

TAKE HOME SHEET



Series: It's Fine, I'm Fine,
Everything is Fine
Message: God Really Sees You
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One of the amazing things about faith in Jesus, is everyone who chooses to follow Him has Jesus as their brother and God as their Father. There are no cliques, classes, insiders or outsiders. As we go through this new series, we will discover much of what is available to us as His children.

We can completely trust God to make good on the promises He makes to us. Jesus is the reason. In Him, we see God's love for us on full display. The following passages remind us of what God did for us in sending Jesus. Read through them several times. Underline or highlight words or phrases that stand out to you or ones you would like to dig into a little deeper. [If you don't have one, a good study Bible will help you explore the verses. A very good one is The Quest Study Bible.]

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Colossians 1:15-22 (NLT)

³ By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence. ⁴ And because of his glory and excellence, he has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share his divine nature and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires. ⁵ In view of all this, make every effort to respond to God's promises.

2 Peter 1:3-5 (NLT)

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT – New Living Translation

MESSAGE NOTES



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Promise (def): personal statement of what you definitely will or won't do

To understand God's promises, we need to be clear about two things:

- Who God really is
- What His promises really are

He is utterly trustworthy, and this is proven clearly by what we see in Jesus.

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thoughts and actions. ²² Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault. ²³ But you must continue to believe this truth and stand firmly in it. Don't drift away from the assurance you received when you heard the Good News.

Colossians 1:15-23 (NLT)

¹⁸ So God has given both his promise and his oath. These two things are unchangeable because it is impossible for God to lie. Therefore, we who have fled to him for refuge can have great confidence as we hold to the hope that lies before us. ¹⁹ This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls.

Hebrews 6:18-19 (NLT)

God is fully aware of us, including our circumstances, motives, intentions, challenges, sins, failures, fears, hurts and desires.

¹ O LORD, you have examined my heart and know everything about me. ² You know when I sit down or stand up. You know my thoughts even when I'm far away. ³ You see me when I travel and when I rest at home. You know everything I do. ⁴ You know what I am going to say even before I say it, LORD.

Psalms 139:1-4 (NLT)

This will give some of us great comfort.

This should give others serious concern.

The path to experiencing the benefits of God's promises is available to us all:

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²³ Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise.

²⁴ Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. ²⁵ And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

Hebrews 10:23-25 (NLT)