

Taking Personally: The Promises of God!

KJV Psalm 119:49 Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.

50 This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath (given me life) quickened me.

David prays and asks God to remember His Promises because they give him hope that things will turn around!

Because when he is afflicted his comfort only comes from The Promises of God!

Lastly, God's Promises are what gives him life—they sustain him!

As we have already taught **The Word of God is synonymous with The Promises of God!**

King David is considered **the anointed pleader** because he was especially good at finding promises for particular situations and pleading to God to keep His promise and forgive, rescue, heal, or bless him.

This is what David meant when he prayed *“Remember what you said to your servant because this is what I have placed my hope in.”*

The first thing is **we must absolutely believe God is speaking to us when we read His Word!**

We must take The Word (Promises) of God personally!

We have to develop the skill and discipline of going through the scriptures finding verses that pertain to our situations and apply them directly to our lives.

This is an indication that we have developed a personal relationship with God! When we take The Word personally!

David did and regularly went to God pleading for Him to respond to his need.

NIV Jeremiah 33:2-3 "This is what the LORD says, he who made the earth, the LORD who formed it and established it-- the LORD is his name:

3 'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'

David believed when he prayed God would hear and answer him so David placed his hope in God!

Is this not why we came to Christ?

Did we not leave the world and come to Him because the world kept failing us and we knew God keeps His promises!

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Resting on **The Promises of God** not only gives us hope it provides consolation to the believer.

It provides **comfort** in times when we feel stressed, tired and worried!

God's Promises can comfort us when we feel overwhelmed!

When were **afflicted** by situations God Promises can comfort us in the midst of trials.

KJV Psalm 30:4 Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

Even if the hardship is caused by our own rebellion and sin, even if God is punishing us as dear children—we can find comfort in the fact.

ESV Job 5:17 "Behold, blessed is the one whom God reproveth; therefore despise not the discipline of the Almighty.

- **Here God promises a blessing in His correction!**

We can call on God to remember His Holiness, remember that His anger lasts for only a moment.

But His favor is for life!

David knows God's anger lasts for a short time but His favor lasts a life time!

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David says he's learned to get **relief** from his troubles by remembering God's promises!

*^{ESV} **Psalm 105:40-42** They asked, and he brought quail, and gave them bread from heaven in abundance.*

41 He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it flowed through the desert like a river.

42 For he remembered his holy promise, and Abraham, his servant.

*^{KJV} **Matthew 5:18** For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.*