

# GOD HATH PROMISED

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God's promises represent His entire wealth that He has for us that we may receive all that we may need for time and eternity; spiritually, physically, financially, and in our home-life. Every promise has an unlimited value upon them, and they are all reserved up in Heaven for us and contain all that Jesus Christ died for

It is necessary for us to receive the divine nature first before we can obtain anything, or before we can receive anything through these promises.

2 Peter 1:3, "*According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue.*"

When there is a lack in any part of our Christian life, there must be some hidden self, unbelief, or a lack of the divine nature within, as revealed by Romans 8:11, "*But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.*"

Our ignorance and unbelief, and our lack of having Jesus Christ enthroned within, allows Satan to rob us of our health, peace, and happiness. When we have Christ enthroned in our hearts, he cannot harm us, nor rob us of our Atonement privileges.

When we settle it to go through with God, we will have confidence to ask and receive His divine nature and will be able to get anything that God has for us, all the righteousness, health, peace, and strength we desire.

If Satan can succeed in filling us with doubt and fear and looking to someone or someplace else and getting us to accept his plans on how we are to receive

our needs, we will not receive what God has in store for us.

However, if we give these lives to God right and receive the divine nature, we will find out how to get victory; He will show us how to receive it, which is that we must give Him full control of our life. Our first step must be for a full confession of our sin, and this acknowledgement and confession must be a real one.

1 John 1:9, "*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*"

If it seems that we are out of one trouble and into another and cannot get our prayers answered, you can rest assured that there is something that needs to be searched out and confessed and forsaken before God. The confession of sin and the actual, true acknowledgement of just exactly what we are, the quicker the deliverance.

Satan loves to cover up our true condition and get us to think, "I should be okay, I'm not bothering anyone, I read my Bible, I go to Church." But Satan can do all that too.

Until we confess our true condition before God, we are deceiving ourselves. If we have not met things right and have not had faith to receive answers to our prayers; we must go before God and confess that unbelief and ask Him to search our heart thoroughly, He will show us just where we are spiritually and what the lack is in our life.

According to the sixth chapter of Isaiah, Isaiah thought he was all packed up and ready for Heaven. If anybody would have asked about him, they would have said, "He is a good man, I've never heard a cross word from him, he reads his Bible every day, (of which it may have been the scrolls in that day) and there is nothing that he left undone."

Jesus said that people like that appear beautiful outwardly, like white marble sepulcher's; outwardly they appear righteous but inwardly they have no real knowledge of God.

One day God appeared to Isaiah. Isaiah 6:1-5, "*In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord*

*sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.*

*And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts."*

Isaiah saw that his religion, his church, and his profession were no good. He was willing to let go of everything at the sight of the Lord of hosts. He realized that he had nothing, he saw his spiritual blindness, his unbelief, and ignorance. Satan had covered all that up in his life. (We can be assured that God is waiting to show that to each one of us, wherever there may be a lack in our life.)

In other words, Isaiah said, "Woe is me! I am undone; I never trusted God as I should have, it is a good thing I was thrown overboard; I am a man of unclean lips, with a bad heart; there is nothing but iniquity in this heart of mine."

Isaiah acknowledged his true condition before God; he said, "Lord, I am no good, I am filled with Satan's ways and my church is not what it should be."

Isaiah confessed all that to God; He did not take any length of time to consider the matter, to make up his mind to leave that Church and make a clean sweep of things in his life. He humbled himself and went before God immediately and said he was no good. God will do great things for one who will take an attitude like that.

Isaiah 6:6-8, "*Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged. Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying,*

*Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me."*

That is God's order of deliverance, his sins were pardoned, his iniquity purged. God had fully pardoned and cleansed Isaiah and told him that He did so and said that he was a righteous man. That is all the evidence that Isaiah had that he was pardoned, cleansed, and filled with God's righteousness. He did not see it and neither could he feel it, he just plainly took God at His Word.

The Word plainly states, *"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."*

When we acknowledge just what we are, confess our blindness and ignorance of God and His truth; that God has never changed and that He is no different than He was in Bible times, acknowledge that we have not known Him; confess that we have been under the control of Satan and have been listening to his lies instead of believing God's Word. That is what Daniel did. He was shown his own weakness and was brought to an attitude where he could seek God and receive glorious victory.

Daniel 9:7-8, *"O Lord, righteousness belongeth unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, that are near, and that are far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against thee. O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee."*

Daniel acknowledged that shame and confusion was just what they deserved; but to God belonged loving kindness, tender mercy, and forgiveness.

A real confession, a real stating of facts concerning ourselves before God, telling Him is very important. Then God can do something, just as He did for Isaiah. A right step puts us right under the Blood. That is what is expressed in that verse that has been quoted. When we have confessed, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins.

An analogy—when you get a one-dollar bill, you wouldn't call Washington D.C. to find out if your dollar bill was worth one hundred cents. You do not ask anyone about the bill, whether it may be two years old or twenty-two years old. If it bears the words "The United States of America" and it has the treasurer's name in the corner, you are assured it is all right.

It is the same with God's Word, written out clear in black and white, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Satan would like us to doubt God's Word saying, "I don't feel like I have my full pardon and cleansing." It would be just as foolish to try to see or feel our pardon and cleansing as it would be to call Washington D. C. to see if our dollar bill was worth one hundred cents.

God's Word says the promises are yea and amen in Christ Jesus—the same as legal tender; they cannot be discounted. God says they are one hundred percent true, and He has been in back of them for 2000 years.

Just as we accept that dollar bill at the face value, we can use the promises, accept them at their face value, because God has told us just what we may expect; that we are pardoned and cleansed.

When that promise is laid aside, Satan will come along and put thoughts in your mind, "You are not cleansed, you are not pardoned, your sins are not forgiven." You will not be aware that it was Satan that placed those thoughts there; you believe that it is only a thought of your mind, and you say, "Hmm, I haven't been cleansed."

That is how Satan works so successfully. Suppose you doubt that your dollar bill was not a good one and you would take it back, then no one could sell their goods to you. It is the same way when you doubt that promise and hand it back to God, He cannot pardon and cleanse you.

We must take God's promises as one hundred percent true, the same as we take the currency of the United States, and we will see ourselves pardoned and cleansed. We are not good judges of spiritual

matters ourselves; God alone knows the heart; we do not know just what we are, or where we are; but God's Word says we are pardoned and cleansed after we have made a true and wholehearted confession to God. When we have confessed, we should believe it. Then we will find that all God's promises have yea and amen in back of each one.

When we take that stand on that Word, we will become partakers of the divine nature. Accept God's Word at its face value, regardless of the lies of Satan, regardless of his temptations and efforts to make us doubt; and make a final decision that if we never see or feel we have the victory, we are going to believe that God's Word still stands, it never changes and the victory is sure.

John 16:23, *"Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you."*

When we have truly confessed, forsaken our sins, surrendered our life to God, and be filled with that divine nature, then we can successfully and continually use this promise.

If we have not truly confessed, we will not be able to believe or act it out, and Satan will overwhelm us with his doubts and fears. When we have given these lives to God and have been forgiven and cleansed of our sins and filled with that divine nature, we can walk to the door and let God and His many blessings in.

Revelation 3:20-21, *"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne."*

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