

God is For Us

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I. The Lord is With You

A. BEGINS AS AN OBSERVATION

2 Chronicles 9:20 (NIV®)

In earlier times Phinehas son of Eleazar was in charge of the gatekeepers, and **the LORD was with him.**

Genesis 26:28 (NIV®) (Abraham)

They answered, "We saw clearly that **the LORD was with you**; so we said, 'There ought to be a sworn agreement between us'--between us and you. Let us make a treaty with you

Genesis 39:2-3 (NIV®)

² **The LORD was with Joseph** and he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master.

³ When his master saw that **the LORD was with him** and that the LORD gave him success in everything he did,

Genesis 39:20-21 (NIV®)

²⁰ Joseph's master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined. But while Joseph was there in the prison, ²¹ **the LORD was with him**; he showed him kindness and granted him favor in the eyes of the prison warden.

Joshua 6:27 (NIV®)

So **the LORD was with Joshua**, and his fame spread throughout the land.

Judges 2:18 (NASB®)

When the LORD raised up judges for them, **the LORD was with the judge** and delivered them from the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge; for the LORD was moved to pity by their groaning because of those who oppressed and afflicted them.

Judges 6:12-13 (NASB®) (Gideon)

¹² The angel of the LORD appeared to him and said to him, "**The LORD is with you**, O valiant warrior."

¹³ Then Gideon said to him, "O my lord, if the LORD is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where are all His miracles which our fathers told us about, saying, 'Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt?' But now the LORD has abandoned us and given us into the hand of Midian."

1 Samuel 3:19 (NASB®)

Thus Samuel grew and **the LORD was with him** and let none of his words fail.

1 Samuel 18:12-15 (NIV®)

¹² **Saul was afraid of David**, because **the LORD was with David** but had left Saul. ¹³ So he sent David away from him and gave him command over a thousand men, and David led the troops in their campaigns. ¹⁴ In everything he did he had great success, because **the LORD was with him.** ¹⁵ When Saul saw how successful he was, **he was afraid of him.**



2 Chronicles 15:2-7 (NASB®) (King Asa)

² "Listen to me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin: **the LORD is with you** when you are with Him. And if you seek Him, He will let you find Him; but if you forsake Him, He will forsake you. ³ "For many days Israel was without the true God and without a teaching priest and without law. ⁴ "But in their distress they turned to the LORD God of Israel, and they sought Him, and He let them find Him. ⁵ "In those times there was no peace to him who went out or to him who came in, for many disturbances afflicted all the inhabitants of the lands. ⁶ "Nation was crushed by nation, and city by city, for God troubled them with every kind of distress. ⁷ "But you, be strong and do not lose courage, for there is reward for your work."

2 Chronicles 17:3-4 (NIV®)

³ **The LORD was with Jehoshaphat** because in his early years he walked in the ways his father David had followed. He did not consult the Baals ⁴ but sought the God of his father and followed his commands rather than the practices of Israel.

2 Kings 18:7 (NIV®) (Hezekiah)

And **the LORD was with him**; he was successful in whatever he undertook. He rebelled against the king of Assyria and did not serve him.

Isaiah 8:10 (NIV®)

Devise your strategy, but it will be thwarted; propose your plan, but it will not stand, **for God is with us**. (Heb = *Immanuel*)

Acts 11:19-21 (NASB®)

¹⁹ So then those who were scattered because of the persecution that occurred in connection with Stephen made their way to Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except to Jews alone.

²⁰ But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who came to Antioch and *began* speaking to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. ²¹ And **the hand of the Lord was with them**, and a large number who believed turned to the Lord.

Luke 1:63-66 (NASB®)

⁶³ And he asked for a tablet and wrote as follows, "His name is John." And they were all astonished. ⁶⁴ And at once his mouth was opened and his tongue *loosed*, and he *began* to speak in praise of God. ⁶⁵ Fear came on all those living around them; and all these matters were being talked about in all the hill country of Judea. ⁶⁶ All who heard them kept them in mind, saying, "What then will this child *turn out to be*?" **For the hand of the Lord was certainly with him.**

B. LIVES AS A PROMISE

Isaiah 7:14 (NASB®)

Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and **she will call His name Immanuel.**

Matthew 1:21-25 (NIV®)

²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³ "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and **they will call him Immanuel**"--which means, "**God with us.**" ²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. ²⁵ But he had no union with her until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

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Psalms 118:6 (NASB®)

The LORD is for me; I will not fear; What can man do to me?

Psalm 56:9-11 (NASB®)

⁹ Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call; **This I know, that God is for me.** ¹⁰ In God, *whose* word I praise, In the LORD, *whose* word I praise, ¹¹ In God I have put my trust, I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?

Hebrews 13:5-6 (NASB®)

⁵ for He Himself has said, "I WILL NEVER DESERT YOU, NOR WILL I EVER FORSAKE YOU," ⁶ so that we confidently say, "**THE LORD IS MY HELPER, I WILL NOT BE AFRAID. WHAT WILL MAN DO TO ME?**"

C. IT BECOMES A SPOKEN BLESSING

2 Thessalonians 3:16 (NASB®)

Now may the Lord of peace Himself continually grant you peace in every circumstance. **The Lord be with you all!**

Romans 15:33 (NASB®)

Now **the God of peace be with you all.** Amen.

Hebrews 13:20-21 (NIV®)

²⁰ **May the God of peace**, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, ²¹ **equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him**, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, we humble ourselves before You today to acknowledge You as the creator of all things. You have made us, we are the sheep of Your pasture. Through Your truth we have found freedom. You have given us a home in a place of liberty. Give us the wisdom to maintain what has been entrusted to us. Let the darkness be pushed back and the light break forth in this season. Awaken Your people in this generation. You are our hope and our great redeemer. Let the name of Jesus be exalted and all who oppose Him stumble, in Jesus' name, amen.