sit at the table.

Chapter 3

How To Sit at the Table

This table is no different from other tables in that there are certain things you have to do to be able to eat at it. Here are the things that you need to do to be able to sit and feast at God's table of blessings:

1. You have to see it. If you want to sit down at a table you have to see that it is there. Now God's table is a little different from most tables. The way that you see it is by having faith that it is there. You find out that it is there from reading God's Word. You can't see it with your eyes but in your heart you know that it is there.

If we aren't careful, especially in today's crazy world, we can be so used to bad news that we can't get a grip on God's good news. We become conditioned to having things go from bad to worse that we fail to see the good things that God has for us if we just accept them and believe that they are there for us. We have to see that things can work out for good if we just put them in God's hands and trust Him. We have to see that we may not deserve good things, but through His grace God has good things for us. You have to be able to see this table of blessings to be able to feast on those blessings, on those promises made in His Word.

2. Just like any table, for you to sit down and eat there you have to want what is served. I can honestly

say that there have been a couple of restaurants that when I went in I walked out. I saw how nasty they were and I couldn't eat there. I had no desire at all to eat what they were serving. I didn't even sit down at their table. But there have been bunches of tables that when I saw what they were serving my mouth watered before I even sat down in my chair.

You have been given a glimpse of what is being served at God's table of blessings. I am sure that as you read about this table you get a glimpse of what wonderful things are being served there. These things are things that can change your whole life. They can change who you are. If you go and feast at this table, it can even change the lives of those around you that you love. You can change your corner of the world if you sit down and feast at this life giving, light giving, truth giving, bondage breaking, deliverance bringing, health bringing table of blessings. I am sure that the glimpse you have of this table has left you hungry to sit down and feast.

3. You have to be invited to be able to feast at a table. Now if you went into your neighbor's house without knocking and without having been invited and you sat down at their table expecting to feast, you might be disappointed. You would probably be asked to leave and if you didn't leave you might be sitting in a police car eventually. You have been invited to come and feast at God's table of blessing. Matthew 11:28 says, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are

heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” James 4:8 says “Come near to God and He will come near to you...” We’ve already talked about this verse but it is a good one to repeat over and over. John 10:10 says, “The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.” You can take God at His Word. He has invited you to come and sit at this table.

4. You have to see the One who is serving and the price He paid to set your place at this table of blessings. When Jesus reaches out to serve the blessings that He has at His table, if you could see this in the natural, the first thing that you would notice when He reaches out to serve you are the huge nail scars that are there in those beloved hands. That my dear brother and sister is the price that He paid to make a place for you at this table.

To be able to sit down at this table you have to be saved. You have to be a child of God. Jesus had to give His life and shed His blood for you to be saved. He did that for you. When He hung on the cross and bowed His head and said it is finished and He died giving His life for you and for us all, He was talking about the price that He paid for you. If He hadn’t suffered and died, then there wouldn’t be a table to sit at. He provided the table and he invites you to sit down with Him. John 7:22-26 talks about the motive of why He died to provide this table. “And the glory

which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me. Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me. 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.” His motive was love. He wants to love you with the love that His Father has for Him. What a great love. What a Savior. Let Him love you. Love Him with all your heart and soul and mind. Come and feast at this wonderful table that was provided because of His love.

5. You have to see your place there. You have to see your place in God. When I first started serving the Lord, the devil was able to stop me because I wasn't sure of my place in the kingdom of God. The devil could easily back me up and back me in a corner and steal my victory because I didn't know my place in God. I wasn't sure of who I was in God. The Bible told me about my place, but I didn't have an understanding of this in my heart.

Bishop Goad sat me down one day and told me about my place in God's kingdom and I can honestly say that it changed my life. Matter of fact I can honestly say that if we hadn't had that conversation right then at that time, I would not still be serving God. That conversation made that much of a difference. Bishop Goad helped me to find my place in God. He helped me see what it means to be a child of God and the love that keeps me there. After that when the devil came in with his load of condemnation, I no longer listened to his lies, because I knew who I was and I knew my place in God. He was no longer able to cheat me out of God's blessing. He was no longer able to steal my place at God's table.

6. You have to sit down and eat. I can get so busy in the course of a day that I don't take time to eat. Some times we get so busy in life's everyday routine that we don't take time to sit down and feast at God's table. There are so many things that steal our time away. Unimportant things that don't really matter fill our lives and steal away our time. We don't have time (or we don't take the time) to take in the Word of God. We don't spend time in prayer, and we don't spend time with the One who died to give us an abundant life. Because we don't do these things then it is easy for the devil to steal our victory. And we never find the wonderful things that are there for us at God's table of blessings.

Sit down and pull up a chair. There are wonderful things for you at God's table. Sit down and rest and fellowship with the One who died to love you. This world is so crazy and full of things to fear and full of things that steal your peace and sanity of mind. Sit down and feast in God's peace. Just like you have to take time to eat at a physical table, you have to take time to feast at God's table.

7. You have to stop fighting the enemy so that you can see God and know that He has blessings for you. It seems that people have to fight to make it financially, to keep their families healthy, to keep their sanity in this crazy world. They fight just to keep their head above water. Seems like the devil is running wild and we have to fight Him on every corner.

God showed me something one time that changed my life. This was the first time that I began to get an understanding of God's table and how to feast there. He showed me that I was sitting at His wonderful table and I had these things in my hands. They were strange looking things and I didn't know what they were. But I couldn't eat because I had these things in my hands. Not long after this I saw on the internet those very things that I had in my hands. They were ancient implements of war. God was showing me that I was so busy fighting that I couldn't pick up my knife and spoon to eat. I had to let go of the battle to be able to feast on the blessings that God was sitting

down for me at my place at His table of blessings. I had to quit fighting to feast. I had to rest and trust God's Word and His love to keep me.

8. Before you eat you need to say your blessing and thank God and praise Him for these blessings. I thank God for my husband. He is mindful to give thanks to God every time that he sits to eat even if He is just eating a snack and not a meal. He takes off his ever present cap and bows his head and says thanks every time he eats. Should we do less when we feast at God's table?

We need to thank Him for His strength, for His love, for the peace He brings even when it seems the world is falling apart, for His hedge of protection, for His joy, for His light that chases the darkness away, for His Spirit inside of us that enables us to serve Him, for the hope that gives us a reason to press on, for His care for us and our families, for salvation, for His forgiveness that wipes away our failures and our sins, for life abundant, and financial blessings that will cause us to prosper, for armor to protect us from the devil, for life everlasting, a river of life. All these things are at this wonderful, holy, supernatural table of blessings. Praise Him for these things that He has put at your place at His table.

9. Love the others that are at the table with you. I love to have church dinners and family dinners and dinners with those I work with. There are two things

that I love about dinners. One is the food and the other is the fellowship. Fellowship lifts you up in God's love and it brings joy. We always laugh a lot when we get together, our church, or family, or with those at work.

One of the greatest battles to overcome is loneliness. The greatest thing that I find about serving God is that I am never lonely even when I am alone. When I am alone, I always have God with me. I have the prayers of those who are praying for me. I have a family that is immense, the family of God, and they are with me in spirit even when I am alone because we are united together in the Spirit of God that reaches down through time to unite His people. We are one with those who are on earth right now, and we are also one with those who have gone on to heaven. How? Because we are all one in Him.

One day every one of God's children will come together in that supernaturally grand place called heaven where we will fellowship together for ever and ever in the love of that One who died to bring us together with Himself and with God and with one another. We are greatly loved with a love that is so great that forever we will learn of it. Enjoy the fellowship of all those who are with you. And always, always remember that you are never alone.

10. There is something else that you need to remember before you can sit down at this table of

blessings. You have to let go of the struggles and the battles of yesterday. To find a life abundant you have to let go of your past life of defeat. To grab onto a life of victory you have to let go of the past when you were a loser without God. Today is a new day, a new beginning in God.

God is a God who makes all things new. Revelation 21:5 says, “And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.” 2 Corinthians 5:17 says, “Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.”

Not only can we be made new, but the whole situation in the world can be made new. Who says? God says. “Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.” When your world seems as dry as a desert, God can do a new thing and make rivers in the desert. When it seems there is no way to go on, God can make a way in the wilderness.

He is able to do all these things. He isn't limited by the situations of the hour. The people that I meet who have the victory are the ones that see this. When you think that you are going to sink in defeat, remember this. One day He is going to create a new heaven and

a new earth. Can He help you? Isaiah 65:17-18 “For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. But be ye glad and rejoice forever in that which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.” Yes, He is able to keep you and raise you up in victory.

Chapter 4

What a Feast

There are so many wonderful things at this table. In this chapter we will talk about some of them. Keep in mind that these are just very few of God's blessings that He has at His table of blessings. There are many, many, many more.

The Promise of Life

One of the most profound things that you can find at God's table is life instead of death. When I first came to the Lord I was wrapped up in grave-clothes. Death was all I could see. Things were so dark that I didn't even want to live. I was that way until I met the one Who is resurrection and life and I found a life that is worth living.

John 11:25 says, "Jesus said unto her, (the woman at the well) I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live" You may feel dead. You may be so overwhelmed with all the changes in the world that you see no hope and no reason to live. I want to introduce the One who puts life at His table. In John 4:14 Jesus says, "But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life." You can not only find a life abundant, but you can find a life that will get you out of the living grave that you are in and

when you are out you, can shine like a light to help others up out of the graves they are in and you can change your world.

The Promise of Salvation

Another thing that we can find at God's table is salvation. When we come to the Lord, we are saved from so many things. One of the biggest things that we are saved from is ourselves and the mess we have made of our lives. God can save you from yourself and your weaknesses. He doesn't just save you and leave you as you are but He gives you power to change. He makes you new if you yield to Him. One thing that He puts at His table is salvation. The price that He paid to give you salvation is His only Son, Jesus, your Savior. That is the kind of love God has for you. John 3:16 says "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." We eternally will walk with the One Who sent His Son so that we could be saved. That is a promise.

How do we get saved? Romans 10:10 says "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." We believe in our heart. We pray and we confess that we know that Jesus Christ is God's Son. We ask God to forgive us and to cleanse us of all of our unrighteousness. We believe in our hearts that He will do so. We ask Him to come into our hearts and

fill us with His Spirit. We commit our hearts and minds and our lives to Him.

The Promise of Never Being Alone

We talked earlier how we may think that we are alone, but we are never lonely. When we are saved we have fellowship with God and Christ. What amazing company to be a part of. Philippians 4:9 says, “Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you. Revelation 3:20 says, “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.”

He will fellowship with us. He is my best friend. I love to be in His presence. Corinthians 1:9, “God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.” John 17:21-23 tells us of this great love. “That they all may be one; as thou, Father art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.”

The Promise of God's Love We not only have fellowship with God and with Christ, but we are also

loved with a great love. God's love is an amazing eternal love. Romans 5:8 says, "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." 1 John 4:9-10 says, "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" 1 John 3:1 says, "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." He goes with us. Joshua 1:9 "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." Deuteronomy 31:6 "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. "

This scripture talks about how we can count on God's love to be there. Romans 8:35-39 "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.” 1 John 4:10 “Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.” That means for our forgiveness and redemption. Galatians 2:20 “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.” What a love. What a Savior.

The Promise of Being a Child of God

Another blessing that we can find at God’s table is being a child of God. When we are saved, we become the children of God and we walk with an amazing Savior, Jesus Christ and He is Lord above all. We are definitely on the winning side. What a great love and what a wonderful Savior. We are loved as God’s sons, and that gives us many rights. Just as earthly sons inherit things from their Fathers, when Christ died for us we inherited many supernatural positions including what we inherit as being Sons of God. We have no idea of what a great position that is.

Here are verses that talk about this position God give us. John 1:12 “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.” Romans 8:14-16 “For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are

the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together.” What a blessing on that table to be able to be called a child of God. That makes us very special indeed.

The Promise of Forgiveness

One of the greatest blessings that we have at this wonderful table is forgiveness. When I first came to the Lord, I came with a load of garbage which included the guilt that I carried from my sin days. When I found out about God’s amazing forgiveness, when I found out that I no longer had to carry a load of condemnation and guilt, it totally changed my life. Guilt separates us from God’s love. It even stops you from being able to love yourself. When God forgave me and cleaned away all that mess that separated me from love, when I found out about His forgiveness, it changed my darkness to light. Even now all those years later I rely on God’s forgiveness.

Here are verses that talk about God’s forgiveness. Ephesians 1:7 “In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace” Matthew 26:28 “For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many

for the remission (remit means to pardon and forgive) of sins.” Acts 10:43 “To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.” When we believe in Him we will receive forgiveness.

When we find His forgiveness we understand that we are no longer under condemnation. We are no longer condemned because of our sin. Romans 8:1, “*There is* therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.” John 3:17 “For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.” We are not condemned but we are set free. We are set free to rise up above the things that are destroying us if we will just let them go. Forgiveness is such a powerful blessing that we find at God’s table.

The Promise of Everlasting Life

One of the longest, everlasting blessings that we have in God is the promise of eternal life with God in a perfect place that He made for His children. Forever we will walk with God and fellowship with Him and with God’s children in a place that is so perfect that there are no words to describe it. Some one told me something that had happened to a friend of theirs. This friend had died and had gone to heaven but was brought back to life. His wife kept pestering him to tell her about what heaven was like, but he wouldn’t. Finally in frustration he told her that he couldn’t

describe it because there are no words to describe it. It is such a wondrous place that our human words cannot even describe it.

Our future is in God's hands and the hope of our future is that it is very, very, very good. How long will that perfect future last? It will last forever. John 5:24, "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." Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

The Promise of Knowing the Truth

One thing that I praise God for especially in the world today where you hear lies everywhere you go is that we can find truth in God. We can find the truth in God's Word. We can find truth in God. Part of the very nature of God is that He cannot lie. There are no lies in God. Not only can we find the truth and we can be part of the truth, but God's Spirit in us gives us the ability to discern the truth from the lies. In today's world that is very important.

Here are verses that talk about the truth. John 17:17 "Sanctify (which means to make holy and set aside) them through thy truth: thy word is truth." God's truth will set us aside and make us holy. John 8:32 "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall

make you free.” God’s truth can totally and completely set us free. John 16:13 “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.” If you want to find out the truth about the things that are happening now, ask God. If you want to find out the truth about the things that are going to happen in the future then ask God. You can take His Word for it. Why? Because you know that He will tell you the truth. He will guide you into the truth.

The Promise of Being Filled With God’s Spirit

One of the most profound promises that we have is the promise that the Holy Ghost can fill us. That changes us from the inside out. Sometimes we can be our own worst enemy. When we are saved God’s Spirit comes in us to live. But there is also another promise that we have. We can be completely filled with God’s Spirit. For more about this read my book called *The Story of Acts and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost*. You can find it on my website which is found at www.freechristianonlinebooks.com. Or you can find it on Amazon.com.

Here are just a few scriptures that talk about this amazing life changing experience which is a gift that God gives His people. Acts 1:8 “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 Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.” Acts 4:31”And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.” Acts 2:4 “And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” Joel 2:28 “And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions.”

The Promise of God’s Guidance

Here is another promise. Today it is hard to know which direction to go in, what decisions you need to make, how to deal with the things that are happening. God’s Word promises guidance. God’s Spirit can lead you in the right direction at the right time to get a blessing and to avoid problems and harmful situations. We don’t have to rely on our own understanding. We have an eternal God who is very, very wise and we can trust Him to lead us.

Here are scriptures about the promise of God’s guidance. Proverbs 3:5-6 “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.” Psalms 119:105 “Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.” Psalms 37:23-24 “The steps of a good man are

ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth him with his hand.” Isaiah 30:21 “And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.”

He can talk to your heart and let you know which way you should go. He can keep you safe by leading you in the right direction. He can lead you to things that will bless you. I can't tell you how many times when because I let God lead me, He led me to a financial miracle and a blessing. He can get you to the right place at the right time to be greatly blessed. He can also keep you out of harm's way. I can't tell you how many times that the Lord led me to keep out of a certain place at a certain time and because I listened He saved my life. So many times He has led me to make a right decision when the wrong decision could have been a bad thing. Trust Him and listen to Him. God can lead and guide you.

The Promise of God's Provision

Another promise is that God will provide for you and your family. We don't have to fret because the economy is bad. If God has to feed you through a miracle he will take care of you. I have a friend who saw in a miraculous way how God can take care of you. When he was a child he remembers a time when the Lord did a miracle to feed His family.

They lived way out in the country on a little road. There had been a huge snow storm that kept them snowed in for several days. They ran out of food for their family. He remembers that they prayed that God would feed them. The next morning they went outside and on their porch they found a huge box of food. When they were discussing who had such a vehicle that could have made it to their house through all that deep snow, they noticed something that stopped them in their tracks with amazement. They noticed that there were no foot prints around the food or anywhere in the yard. It hadn't snowed in a while so they knew that the prints of whoever brought the food couldn't have been snowed in or blown over. They knew that they had been fed through a miracle.

I have seen many times in my life when God provided for me through a miracle. I have had the Lord put hundreds of dollars in my bank account when I needed it. He has done the same for our ministry. God will provide. He will meet your needs whether those needs be financial, physical, or spiritual. He will provide. Here are verses that promise this. Philippians 4:19 "But my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Matthew 7:11 "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?" Psalms 34:10 "The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they

that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.”
God will meet your needs.

The Promise of Light

When it seems the world is so dark, we need to remember the promise of light. I have seen the light of God in the darkest times and it was so great that it lit up the darkness. John 8:12 “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.” John 12:46 “I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.”

This is something that the Lord showed me many years ago. There was a light. It was shining in the daylight. You could barely see that light. Then the background started getting darker and darker. When it grew as black and as dark as it possibly get, the light got brighter and brighter until it shone with a great brilliance. God, His Word and His Spirit are light. Jesus came to bring light in the darkness. They are so full of light that the darkness cannot put their light out.

I hate darkness. It is not my favorite place to be in. I have been in some dark places full of loss, sickness, depression, loneliness, surrounded by lies, and want and need, places where I lost my hope and joy. When I met the Lord, I walked with someone who chased away every bit of the dark out of my life. I thank God

for His amazing light. One day there won't be any need for the sun or moon because the Son will shine and He will be the only light that will shine.

The Promise of Joy, Peace, and Hope

Joy is another promise that we have. God's joy is not dependent on our circumstances. The Bible says in Nehemiah 8:10 "...for the joy of the LORD is your strength." Have you ever noticed that when you lose your joy maybe because you are so overwhelmed with what is going on or maybe because you have let depression steal your joy, then you lose your strength. If you have ever lost your joy for whatever reason then you know that you don't have the strength to get up and go. You don't even have the desire to keep on going. We have a promise of God's joy and it isn't dependent on what is going on around you.

As a testimony of this I want to share with you what happened when I went with my aunt to the doctor when she received the diagnosis of lymph cancer. We came out of the doctor's office and we were sitting in the car when an overwhelming spirit of joy came on us. We were filled with joy and with hope. I remember saying, "I don't think that this is how we are supposed to feel." I was so wrong. Even in the face of the worst news you can rejoice.

That moment changed my life. From that time until the day that she died my aunt never let go of that hope and joy. She went through her sickness and

died with such a great victory that she was a light to all who knew her. That is what the joy of the Lord can do in your life. Romans 15:13, “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.”

We can also have supernatural peace and hope even in the middle of the worst times. Just like supernatural joy, supernatural peace and hope are not based on our circumstances but they are based in the knowledge that we can trust God to see us through. It is based on the knowledge of God’s Word and His promises. It is based on the knowledge of the promises that we have at His table of blessings. John 14:27 “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 16:33 “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.” Psalms 42:11 “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.” Psalms 119:114 “Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.” We don’t have to give up hope, peace, and joy just because there is a lot of turmoil and heartache in this world. Through God and His Word and the power of His Spirit, we can

hold on to hope, peace, and joy and we can walk with Him rejoicing through it all through faith in Him.

The Promise of Strength

We can find spiritual, mental, and physical strength at God's table of blessings. God will strengthen you when you no longer have the strength that you need to be able to make it. One of my favorite passages mentions this. Isaiah 40:38-41 "Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? There is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: 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."

We can be strong because He is strong and He is in us. He can carry us when we can't walk ourselves. We can rise up in His strength and do great and mighty things through Him. Isaiah 41:10 "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." Psalms 73:26 "My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever." Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

After I had covid, I didn't have the strength I needed to go on and do my job with the ministry. I struggled just to be able to get up and get dressed. Then I would get to the office. And God's wonderful strength would kick in and carry me through the day. I couldn't rely on my own strength, but I had learned through the years that this didn't matter. I had His strength in me through the power of His Spirit. I can't do anything on my own, but no matter, because He will carry me and enable to do whatever He sets before me to do. I can not only do those things, but I can do them with great victory.

The Promise of Authority Over satan

Another thing that we are given is authority over satan. We are given the right to put our foot on his head. We are given the right to be able to bind him. The disciples came to the Lord rejoicing because they found out that they had been given authority to bind satan and his helpers. Luke 10:19 "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." The Word of God gives us the same right. James 4:7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." 1 John 4:4 "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."

The devil is subject to us. He is under our authority. We can rise up above him and bind him. We are given victory over him. Ephesians 6:10-13 “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*. 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. Stand ye therefore...” Stand in the authority that God has given you. That is one of the things that you can find at God’s table of blessings.

The Promise of Being Able to Overcome the World

Not only can we overcome the devil, but we can overcome this world with all its mess, with all its struggles and hardships. We don’t have to allow it to destroy us. We can rise up above it with such victory that we can lead others to see that they can do the same. Why? Because the one in us has overcome the world. John 16:33 “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 5:4 “For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.” We can overcome the world because Christ has overcome. We can overcome the world through our

faith in Him and our faith in God's Word. This is a promise we can find at God's table of blessings.

The Promise of Deliverance

We are promised deliverance. God can set you free from your weaknesses, free from the enemy, and free from the world with its struggles. We can have freedom from sin and freedom from the darkness that is around us. We can be set free from depression, from fear, from anxiety, from anything that binds us up and gets us down. Here are promises for deliverance. One of my favorites is Psalms 32:7 "Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah." Psalms 34:17 "The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles." Psalms 34:4 "I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears." 2 Samuel 22:2 "And he said, The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer."

We are promised deliverance, freedom, and victory. John 8:32 "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." 2 Corinthians 3:17 "Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." John 8:36 "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." 1 John 5:4 "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith." Corinthians 15:57 "But

thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

The Promise of Healing

We are promised healing. In today’s world where sickness is the main topic everyone is talking about, God’s Word is still powerful and we can count on it. And God’s Word promises healing. In a world where the health care system is sadly in need of repair, it is good to know that we can rely on the Good Physician. The Bible says this in Isaiah 53:4-5 “Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, 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 stripes we are healed.” This verse is very interesting because it was written by Isaiah who lived 600 years before Jesus was born.

This verse referred to the stripes that Jesus received when the Roman soldiers beat Him with a cat of nine tails 39 times. How did Isaiah know that the Roman soldiers would do this? God had a plan from the beginning of it all to provide healing to His children. I don’t understand the details of how all that works, but I take God’s Word that through those stripes I am healed. Healing is definitely on our table of blessings. Matter of fact, one scripture refers to healing as being the bread of the saints

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Here are more promises for healing. Jeremiah 17:14 “Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.” James 5:14-15 “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.” Jeremiah 30:17 “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.” Jeremiah 33:6 “Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.” 1 Peter 2:24 “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.” Psalms 30:2 “O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.” Psalms 147:3 “He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.” Yes, healing is definitely on God’s table of blessings.

The Promise of Safety

One of the promises that we can find at God’s table of blessings is the promise of safety. Isn’t that a wonderful thing to know in today’s world. I have gotten in a habit when people say good bye I’ll say, “Take care, be safe.” And I really mean it because there is so much going on. We have promises of

safety. These promises are so great that we don't have to be afraid when we rest in God's promises.

Psalms 4:8 'I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.' Psalms 46:1 "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." We have a hedge of protection round about us. Remembering about how God can keep you safe can cause you to have no more sleepless night.

The Promise of Not Having to Be Afraid

This world is full of fear, and fearful people. Even God's children are bound up with fear. The Bible has over 366 scriptures that say "fear not". We don't have to be afraid. We are promised this over and over and over again.

Here are a few of these promises. Psalms 27:1 "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?" Isaiah 41:10 "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." Joshua 1:9 "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." 2 Timothy 1:7 "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. Psalms 27:1 "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?" Deuteronomy 31:6 "Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee." Psalms 56:3 "What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee." Luke 12:32 "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." So definitely I can say to God's children FEAR NOT.

Chapter 5
*What To Do With the Things
That Are Not at the Table*

God wrote this next chapter in my heart in a powerful way. Sometimes we have to learn the lessons found in God's Word through experiencing them. That is what happened to me. God put this thought in my mind. If something is not at God's table of blessings then we need to refuse to receive it in our lives. To explain what I mean by this I'll tell you what happened to me that really wrote this truth in my heart.

God's Table of Blessings came to me as a song. Just after the Lord gave me the words of the song I started feeling really bad. I was getting congestion in my chest and it came on me quick and hard. I could tell that I was headed into having a problem. I wasn't sure if it was covid or what but it was bad. God asked me, "Is this at my table of blessings?" Well, I definitely knew it was not. He then said, "If it isn't at my table, then refuse to receive it." So I started standing against it. Every time I felt a symptom (and at first there were a lot of them) I would say, "I refuse to accept this because it is not at my table." In my heart and mind I refused to accept it. In my spirit I stood against it and pushed it out of my body. I drew a line and refused to accept this sickness. Every time I did this I got a little better. You know it was not long at all until I was totally healed.

What is the lesson behind this? If something is coming against you and it is not on God's table of blessings, then refuse to accept it. Stand against it in your heart and mind and spirit. Refuse to accept it. Bind it and rebuke the devil who is bringing this against you. Remember that one thing that we have at our table is being able to take authority over the devil. Stand against the devil and refuse to allow him to have any say so over this area. Every time you see a symptom of the problem stand against it in your heart and in your mind. Soon there will be less and less symptoms of the problem and more and more symptoms of the victory over the situation. It won't be long before you have a testimony of the victory you have gained.

One of the things that you can do when you are standing against receiving something is to put up verses about the promises of God that cause you to know that this is one of your promises. If you are standing against receiving sickness, then everywhere you can put up little flash cards with verses about healing. If you are standing against receiving a financial disaster that is trying to come against you, then put up scriptures about God promising you prosperity and verses about how He will provide for you. If the enemy is trying to put depression against you, then put up scriptures about the joy of the Lord. To help with this, I am adding another of my books to the end of this book. It is full of scriptures that you

can use. I have a list of scriptures that you can use to make your stand against all kinds of things that aren't at God's table.

Don't give up and don't give in. Stand against receiving those things that aren't at God's table of blessings. It is kind of like dealing with a pesky kid that won't listen. One who is trying to start trouble. You have to take authority over them. You have to stand up and not give in until they get the idea and line up. If you give into them, then that makes the situation harder. So you can't give in-not for a second. Stand up against this thing until you see that it has turned into something that you would find at God's table of blessings.

Chapter 6

Being Able to Receive

To be able to explain the message that I want to get across in this chapter, I want to share with you my testimony. For many years I made sacrifices to serve the Lord. I sacrificed my finances, my time, my family, and my whole life and especially my health to do what I do for the Lord. I was conditioned to give of myself to the point of sacrifice. Because of the example that others around me set, I thought that this was the way that I needed to serve the Lord. I thought that only by giving of myself to this point was I serving Him.

There were many times through the years of my doing this that God tried to show me that this was wrong. That it wasn't of Him. I couldn't see it because after all I was choosing to do this for Him. It was a sacrifice that I was making for Him. I couldn't see that it was totally against God's word for me to do this. Living this way and doing these things nearly cost me my life.

God once showed me something that registered with me. Our ministry had moved into a new building. I was so worried about putting dings in the walls or scratches on the floor. God told me that I was taking much better care of that building than I was the taking care of the temple of my body which was where He dwelled.

That still didn't deliver me from this way of thinking. God healed me of many things, but He didn't heal me of the main things that had plagued me for many years. I began to seek Him to find out why He hadn't healed these things. He showed me that I wouldn't receive my healing because of how I was seeing myself and my service to God. I thought that total healing wasn't something that I could receive. Deep inside me I thought that sacrifice was what God expected of me, not healing and blessings. It was much more noble of me to suffer. I got totally messed up on what God was putting on my table. Because of that I was settling for what the devil was giving me instead of the abundant life that God had for me. The thing that this so hard to overcome was that I didn't even see that this was all going on in my life. Sometimes it is that way. We are the last ones to see what is going on inside of us.

I praise God that I can say that God delivered me from all this and I am well on my way to total healing. He used a huge blessing to set me free. Someone gave me a brand new car. This will really sound strange to you, but it was terribly hard for me to receive it. I almost didn't. Because down inside me, I thought that it was a bad thing to receive a blessing. Wow. What a sad way to be. I remember thinking to myself that a struggle to receive such a gift wasn't what I should be feeling, but I should be feeling joy. That helped me to understand all of this that I have been talking about. That was the

beginning of my deliverance. I gave it to God and He is setting me free from all of this. I love my car. It represents to me the table that I am seated at and the place that I have at that wonderful table.

I guess that you could say that the reason why I wrote this book was for my own deliverance. As I wrote this, God gave me a glimpse of how I needed to be and a glimpse of how I was. I pray that this book works in your life as much as it has worked in mine.

So if you are thinking that you have to sacrifice yourself in your struggle to serve the Lord, then something is wrong. Don't fall into the same trap that I fell in. God doesn't want us to sacrifice. He sent His Son to give us grace so that he could bless us. He longs to give us all the things that His wonderful table if we will just receive Him.

There was another thing that the devil had done to keep me from being able to feast at God's table of blessings. I had learned to shield myself from being hurt. In so doing I had shielded my heart away from love. As part of this I wouldn't accept help from others even the ones God sent to help me. Because of that I was hindering the growth of the ministry. It couldn't grow because without help I couldn't do it all.

I had such a bad self-esteem that I didn't think that I deserved anyone's love. I was afraid to receive it

because down in my heart I was afraid of being hurt. So I would go all around God's table of blessings and I couldn't see my place even though it was right in front of me. The devil had stolen my chair. God delivered me and now I am holding on to it. I know that it is mine. And nothing can steal my place away. I know that it isn't dependent on who I am but it is dependent on God's grace. I receive that chair not because I deserve it, but because it is a gift that God has given me. A gift of love.

Another thing that I have been guilty of is this. (It's time for another confession. I pray that through these moments of my sharing my mistakes that you realize that you are making some of the same ones and you see how to fix them.) There have been many times through the years that the devil was determined to stop our ministry. Now we are beginning to get glimpses of why this was so. We got tough in battling him. We thought we were smart in our battles. We became conditioned to fight him. Fighting him was almost like a mark of our courage.

We often talked about the devil fighting us and how we just had to put up with it. Because after all he was fighting God's people, and we were standing up for God and standing up for the truth and the anointing. We were standing up against him for the things that were right so it was to be expected that he would fight us. It was a badge of honor to have him fight us. After all the Bible says that in the last days this

would happen and in the last days he would try to wear out the saints. And gradually battle by battle by battle by battle he began to wear us down. If God hadn't intervened and delivered us from this way of thinking we would surely have been destroyed.

We have definitely learned from our mistakes. Now we don't put up with him. We don't allow him to take an inch. It is not a badge of honor to fight him. We don't fight him. We just take authority over him and chase him out of the things that he is trying to hinder. We don't give into him for a second. Through the victory of God's Word and His anointing and the power of His Spirit we don't give the devil one inch. When we begin to feel him creeping up on anything connected with the ministry, we bind him using the authority that God gives us in His Word. We place our feet firmly on his head and that ends the battle. Through God's discernment we can feel when he is starting to do his junk, and the Holy Ghost rises up in us and binds him. The Word of God rises up powerfully in us and we claim the promises of His Word. Through the blood of Jesus we make a stand.

It is not a badge of honor to put with the devil's mess but it is pure stupidity to live that way. Putting up with his mess for even a minute is dangerous. Through God's gift of discernment we can see when he starts to do his little tricks. The only thing that you need to do from that minute on is to talk to the devil about him being under your feet. Don't talk to

anyone else about what he is doing. Don't let him get the satisfaction of hearing that he is even bothering you. Just let him hear about the authority that God has given you over him. Authority that is given in God's Word, and through the blood of Jesus. Let the devil hear the sound of God's Holy Ghost praying through you in tongues binding him. When the Holy Ghost prays through you binding the devil that is a powerful prayer that stops him in his tracks.

Here are some scriptures that speak of our authority over the devil. This is something that we can definitely find at our place at God's table of blessings. I know that we have touched on this earlier but we need to spend more time on this. In Genesis 3:15 We first read about where the devil's place is. "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" His place is under our feet.

We don't have to run from the devil. James 4:7 says, "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." The devil's place is running from us. 1 Peter 5:8, "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..." We can resist Him in the faith and march on to victory. Mark 16:17, "And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with

new tongues.” I am convinced that this means casting out devils out of people who are possessed with them, but I am equally convinced that this means casting him out of the places in our lives or ministries where he is trying to take control.

Ephesians 1:18-22 tells about the power that God has given the church. I want to close this part of this chapter with this prayer that Paul prayed. “The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, 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.” The devil is definitely under your feet. Stand on His head. Don’t battle Him, just take the authority over him that Christ has given the church. Don’t wrestle with him. Stop him in his tracks, then march over him to the territory that God has given you to possess.

Closing

I know that by now you agree with me that God's table is an amazing table. Jesus paid the price to be able to provide these things for you. If He hadn't died, you would have to sit down at an empty table. Because He died for you, you can receive salvation and all of those blessings at His table that come with our salvation.

You may as well know that the devil will try to make you feel that you don't deserve a place at this wonderful table. He will tell you that you aren't special enough, perfect enough, or deserving enough to be able to sit there. When you think these things, remember the One who is serving the table. He is the one who died so that you could have these things. Will He deny you a place there? God knew you wouldn't deserve a place there so He sent His Son to die to provide you that place. That is what grace is all about. Don't let the devil cheat you out of being able to sit at Your Place at God's table of blessings by condemning you. You are more than welcome to sit there.

So there is a chair that has been provided for you at this amazing, miraculous table. You don't want to miss out on any of the blessings that you can feast on at this table, and remember we have only talked about a few of the blessings that you can find there. You have a place that is your chair. God set it there for

you. Forever you will have a place at this wonderful table.

God loves us all as individuals. That is why He created us all different. There is only one you. That is why He has a place for you that is yours. He has made us all to be special in Him. He longs to fellowship with you at this table. He has provided all these things for you and He longs for you to receive them. He welcomes you to this table where He has your chair set. He says this to you. “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.” Matthew 11:28-29h. He says “Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David.” Isaiah 55:30 “Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you.” James 4:8a.

Come and sit down and rest from the battles that you have endured. Child of God, He is still on His throne. Come rest in His presence. Come and sit down in your place at His wonderful, supernatural, miraculous table of blessings. He has pulled up your chair and there is a place for you. AMEN.

Promises from God's Word

*Scriptures to Guide
and Encourage You*

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How to Unlock God's Promises

When you read God's promises in His Word, it is important to remember that most of God's promises are unlocked by obedience. I was talking with someone who told me that she had prayed, and prayed for God to help her, but He had not answered her. Because of that, she did not believe that He was real. She was not saved. She was not walking in obedience to God, letting His Spirit lead her. Her life style was a mess, and most of the problems she had was because of that. She was saying that she did not believe God was real because He did not help her. My point is this. Many times we do not receive the promises of God because we are not obedient to God. If we have not been saved, and we are not His child, or if we are His child, but we are not obedient, we tie God's hands from being able to work in our behalf.

Many of His promises state things that we must do to unlock them to work in our lives. Here are two such promises. Psalm 119:165 promises that great peace will come to those which love God's laws. On the other hand, if we do not love God's laws (we can infer from this that if we don't obey them then we don't love them), then we will not have peace. Another promises with a condition of obedience is Isaiah 26:3 which promises us that God will keep us in His peace when our mind is stayed on Him. In other words, if we fail to keep our mind stayed on Him, and we concentrate instead on all the negative

things around us, and on our worries, then we won't have peace.

I am not saying that you have to be perfect for God's promises to work in your life. I am saying that we need to be obedient, yield to Him, love Him with all our heart, and walk with Him. When we do, we will be in the right place at the right time to receive from Him.

It is my prayer that you find the blessings of God's wonderful promises for you...

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When we are in need of abundance, for our physical or for our spiritual needs. God promises abundance, more than enough for both:

In John 10:10 Jesus promises that He comes to give us an abundant life full of good things.

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

In 2 Corinthians 9:8, we are promised that God will give us grace to be able to be sufficient in all things needed to do good works for Him.

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

Ephesians 3:20 promises us that God is able to do way more than what we ask or even think according to His power that works in us.

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.

Philippians 4:19 promises that He will supply all our needs according to His riches not just on earth, but His riches in glory. These are given to us through Jesus.

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

When you need answers:

Psalms 91:15 promises that when we call on God, He will answer:

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.

Isaiah 58:9 promises us that if we will take the yokes off us (take off the things that bind us keeping us away from God), then he will answer when we cry:

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.

Isaiah 65:24 promises that before we call He will answer:

And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.

Luke: 11:9-10 promises that when we seek the Lord and His Spirit we will find them:

And I say unto you, 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.

John 15:7 promises us that when our life is in God, if He is the center of our life and His Word abides in us, He will answer us and what we ask will be done.

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

When we need spiritual armor to guard us against the enemy, the devil:

Romans 13:12 promises that when the devil is making things dark, we can have armor of light that protects us:

The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

Ephesians 6:11-17 promises us that we have the whole armor of God:

Put on the whole armor 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 armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the

preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, where with ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

When you need comfort:

Isaiah 66:13 promises that God will comfort you:
As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you...

Luke 7:13 promises that Jesus has compassion (tender care) for those who are in need of comfort:
And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not.

John14:1 promises God will not leave us without comfort:

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me

2 Corinthians 1:3 promises that God is a God of comfort who will comfort us so that we can comfort others:

Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any

trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

When you are feeling confused:

1 Corinthians 14:33 tells us that God is not the author of confusion. We know by this that satan is trying to defeat us, and we can bind the enemy when we feel His confusion:

For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.

Proverbs 3:5-6 tells us that if we trust in the Lord with all our heart, and let Him direct our paths, we won't be confused:

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.

Isaiah 30:21 tells us to obey God and we won't be confused:

And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

Philippians 4:6-9 tells us a way to avoid the confusion that comes from being so stressed out that you are in a state of confusion:

Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.

When you are feeling condemned:

Romans 8:1 promises us that if we walk after the Spirit and we are in Jesus, then we will not have condemnation:

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

II Corinthians 5:17 promises that old things are passed away:

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

John 3:17-18 promises us that God sent His son to forgive, not to condemn us:

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.

Isaiah 55:7 promises that if we forsake our wickedness, and our unrighteousness, God will abundantly pardon us:

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

When you are convicted, when God is letting you know that you have done wrong:

Psalm 40:12-13 says how David felt when he was convicted, and what he asked of God:

For innumerable evils have compassed me about: mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of mine head: therefore my heart faileth me. Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me: O LORD, make haste to help me.

Psalms 51:1-3 and 7-14 tells what we should do when we are convicted:

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice. Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. 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. Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness. O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise. For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

When we need confidence:

Philippians 4:13 promises us that through Christ we can do everything:

I can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth me.

Hebrews 10:35 tells us not to throw away our confidence:

Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.

1 John 5:14 promises we can have confidence in our prayers:

And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us.

2 Corinthians 7:16 promises we can have confidence through Christ:

I rejoice therefore that I have confidence in you in all things.

When we need counseling:

Psalm 16:7 promises that God will counsel us:

I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.

Psalm 73:24 promises that God's counsel will lead us to heaven:

Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.

Isaiah 28:29 promises that God is an excellent counselor:

This also cometh forth from the LORD of hosts, which is wonderful in counsel, and excellent in working.

When we need courage:

Deuteronomy 31:6 promises us that God will go with us and give us courage:

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.

Ezra 10:4 tells us to be of good courage and do whatever it is that God tells us to do:

Arise; for this matter belongeth unto thee: we also will be with thee: be of good courage, and do it.

Psalm 27:14 promises courage:

Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

Psalm 31:24 promises courage, hope, and strength:
Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.

When you feel like darkness is all around you:

Matthew 6:23 tells us that darkness can come around us because we are letting so many things into our life that we crowd out God:

But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!

John 3:19 tells us that sometimes darkness is around us because we choose to have sin, and the world's darkness instead of God's light:

And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

Psalm 82:5 tells us that sometimes darkness is around us because we are ignorant of God's light and how to walk in it:

They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course.

Matthew 5:14 promises that not only can we

have light but we can also be a light to the world:
*Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an
 hill cannot be hid.*

John 12:35 tells us that we can have light when we
 walk with Jesus:

*Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the
 light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest
 darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in
 darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.*

Ephesians 5:14 promises that Christ will give you
 light:

*Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and
 arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.*

When we face death:

Psalms 23:4 promises us we don't have to be afraid:
*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.*

Psalms 116:15 promises us that the details of our
 death are precious to the Lord:

*Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his
 saints.*

Proverbs 14:32 promises us hope in our death:

The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous hath hope in his death.

Romans 14:8 promises us that we need to remember that we are the Lords:

For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

Philippians 1:20-21 says that death is gain:

According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

Hebrews 11:13-16 promises us that we will receive God's promises when we die:

These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

When you need deliverance, need to be set free from things that would destroy you:

Psalms 91:3 promises deliverance from things that try to destroy you:

Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

2 Timothy 4:18 promises deliverance when people try to do evil things against you:

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.

Isaiah 46:4 promises He will deliver:

And even to your old age I am he; and even to hoar hairs will I carry you: I have made, and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver you.

Hebrews 2:15 *And deliver them who through*

fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

2 Corinthians 1:10

Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that he will yet deliver us.

When you are depressed:

Psalm 30:5 promises that we don't have to continue in mourning but God promises joy:

For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

Isaiah 61:3 promises that God will give us joy for mourning:

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.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 promises comfort so that we comfort others:

Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

Philippians 4:7-8 promises that we can have joy if we concentrate on certain things:

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest,

whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

Psalms 147:3 promises healing for our hearts:
He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

Luke 18:1 promises that prayer helps us not to lose heart:
And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint.

Nehemiah 8:10 promises the joy of the Lord will be our strength:
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.

Isaiah 51:11 promises that sorrow will flee away:
Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

When you feel discouraged:

Isaiah 41:13 promises that God will encourage us:
*For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand,
 saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.*

Matthew 14:27 tells us to be of good cheer:
*But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of
 good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.*

Acts 27:22
And now I exhort you to be of good cheer...

When you are dissatisfied:

Philippians 4:12-13 promises us that we can be satisfied no matter what state we are in:
*I know both how to be abased, and I know how to
 abound: everywhere and in all things I am instructed
 both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and
 to suffer need.*

Jeremiah 31:14 promises we can be satisfied:
*And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness,
 and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness,
 saith the LORD.*

Psalms 107:9 promises us that God will fill our hungry souls when we are hungry for goodness:

For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

When we are doubting God:

2 Peter 3:9 promises that God is not slack concerning His promises for us:

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.

Romans 10:17 promises that hearing God's Word will grow our faith:

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

I Peter 4:12-13 promises that even our fiery trials will turn out for joy:

Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

Jude 20 tells us to pray in the Holy Ghost (pray in tongues when we have the Baptism of the Holy Ghost), to strengthen our faith:

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost.

When we are feeling empty:

John 15:11 promises we can be full of joy:
These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

Ephesians 4:18 promises we can be full of the Spirit:
... but be filled with the Spirit;
Colossian 1:9 promises we can be full of wisdom, and understanding:
For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

John 1:16 promises we can receive His fullness:
And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace.

Ephesians 1:22-23 promises we as His body can be full of all the fullness in Him:
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.

Epheisans 4:13 promises we can have the fullness of Christ:

Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

When we need encouragement:

Isaiah 41:13 promises God's help:

For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

Matthew 14:27 promises with Jesus we can be encouraged:

But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.

Isaiah 43:1-3 promises encourage us:

But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. 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. For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour...

When you need endurance:

Job 17:9 promises endurance to the righteous:
The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands shall be stronger and stronger.

John 15:9 promises we can continue in His love:
As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

Galatians 6:9 promises that if we continue on, we will reap:
And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

Hebrews 12:1-2 promises Jesus will be our author and finisher of our faith:
Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

I Peter 1:13 promises hope for the end:

Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

Revelations 3:11 promises a crown for those which hold fast:

Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

When we have enemies:

Psalms 18:48 promises us God will lift us up above our enemies:

He delivereth me from mine enemies: yea, thou liftest me up above those that rise up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.

Isaiah 62:8 promises our enemies will not take our blessings:

The LORD hath sworn by his right hand, and by the arm of his strength, Surely I will no more give thy corn to be meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the stranger shall not drink thy wine, for the which thou hast laboured: But they that have gathered it shall eat it, and praise the LORD; and they that have brought it together shall drink it in the courts of my holiness.

Luke 1:71 promises that we will be saved from our enemies:

That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us.

When you are fearful, or afraid:

2 Timothy 1:7 promises that we can have power, love, and a sound mind instead of fear:

For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Romans 8:15 promises us that we can have the love of our heavenly Father that will keep us away from fear:

For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

1 John 4:18 promises us that God's love will keep away fear:

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.

Psalm 91:10-11 promises us His angels will keep us:

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.

Proverbs 3:25-26 promises us the Lord can be our confidence:

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.

Psalm 56:11 promises that when we put our trust in God we don't have to be afraid of men:

In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

Psalm 23:4-5 promises us that when we face death or our enemies, we don't have to be afraid:

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.

When we are in financial trouble:

3 John 2 promises God wishes us to prosper:

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

Psalm 37:25 promises God won't forsake us:

I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

Psalm 34:10 promises that if we seek the Lord we won't want for any good thing:

The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.

Deuteronomy 28:2 promises that if we listen and obey God's voice, we will be blessed:

And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

Luke 6:38 promises that when we give, we will receive abundantly more than what we give:

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.

Malachi 3:10 promises that if we pay tithes, God will bless what we give:

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.

Joshua 1:8 promises that the way to be successful and prosperous is to keep God's Word:
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.

When we need forgiveness:

Psalms 103:3 promises forgiveness:
Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases.

Acts 5:31 promises repentance and forgiveness:
Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

Ephesians 1:7 promises forgiveness according to riches of God's grace:
In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace.

I John 1:9
If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to

forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

When we need to forgive:

Matthew 6:14

For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

Mark 11:25

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.

Ephesians 4:32

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

When you need friends, what to look for when you choose them and why they are important to have:

Proverbs 17:17

A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

Proverbs 18:24

A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

Proverbs 27:10

Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: for better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour. For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up.

When we are grieving, when someone has died:

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14 promises our loved ones who die in Christ will rise again:

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

Matthew 5:4 promises comfort when we mourn:

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Isaiah 61:1-3 promises joy for mourning:

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.

1 Corinthians 15:55-57 promises that death has lost its sting:

O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

When we need to grow spiritually:

2 Peter 3:18 promises we can grow in knowledge:

But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever.

1 Peter 2:2 promises we can grow in God's Word:

As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby.

1 Timothy 4:15 promises that if we meditate on God's Word, we will progress:

Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all.

Ephesians 3:14-19 promises ways that we can grow:

For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end.

Colossians 1:9-11 promises more ways that we can grow:

For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom

and spiritual understanding; That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness.

When we need guidance:

Psalm 5:8 promises He will make His way straight before us:

Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.

Psalm 25:9 promises He will guide us in His way:

The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.

Psalm 73:24 promises He will guide us to glory:

Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.

Isaiah 30:21 promises He will speak and guide us:

And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

Isaiah 42:16 promises He will guide us and not forsake us:

And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them.

Luke 1:79 promises He will guide us into the ways of peace:

To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

John 16:13 promises He will guide us into truth:

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.

When we need healing:

Isaiah 53:5 promises healing:

But He (Jesus) 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.

Proverbs 4:22 promises God's Word brings healing:

For They (God's Words) are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.

Jeremiah 30:17 promises that He will restore our health:

For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord...

Jeremiah 17:14 promises God is a healer:

Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.

Exodus 15:26 promises God is a healer:

...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 commandment, 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.

Psalms 41:4 promises He will heal our soul:

I said, Lord, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee.

When we feel hopeless:

Romans 15:4 promises us the Word of God can bring us hope:

For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

Proverbs 14:32 promises that we can even have hope in our death:

The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous hath hope in his death.

Psalms 31:24 promises when we hope in the Lord He will strengthen us:

Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.

Psalms 33:18 promises we can have hope in His mercy:

Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy.

When we need instruction (teaching):

John 16:13 promises He will guide us into truth:

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.

Psalms 71:17 promises God will teach young people who will also pass it on:

O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works. Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed thy strength unto this

generation, and thy power to every one that is to come.

2 Chronicles 36:16 tells dangers that can come when we mock (disrespect) instruction:

But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no remedy.

Proverbs 1:7 tells us that fools despise instruction, they don't listen and do what is taught:

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

When we need joy:

John 15:11 promises us that Jesus wants our joy to be full:

These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

Nehemiah 8:10 promises the joy of the Lord will be our strength:

... for this day is holy unto our LORD: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

Psalms 16:11 promises that in God's presence there is 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.

Psalms 30:5 promises weeping will be for a night, but joy will come:

... weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

Psalms 126:5-6 promises that when we sow in tears, we will reap in joy:

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.

Isaiah 12:3 promises that salvation will bring us joy:

Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.

Isaiah 35:10 promises us everlasting joy:

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.

When you feel deserted, when loved ones desert you:

Psalm 27:10 promises He will be with you when others forsake you:

When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take me up.

Isaiah 62:4 promises you won't stay forsaken if you stay in Him:

Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken....

Isaiah 41:17 promises He won't forsake us even though others do:

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them. I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.

Isaiah 49:15-16 promises God will not forsake you, you can know this because the nail prints in His hands are for you:

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. Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands; thy walls are continually before me.

Samuel 12:22 promises not to forsake you:

For the LORD will not forsake his people for his great name's sake: because it hath pleased the LORD to make you his people.

When we have marriage problems:

Ephesians 4:31-32 says to put away anger, be kind and forgiving:

Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

1 Peter 3:1-7 gives good advise to follow:

Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear. Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands: Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement. Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the

weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

When we need a miracle:

Ephesians 3:20 promises us that God is able to way more than what we ask or even think according to His power that works in us.

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.

When we need peace:

Psalm 119:165 promises that great peace will come to those who love God's laws:

Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them.

Isaiah 26:3 promises us that God will keep us in His peace when our mind is stayed on Him:

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

Romans 8:6 promises that if we are spiritually minded we will have peace:

For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

Romans 14:17 promises that the Holy Ghost will bring us peace:

For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Galatians 5:22 promises us that part of the nature of the Spirit of God is peace, when He dwells in our hearts and lives in us, and we submit to Him, we will have His peace:

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith;

John 14:27 promises that the world and becoming all tangled up in what the world is tangled up in cannot give us peace, but Jesus can:

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.

When you are persecuted for Christ:

Acts 5:41 promises that we can rejoice when we are persecuted:

And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.

Romans 8:16-17 promises us as children of God that when we suffer with Him, we will be glorified with Him:

The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

Hebrews 11:25 promises it is better to suffer with God than to go back to sin:

Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season.

1 Peter 2:20 tells us that if we go through things because of our faults, shouldn't we take persecution with even more patience:

For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God.

1 Peter 5:10 promises God will use our suffering to make us better in Him:

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.

When we need protection:

2 Chronicles 16:9 promises that the Lord is watching over us, protecting us:

For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him....

Psalms 34:7 promises that the angels will protect those that fear (respect) the Lord, and it promises that when we trust Him we will be blessed:

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.

Psalms 91:4-6 promises He will shield us under His wings:

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. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

Zechariah 2:5 promises God will be around you:

For I, saith the LORD, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her.

When we need a purpose:

Acts 26:16 promises we have a purpose to be a witness:

But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;

Psalm 143:10 promises doing God's will leads us to be upright:

Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God: thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness.

Matthew 12:50 promises that when we do the will of God, we are Jesus' brothers and sisters in Him:

For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

Ephesians 6:6-7 says to do the will of the Lord with all our heart:

Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men.

When we are tempted:

1 Corinthians 10:13 promises that God is faithful to make a way so that you can escape temptation if you will take that way that He makes:

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.

Hebrews 2:18 promises Jesus knows about temptation, and will help you:

For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.

2 Peter 2:9 promises God knows how to deliver the godly from temptation:

The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

Revelations 3:10-12 promises that there is a great reward for those that overcome:

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. Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I

will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

When we need to be restored, made new in Christ:

Psalms 51:12 promises God will uphold us:
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

Hosea 14:4 promises God will restore the backsliders:
I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him.

Joel 2:25 promises to restore what you have lost Spiritually and physically:
And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten...

When we need salvation:

Romans 10:9-10 tells us how to be saved:
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.

When we need sanctification, when we need to have God clean us up on the inside:

John 17:17 promises that when we keep God's Word it can cleanse us:

Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

1 Corinthians 1:30 promises sanctification (cleaning us) through Jesus:

But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.

2 Timothy 2:20-21 promises we can be vessels of honor if we allow God to sanctify us, clean us up continually:

But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.

1 Peter 1:2 promises the Spirit of God will sanctify us unto obedience:

Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto

obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

When we are seeking God:

Deuteronomy 4:29 promises that when we seek God with our whole heart, we will find Him:
But if from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

Isaiah 55:6 promises that if we seek Him, we will find Him when we are ready to change:
Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Luke 11:10 promises that when we seek Him, we will find Him:
For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Acts 17:27 promises He is not far from us:

That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us.

When we need strength:

2 Corinthians 12:9 promises us that when we are weak, God's strength will be sufficient:
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.

Isaiah 40:29-1 promises that we can rise up like eagles:
He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: 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.

Isaiah 41:10 promises God will strengthen us:
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.

Ephesians 3:16 promises God's Spirit will strengthen us in our inner man:

That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man.

When we have troubles:

Nahum 1:7 promises He will help us in our trouble:

The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.

2 Corinthians 4:8-9 promises our trouble won't destroy us:

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.

John 14:1 promises when we believe in God and Jesus, our hearts don't have to be troubled:

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

Psalm 138:7 promises when we walk in trouble He will save us:

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.

Romans 8:28 promises all things will work out for our good, even the really bad things that happen:
And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

Peter 5:7 promises we can cast our cares on Him:
Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

When we need to understand God's ways:

Isaiah 55:8-9 tells us His ways are not our ways:
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Jeremiah 33:3 promises that He will show us His ways:
Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.

Psalms 18:30 promises God's ways are perfect, and we can trust Him, even though we may not understand all His ways:
As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him.

When we need wisdom:

Isaiah 11:2 promises that when we need wisdom, He will supply:

And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD

1 Corinthians 1:24 promises us wisdom of God:

But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.

Proverbs 8:11 promises us that God's wisdom is precious:

For wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.

What does the Bible say:

About God:

James 1:17

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

Isaiah 55:8-9

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Luke 16:15

And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

Isaiah 41:17

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.

Deuteronomy 32:4

He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his

ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

I John 1:5

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

Psalm 62:6-7

He only is my rock and my salvation: he is my defence; I shall not be moved. In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God.

Romans 15:13

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.

About The Bible:

Psalm 119:89

My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word.

Matthew 5:18

For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

I Peter 1:25

But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

Deuteronomy 8:3

And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.

Jeremiah 15:16

Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.

II Timothy 3:16

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

II Peter 1:21

For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

Psalms 119:11

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might

not sin against thee.

Psalm 119:105

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

I John 5:13

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.

About Jesus:

1 John 4:9-10

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

Ephesians 3:17-19

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

1 John 1:0

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness

Philippians 2:9

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name.

John 14:27

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.

Romans 3:22

Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference.

John 8:32-26

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 15:4-5&9

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. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

About Salvation:

John 3:16-17

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.

Romans 10:9-10 tells us how to be saved:

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.

Ephesians 2:8-10

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. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

2 Timothy 1:9

Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to

his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.

Titus 3:5-6

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;

Luke 6:46

And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

Romans 6:14-16

What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.

Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

Romans 12:1-2

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice,

holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. 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.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

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.

Mark 12:30

And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.

