



# Promises, Promises! The Choice Is Yours

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**2 Peter 1** <sup>3</sup> Everything we could ever need for life and godliness has already been deposited in us by his divine power. *For all this was lavished upon us through the rich experience of knowing him who has called us by name and invited us to come to him through a glorious manifestation of his goodness.* <sup>4</sup> 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 we can experience partnership with the divine nature, by which you have escaped the corrupt desires that are of the world. TPT

**Hebrews 6** <sup>12</sup> Then you will not become spiritually dull and indifferent. Instead, you will follow the example of those who are going to inherit God's promises because of their faith and endurance. NLT

**Romans 5** <sup>16b</sup> ... But this gracious gift [the gift of covenant membership] leaves us free from our many failures and brings us into the perfect righteousness of God—acquitted with the words “**Not guilty!**” TPT <sup>17</sup> For the sin of this one man, Adam, caused death to rule over many. But even greater is God's wonderful grace and his gift of righteousness, for all who receive it will live in triumph over sin and death through this one man, Jesus Christ. NLT

**Romans 8** <sup>30</sup> Having determined our destiny ahead of time, he called us to himself and transferred his perfect righteousness to everyone he called. And those who possess his perfect righteousness he co-glorified with his Son! <sup>31</sup> So, what does all this mean? If God has determined to stand with us, tell me, who then could ever stand against us? <sup>32</sup> For God has proved his love by giving us his greatest treasure, the gift of his Son. And since God freely offered him up as the sacrifice for us all, he certainly won't withhold from us anything else he has to give. TPT

**Luke 12** <sup>32</sup> So don't ever be afraid, dearest friends! Your loving Father joyously gives you his kingdom with all its promises! TPT <sup>32</sup> “So don't be afraid, little flock. For it gives your Father great happiness to give you the Kingdom. NLT

**Romans 8** <sup>15</sup> And you did not receive the “spirit of religious duty,” leading you back into the fear of never being good enough. But you have received the “Spirit of full acceptance,” enfolding you into the family of God. And you will never feel orphaned, for as he rises up within us, our spirits join him in saying the words of tender affection, “Beloved Father!” <sup>16</sup> For the Holy Spirit makes God's fatherhood real to us as he whispers into our innermost being, “You are God's beloved child!” <sup>17</sup> And since we are his true children, we qualify to share all his treasures, for indeed, we are heirs of God himself. And since we are joined to Christ, we also inherit all that he is and all that he has. We will experience being co-glorified with him provided that we accept his sufferings as our own. TPT

**1 John 4** <sup>17</sup> By *living in God*, love has been brought to its full expression in us so that we may fearlessly face the day of judgment, because all that Jesus now is, so are we in this world. TPT

**NOTE:** Or “because we are what he is in this world.” The verb tense is important. We are not like Jesus *was*, but because of grace, we are like he is *now*: pure and holy, seated in heaven, and glorified. See Rom. 8:30; Eph. 2:6; Col. 3:1–4. Faith has transferred his righteousness to us.

**The Choice Is Ours!**

**Deuteronomy 30** <sup>19</sup> “Today I have given you the choice between life and death, between blessings and curses. Now I call on heaven and earth to witness the choice you make. Oh, that you would choose life, so that you and your descendants might live!” <sup>20a</sup> You can make this choice

by loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and committing yourself firmly to him. **This is the key to your life.** NLT

**1 John 3** <sup>21</sup> Dear friends, **if we don't feel guilty, we can come to God with bold confidence.** <sup>22</sup> **And we will receive from him whatever we ask because we obey him and do the things that please him.** NLT

**Hebrews 11** <sup>6</sup> And without faith living within us it would be impossible to **please God. For we come to God in faith knowing that he is real and that he rewards the faith of those who passionately seek him.** TPT **NOTE:** Or "we are powerless to please God." The Greek word *adynatos* means impotent or powerless. Or "Anyone who approaches God must believe."

**Galatians 3** <sup>13</sup> Yet, Christ paid the full price to set us free from the curse of the law. He absorbed the curse completely as he became a curse in our place. For it is written: "Everyone who is hung upon a tree is cursed." <sup>14</sup> **Jesus Christ dissolved the curse from our lives, so that in him all the blessings of Abraham can be poured out upon gentiles.** And now through faith we receive the promised Holy Spirit *who lives in us.* TPT

**Hebrews 8** <sup>6</sup> But now Jesus, our High Priest, has been given a ministry that is far superior to the old priesthood, for he is the one who mediates for us **a far better covenant with God, based on better promises.** NLT <sup>6b</sup> ... since he is the catalyst of **a better covenant which contains far more wonderful promises!** TPT

**Deuteronomy 28** <sup>1</sup> **If you fully obey** the LORD your God and carefully keep all his commands that I am giving you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the world. <sup>2</sup> **You will experience all these blessings** if you obey the LORD your God: <sup>3</sup> Your **towns** and your **fields** will be **blessed.** <sup>4</sup> Your **children** and your **crops** will be **blessed.** The offspring of your **herds** and **flocks** will be **blessed.** <sup>5</sup> Your fruit baskets and breadboards will be blessed. <sup>6</sup> **Wherever you go and whatever you do,** you will be **blessed.** <sup>7</sup> "The LORD will conquer your enemies when they attack you. They will attack you from one direction, but they will scatter from you in seven!" <sup>8</sup> **The LORD will guarantee a blessing on everything you do** and will fill your storehouses with grain. The LORD your God will bless you in the land he is giving you. <sup>9</sup> "If you obey the commands of the LORD your God and walk in his ways, the LORD will establish you as his holy people as he swore he would do." <sup>10</sup> Then all the nations of the world will see that you are a people claimed by the LORD, and they will stand in awe of you. <sup>11</sup> "The LORD will give you **prosperity** in the land he swore to your ancestors to give you, **blessing you with many children,** numerous livestock, and abundant crops. <sup>12</sup> The LORD will send rain at the proper time from his rich treasury in the heavens and will **bless all the work you do.** You will lend to many nations, but you will never need to borrow from them. <sup>13</sup> If you listen to these commands of the LORD your God that I am giving you today, and if you carefully obey them, the LORD will make you the head and not the tail, and you will always be on top and never at the bottom. <sup>14</sup> You must not turn away from any of the commands I am giving you today, nor follow after other gods and worship them. <sup>15</sup> "But **if you refuse to listen to the LORD your God...curses... 20 ...for doing evil and abandoning me. 21 ...diseases... 22 ...disasters... 47 If you do not serve the LORD your God with joy and enthusiasm for the abundant benefits you have received, 48a ...hungry, thirsty, naked, and lacking in everything. 61 ...every sickness and plague there is, even those not mentioned in this Book of Instruction...**" NLT

**Mark 11** <sup>24</sup> **This is the reason I urge you to boldly believe for whatever you ask for in prayer—be convinced that you have received it and it will be yours.** TPT

**1 John 5** <sup>14</sup> Since we have this confidence, we can also have **great boldness** before him, for if we ask anything agreeable to his will, he will hear us. <sup>15</sup> **And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we also know that we have obtained the requests we ask of him.** TPT