

Claiming God's Promise by Faith & Obedience

Theme and Theme Text

Theme: Pray and believe. **God**
Keeps His Promises

Joshua 21:45 (ESV) Not one word of **all the good promises that the LORD had made** to the house of Israel **had failed; all came to pass.**

Today's Text

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Introduction

Not only must we claim God's promise through prayer, but we must pray in faith.

Matthew 21:22 (KJV)²²And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.

Matthew 21:22 (ESV)²²And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith."

Mark 11:24 (NASB95)²⁴"Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be granted you.

Today's Lesson

We must Claim God's promises by Faith

James 1:5-7 (KJV)

James 1:5 (KJV) If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all *men* liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

James 1:6 (KJV) But **let him ask in faith**, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

James 1:7 (KJV) For **let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.**

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Hebrews 11:32-33 (HCSB)

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Hebrews 11:33 (HCSB) **who by faith** conquered kingdoms, administered justice, **obtained promises**, shut the mouths of lions,



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Acts 2:39 (KJV) For **the promise is unto you**, and to your children, and **to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.**

Luke 11:9-10, 13 (KJV)

Luke 11:9 (KJV) And I say unto you, **Ask**, and it shall be given you; **seek**, and ye shall find; **knock**, and it shall be opened unto you.

Luke 11:10 (KJV) **For every one that asketh receiveth**; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Luke 11:13 (KJV) If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: **how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?**

Genuine faith will be manifested in obedience. To receive the manifestation of answered prayer, we must follow through in obedience to God's word, and divine directions.

Hebrews 11:8-9 (KJV)

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We must claim God's Promises through Obedience

Obedience to God's written word.

Deuteronomy 7:9 (KJV) Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he is God, the faithful God, **which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments** to a thousand generations;

1 Kings 2:1-4 (HCSB)

1 Kings 2:1 (HCSB) As the time approached for David to die, he instructed his son Solomon,

1 Kings 2:2 (HCSB) "As for me, I am going the way of all of the earth. Be strong and be [courageous] like a man,

1 Kings 2:3 (HCSB) and keep your obligation to the LORD your God to

walk in His ways and to keep His statutes, commands, ordinances, and decrees. This is written in the law of Moses, **so that you will have success in everything you do** and wherever you turn,
1 Kings 2:4 (HCSB) and **so that the LORD will carry out His promise that He made to me**: 'If your sons are careful to walk faithfully before Me with their whole mind and heart, you will never fail to have a man on the throne of Israel.'

1 Kings 9:4-5 (KJV)

1 Kings 9:4 (KJV) And if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, **in integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded thee**, and wilt keep my statutes and my judgments:

1 Kings 9:5 (KJV) Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel for ever, **as I promised to David** thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Israel.

1 John 3:22-23 (KJV)

1 John 3:22 (KJV) And whatsoever we ask, **we receive** of him, **because we keep his commandments**, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

1 John 3:23 (KJV) And this is his commandment, That we should **believe** on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and **love** one another, as **he gave us commandment**.

Matthew 6:33 (KJV) But **seek** ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and **all these things shall be added unto you**.

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Deuteronomy 32:12-14 (KJV)

Deuteronomy 32:12 (KJV) So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.

Deuteronomy 32:13 (KJV) He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might eat the **increase** of the fields; and he made him to suck **honey** out of the rock, and **oil** out of the flinty rock;

Deuteronomy 32:14 (KJV) **Butter** of kine, and **milk** of sheep, with fat of **lambs**, and **rams** of the breed of Bashan, and **goats**, with the fat of kidneys of **wheat**; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the **grape**.

Romans 8:14 (KJV) For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Isaiah 48:17-18 (AMP)

Isaiah 48:17 (AMP) Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: I am the Lord your God, Who teaches you to profit, Who leads you in the way that you should go.

Isaiah 48:18 (AMP) Oh, that you had hearkened to My commandments! Then your peace *and* prosperity would have been like a flowing river, and

your righteousness [the holiness and purity of the nation] like the [abundant] waves of the sea.

Psalm 32:8-9 (NLT2)

Psalm 32:8 (NLT2) The LORD says, “I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you.

Psalm 32:9 (NLT2) Do not be like a senseless horse or mule that needs a bit and bridle to keep it under control.”



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Acts 5:32 (ESV) 32 And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

Standing Songs

Standing on the Promises of God

Standing on the promises that cannot fail!
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]

Refrain:

Standing, standing,
standing on the promises of God, my Savior;
standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

Trust and Obey

When we walk with the Lord
in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will,
he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.