

reveal God's unchanging love for all believers are precious to him. The PPP verses contain promises that he has trusted God to keep, and God has proven that He is true to His Word.

We too would benefit by discovering and believing God's promises. These truths from 1 John will help us:

We must first trust God's promise to give us eternal life in Jesus (2:25; 5:1) if we are to experience the benefits of the Lord's promises to His children.

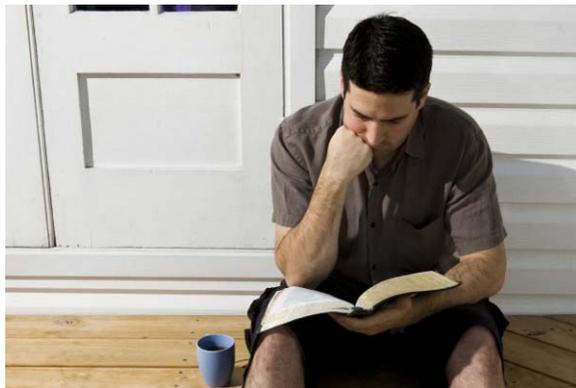
The goal of His promises to us is to make us like His Son, Jesus Christ (3:2-3).

God's Spirit lives within us and helps us to understand the promises of His Word (2:27).

As we read God's Word, let's search for the promises that apply to us. Then as we act on them, they will become precious promises proven. -- DJD

*O cleansing Word, O precious Word,
Your promises are true;
They give me grace to live like Christ;
Their truths are fresh and new. --Anon.*

**All of God's promises are backed by
His wisdom, love, and power.**



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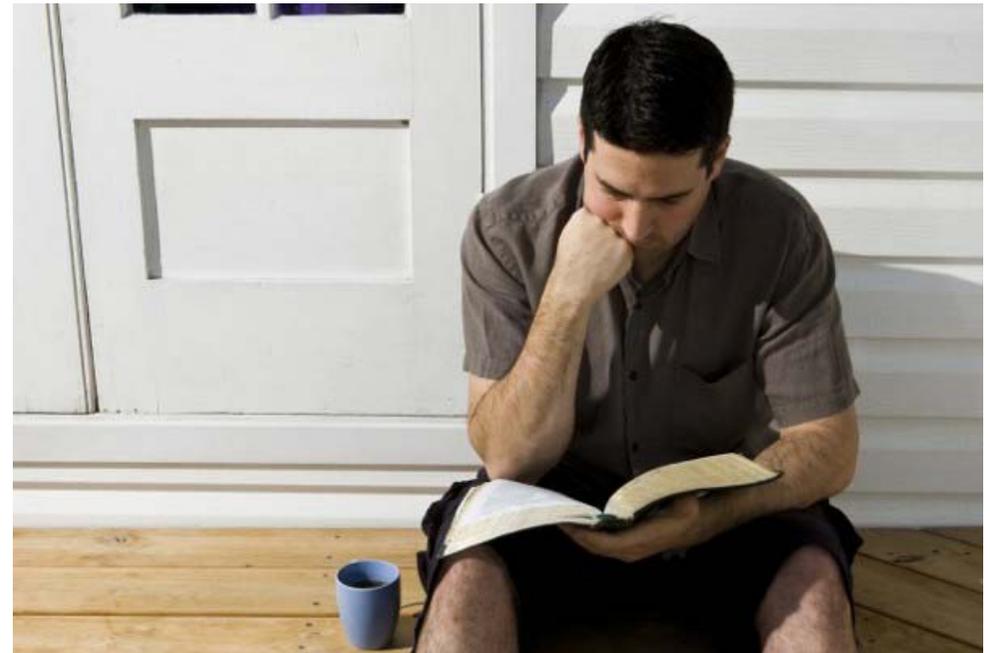
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Precious Promises Proven!

This is the promise that He has promised us--eternal life. --1 John 2:25

A man makes some unusual markings in his Bible. Next to some verses he puts a P, next to others PP, and by others PPP. He explains, "A single P refers to a promise of God, PP to a precious promise, and PPP to a precious promise proven!"

In his Bible study, he has found many promises, though he realizes not all apply to him (such as those given specifically to Israel). But promises that





2 Peter: Overcoming Error Precious Promises I.

(Hebrews 12:26) "... He has promised, saying, "Yet once more I shake not only the earth, but also heaven."

2 Peter 1:3-4

2 Peter 1:4 leads us to make 4 comments about God's promises:

1. God's promises are _____, verses 3-4, 3:10

(Numbers 23:19) ""God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?"

(James 1:17) "Every good gift .. comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning."

(Isaiah 55:11) "So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."

(Hebrews 6:13-14) "For when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, {14} saying, "Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you.""

(Hebrews 6:17-18) "Thus God, determining to show more abundantly to the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath, {18} that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us."

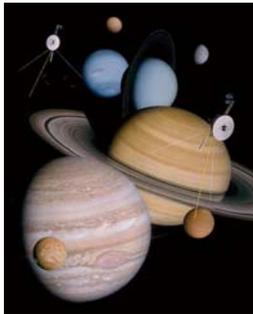
2. God's promises are in _____ and through _____, verses 3-4

(2 Corinthians 1:20) "For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us."

(Hebrews 11:13) "These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth."

(Hebrews 11:39-40) "And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, {40} God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us."

(Acts 3:22-26) ""For Moses truly said to the fathers, 'The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear in all things, whatever He says to you. {23} 'And it shall be that every soul who will not hear that Prophet shall be utterly destroyed from among the people.' {24} "Yes, and all the prophets, from Samuel and those who follow, as many as have spoken, have also foretold these days. {25} "You are sons of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying to Abraham, 'And in your seed all the families



of the earth shall be blessed.' {26} "To you first, God, having raised up His Servant Jesus, sent Him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from your iniquities.""

(Romans 6:23) "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

(Romans 8:1) "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit."

(Revelation 3:20) ""Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me."

3. To enjoy God's promises we have a _____ to _____, 3:3-4, 10-13

(Romans 4:13) "For the promise that he would be the heir of the world was not to Abraham or to his seed through the law, but through the righteousness of faith."

(Hebrews 6:12) ".. do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises."

(Hebrews 10:36) "For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise:"



4. God's promises are _____ the _____, verses 3-4, 3:13

(Luke 24:49) ""Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high.""

(Acts 2:33) ""Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear."

(Acts 2:39) ""For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call.""

(1 John 2:25) "And this is the promise that He has promised us; eternal life."

(James 1:12) "Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him."

(Galatians 3:29) "And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

(James 2:5) "Listen, my beloved brethren: Has God not chosen the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him?"

