



God's Promises...

"If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you,
you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.
By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit;
so you will be My disciples."

John 15:7-8



Psalm 37:4 says, "Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart." This matches exactly what Jesus said in the featured scripture. If we contemplate the overwhelming promises of God, we can bring this down to a very common denominator. In essence, God's promises are meant for all who have surrendered to God in Christ, and as a result abide by His Word.

This can only be achieved if we seek to know His Word. When Jesus said that we can ask what we desire, He really meant it. In the same vein, since it is contingent on abiding in Him, we ought to mean it as well and the only way to abide in Him is evidently to know Him through His Word. For example, if my sons would ask me anything that is possible for me, it goes without saying that because I love them, I will grant their wishes. It is also contingent that their request agrees with the values I hold. I sure could not grant them what is contrary to my beliefs. It is also reality that a pure stranger couldn't expect that I fulfill their desires.

Consequently, if we abide in Christ and His Word abides in us, whatever we will ask God will be according to His Word and Will, and not simply for foolish worldly desires of the flesh.

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Guaranteed Hope

“For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.”

Jeremiah 29:11



What God promised through the prophet Jeremiah some 600 years before Christ was born, Jesus confirmed in Matthew 14:2-3, “In My Father’s house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.” God’s promise to those who believe is a future and hope for a glorious life in His presence.

With all the busyness of life, we sometimes limit ourselves to look no further than what’s right in front of our eyes when in fact, we could be looking towards the ultimate goal of eternal life with God and Christ.

The apostle John in 1John 2:25 confirms it, “And this is the promise that He has promised us, eternal life.” Jesus further added in Revelation 3:5, He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.” In Revelation 21:4 John heard the voice saying, “And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.”

What a glorious promise and hope!

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Victory in God

“He who did not spare His own Son,
But delivered Him up for us all, how shall
He not with Him also freely give us all things?”

Romans 8:32



Have we ever found ourselves unsure of what God's will is in whatever situation? I know I have; however, I also found that seeking God's will without pre-determined conditions will provide a leading from the Holy Spirit to the proper solution and outcome. We can ask God for anything, Jesus told us. That includes:

“Wisdom” – “If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!” (Luke 11:13)

“Rest” in our soul – “Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” (Matthew 11:28)

“Strength” - “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God *is* with you wherever you go.” (Joshua 1:9) “

“Protection” in temptation - “No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God *is* faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able.” (1Cor. 10:13)

“Assurance” - “For all the promises of God in Him *are* Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.” (2 Cor. 1:20)

“Forgiveness” - “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1John 1:9)

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