Today I want to launch into a new series regarding the Promises of God.

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The promises of God are a foundational theme throughout the Bible,

A wide array of commitments and assurances God has made to His people.

These promises reveal His character, His intentions for humanity, and His unwavering faithfulness.

A promise is a declaration or assurance that one will do something or that a particular thing will happen.

## Key Aspects of a Promise

**Commitment**: A promise involves a firm commitment to fulfill a stated action or outcome.

**Expectation**: When a promise is made, it creates an expectation in the person to whom the promise is given that the commitment will be honored - This is what we call faith. The trust that God will do as He has promised.

**Obligation**: A promise often carries a sense of moral or legal obligation. The promisor (the one making the promise) is expected to fulfill the promise, and failing to do so can result in disappointment or a breach of trust. Heb 6:13 (TPT) Now when God made a promise to Abraham, since there was no one greater than himself, he swore an oath on his own integrity to keep the promise as sure as God exists!

**Assurance**: Promises provide assurance and confidence to the promisee (the one receiving the promise) that the promisor will act as declared.

- The Greater the Promise the Greater the Commitment.
- The Greater the Promise the Greater the Expectation
- The Greater the Promise the Greater the Obligation Jer 1:12 (NAS95)
   Then the LORD said to me, "You have seen well, for I am watching over My word to perform it."

The Greater the Promise the Greater the Confidence.

### Areas of God's Promises

## 1. Promises of Salvation and Redemption

the promise of salvation and redemption through Jesus Christ is the gateway into all there other promises of God.

In the Old Testament, this promise was foreshadowed in prophecies about the coming Messiah.

In the New Testament, this promise is fulfilled through Jesus, who became the mediator of a better covenant, as highlighted in Hebrews 8:6. This new covenant is based on grace, not law, and offers eternal life to all who believe (John 3:16).

## 2. Promises of Provision

God promises to provide for the needs of His people. Philippians 4:19 says, "And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

This encompasses physical, financial, emotional, and spiritual needs. God's provision is seen throughout the Bible, from the manna provided to the Israelites in the wilderness to Jesus feeding the five thousand.

## 3. Promises of Peace

Jesus promises a peace that surpasses all understanding. In John 14:27, He says, "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful."

This peace is a deep, abiding peace that remains even in the midst of life's storms.

## 4. Promises of Presence

God promises to be with His people always. In Matthew 28:20, Jesus assures His disciples, "I am with you always, even to the end of the age." This promise is echoed throughout Scripture, emphasizing that God will never leave nor forsake His people (Deuteronomy 31:6).

## 5. Promises of Power

Believers are promised the power of the Holy Spirit. Acts 1:8 says, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." This power enables believers to live out their faith and carry out God's work.

## 6. Promises of Protection

God promises protection for His people. Psalm 91 is a powerful chapter that details God's protection, stating in verse 4, "He will cover you with His pinions, and under His wings you may seek refuge; His faithfulness is a shield and bulwark."

# 7. Promises of Future Glory

Believers are promised a glorious future with God. Revelation 21:4 paints a beautiful picture of this future, stating, "He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away."

# Living in the Promises of God

Understanding and embracing these promises can transform your life. They offer hope, encouragement, and a solid foundation in an everchanging world.

2Pe 1:4 (TPT) As a result of this, he has given you magnificent promises that are beyond all price, so that through the power of these tremendous promises you can experience partnership with the divine nature, by which you have escaped the corrupt desires that are of the world.

The promises are the pathway to partnership. Divine partnership

It is by believing the promises. And allowing our belief to affect our behavior so that we act as if the promises were true and that God is not a liar. That we enter into partnership with the King of Heaven

2Co 1:20 (NLT) For all of God's promises have been fulfilled in Christ with a resounding "Yes!" And through Christ, our "Amen" (which means "Yes") ascends to God for his glory.

"What a great Christ to have "all the promises of God" within himself!

The range of the promises seems to be infinite, and yet Christ is great enough to be the circumference that shuts them all in."

- If our response to His YES is, Maybe we are not partners
- If our response to His YES is, I don't believe that we are not partners
- But when our response to His YES is AMEN we are partners in the Kingdom business.

As we meditate on God's promises, they remind us of His faithfulness and His unwavering love for us.

ITS IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT THESE PROMISES ARE NOT JUST ABSTRACT CONCEPTS BUT ARE MEANT TO BE EXPERIENCED AND LIVED OUT DAILY.

They are a testament to God's enduring commitment to His people, reflecting His desire to bless, guide, and sustain you throughout your journey.

# Part 1: The Promise of Salvation and Redemption

Hebrews 8:6 (NASB95) - "But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, by as much as He is also the mediator of a better covenant, which has been enacted on better promises."

## It all begins with Redemption!

- 1. THE NEED FOR REDEMPTION:
  - \* What was God's very first promise?

Gen 3:15 (AMPC) And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her Offspring; He will bruise and tread your head underfoot, and you will lie in wait and bruise His heel. [Gal 4:4]

This is referred to as the "First Gospel"

Man's greatest need. The separation the severing of that relationship - man had need of a Redeemer.

Gods first promise was that HE would provide the Redeemer.

\* Explain the sacrificial system of the Old Testament as a foreshadowing of Christ's ultimate sacrifice.

#### 2. THE FULFILLMENT IN CHRIST:

Gal 4:4-7 (TPT) But when that era came to an end and the time of fulfillment had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the written law. [5] Yet all of this was so that he would redeem and set free all those held hostage to the written law so that we would receive our freedom and a full legal adoption as his children. [6] And so that we would know for sure that we are his true children, God released the Spirit of Sonship into our hearts—moving us to cry out intimately, "My Father! You're our true Father!" [7] Now we're no longer living like slaves under the law, but we enjoy being God's very own sons and daughters! And because we're his, we can access everything our Father has—for we are heirs of God through Jesus, the Messiah!

The Promise of Redemption, like all the other promises of God are of no value if not believed and acted upon.

#### IF WE VALUED THEM MORE PERHAPS WE WOULD BELIEVE THEM BETTER?

Psa 119:50 (NLT) Your promise revives me; it comforts me in all my troubles. Heb 9:15 (TPT) So Jesus is the One who has enacted a new covenant with a new relationship with God so that those who accept the invitation will receive the eternal inheritance he has promised to his heirs. For he died to release us from the guilt of the violations committed under the first covenant.

#### 3. THE GIFT OF GRACE:

Eph 2:8-10 (TPT) For it was only through this wonderful grace that we believed in him. Nothing we did could ever earn this salvation, for it was the gracious gift from God that brought us to Christ! [9] So no one will ever be able to boast, for salvation is never a reward for good works or human striving. [10] We have become his poetry, a re-created people that will fulfill the destiny he has given each of us, for we are joined to Jesus, the Anointed One. Even before we were born, God planned in advance our destiny and the good works we would do to fulfill it!

The Law was what man needed to see himself for what he was.

Grace was needed so man could become more than who he was.

To be aware that you are not good is good for it makes you aware of you need for Christ.

The law was never intended to make man right it could not, it was intended to show man how impossible it was for him apart from God to ever be as righteous as God required.

Jhn 1:17 (NAS95) For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ.

Jhn 1:14 (NAS95) And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

- \*For every need God has made a promise
- \*For every battle God has made a promise
- \*For every pain God has made a promise.

Find it! Commit it to your heart make it your own personal promise and then let it manifest in your life.

Jer 1:12 (AMPC) .....for I am alert and active, watching over My word to perform it.