

Promises of GOD (18th, Feb 2007)

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In general, a Promise is a psychological contract indicating a transaction between two persons whereby the first person undertakes in the future to render some service or gift to the second person or devotes something valuable now and here to his use.

The Bible is full of God's promises to us. **(II Cor 1:20)** No matter how many promises they are-they are "Yes" in Christ and we should claim these promises to glorify God. Even we also make many promises to God which is a vow or an oath to God. Promises are to be kept and God is faithful to fulfill His promises. I would like to emphasize on few and important promises of God to us.

1. First and foremost one is "The Promise of Salvation".

(Gal 3:22-29) We were prisoners of sin and we were held prisoners by law. But thanks be to God who gave us the faith to be saved and be called as the children of God by His promise.

2. Second one is "The Promise of Holy Spirit".

(Acts 2:38, 39) Once we
Repent for our sins
Seek his Forgiveness
Receive Salvation of God

God has promised us the gift of the Holy Spirit to us and our children and all who are far off. **(II Peter 1:4)** He has given us His very great and precious promises to-
Have the divine nature of God.
To escape the corruption of this world caused by the evil desires.

3. Third one is "The Promise of the Eternal Life".

(I John 2:25) This promise reflects the character of God. God is immortal and eternal and He has promised us eternal life. The very purpose of salvation is eternal life.

(John 14:1-3) Jesus told his disciples to trust Him. For He is going to prepare a place for us in heaven. He has promised to come back and take us with Him so that we may also live with Him.

God has also promised us financial blessings, blessings of good health and many others.

Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, my prayer is that you claim all these Promises of God and be fruitful for His Glory.