



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

YOU CAN'T HAVE PART-TIME FAITH AND EXPECT FULL-TIME VICTORY!

Sermon Series: Possessing the Promises of God!

(A Study through the Book of Joshua)

“KNOW WHAT YOU (WE) ARE PROMISED!”

Joshua 2:1-24 NKJV

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INTRODUCTION

TRUSTING GOD'S PROMISES WILL DELIVER YOU FROM EVERY SITUATION!

A promise from God is a statement we can depend on with absolute confidence.

Here are **JUST 12** promises Christians can count on from the God, we can count on:

- 1) **God's Presence** *"I will never leave YOU" (Hebrews 13:5)*
- 2) **God's Protection** *"I am YOUR shield" (Genesis 15:1)*
- 3) **God's Power** *"I will strengthen YOU" (Isaiah 41:10)*
- 4) **God's Provision** *"I will help YOU" (Isaiah 41:10)*
- 5) **God's Pre-eminence (Leading)** *"And when He puts forth His own sheep, He goeth before them" (John 10:4)*
- 6) **God's Purposes** *"I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil" (Jeremiah 20:11)*
- 7) **God's Pause (Rest)** *"Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give YOU rest" (Matthew 11:28)*
- 8) **God's Purification (Cleansing)** *"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9)*
- 9) **God's Pleasantness (Goodness)** *"No good thing will He withhold from them that work uprightly" (Psalm 84:11)*
- 10) **God's Persistence (Faithfulness)** *"The Lord will not forsake His people for His great name's sake" (1 Samuel 12:22)*
- 11) **God's Path (Guidance)** *"The meek will He guide" (Psalm 25:9)*
- 12) **God's Perfect Plan (Wise)** *"All things work together for good to them that love God and are the called according to His purpose!" (Romans 8:28)*

*That's just **12** out of the 7,487 promises that are from God to us, in the Bible.*

TO KNOW WHAT WE ARE PROMISED, WE MUST UNDERSTAND AT LEAST 3 THINGS:

1) KNOW THE _____ OF OUR PROMISE!

One overarching intent from God for the Promises He made and intends to fulfill:

† **Joshua 2:11 NKJV**

† Rahab, the unsaved harlot said:

for the Lord your God, He is God in heaven above and on earth beneath.

† Jesus prays this same intent in His prayer in John 17:23 NKJV.

2) KNOW THE _____ OF OUR PROMISE!

† **Joshua 2:18 NKJV**

† **Joshua 2:21 NKJV**

There were at least three things that Rahab was required to do:

- a) Rahab was given instruction if she wanted to experience deliverance for herself and her family.*
- b) Rahab was given some specific directions if what she was asking the men to promise, for that promise to be fulfilled.*
- c) Rahab was made known the signs that she needed to display in her house for the promise to be manifested, for her and her family.*

In the same way God has done the same thing for US:

- a) He has given us some instructions to follow if we want to experience His deliverance in our lives and for our families.*
- b) He has given us some clear directions if want the promises that He has made to be fulfilled in our lives.*
- c) He has made known to us what signs need to be displayed in our lives with those around us, if we want the promises of his word to manifested on our behalf.*

† Galatians 5:22-23 NKJV

All of which require our willingness to obey!

3) **KNOW THAT _____ MANIFESTS OUR PROMISE!**

† **Joshua 2:22-23 NKJV**

This whole study - Israel's willingness to obey God or not!

This chapter illustrates:

- Obedience of the spies to Joshua and to Rahab
- Her instructions to the spies when they left
- Rahab's obedience to the spy's instructions

"GOD BLESSES OBEDIENCE!"

- It's the only thing God requires of us
- It's the one thing we keep trying to negotiate.

Three things to remember about Obedience, that help us to Obey:

- a) **It was Modeled by JESUS** - John 6:38 NKJV
- b) **It is Motivated by LOVE** - John 14:15 NKJV
- c) **It is Manifested by our LIFESTYLE** - Leviticus 18:5 **GW**

