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Promises That Never Fail.

II Peter 1:1-9 *4

Today we are living in a time of disbelief, uncertainty, insecurity, and doubt to name only a few.

We hear the officials talking about a safer place to live, yet the market is falling, and crime is on the increase. We are placing increased respect upon our country and what it can do for us and less on what God has done, what he is doing, and is going to do.

I think we have one of the best county in the world and it is not my aim to tear our country down, but as I listen to the politicians saying what is wrong with each other and what they are going to do, we know that most of these promises will never come true. We do get concerned about the situations that we are experiences today. We need to pray for the leaders and the leader to be. (My spill on politics)

If we cannot believe the promise from our national and state leaders, then where do we turn? We turn to the promises of God. This is what I want us to look at today.

Let us look at some of the promises that God has given us. We cannot name all of them, but some this morning.

1. **SALVATION**: John 6:37 *All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.*

Here we find that whoever cometh to Jesus will not be cast out.

Example: is the woman caught in adultery, the very act in John 8:1-11 *11 *She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.*

It is one of the greatest promises in the Bible. Our sins will be forgiven.

All who comes, Jesus will accept and will not cast them out.

Oh, what a promise!

2. **FORGIVENESS** Romans 3:23 **For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;** we have done things to our friends that we had to ask forgiveness of and them likewise to us.

Too many times, we do not want to forgive them for their misdoings to us ... Hate builds up.

I am glad that our Heavenly Father is just and has promised us that he would forgive all sins. I 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.**

A. To get forgiveness, we really must be serious. We cannot ask forgiveness and keep on doing the same old same.

B. If God is to forgive us of our sins, we must be willing to forgive our enemies. Matthew. 6:14-15 **¹⁴ For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: ¹⁵But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.**

3. **COMFORT** After our sins have been forgiven, we will not have to face the lust of the world alone. Jesus promises us that He would always be with us. John 14:18 **I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.**

One of the best examples of this is at funerals. In my ministry I have seen many types of deaths and funerals. If the family is Christian the reaction is completely different than the non-Christians.

4. **DIVINE FELLOWSHIP** Matt 28:20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: **and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.**

No matter how dark it may seem we will have someone to go with us in times of trouble.

5. **HEAVENLY CONFESSION**, the last promise that we will look at is the promise of confession. Matt. 10:32: **32. Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.**

This is the promise that assures us of our place in heaven if we have confessed Jesus before men. But look at the next verse.

33. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

Conclusion

Are you standing on the promises of God or the world?

Will you accept these promises today as yours?

Do you want this heavenly confession?

As we move through COVID-19, Let us adhere to the promises that we spoke of this morning and trust in all of God's promise.

Today, October 17, as you pray, pray for God's guidance in each and everything that you do and pray that you will stand on all the promises of God.

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