**Second Dimension – Christianity Experienced**

**Segment II – *“Enjoying the Privileges”* Progressive Bible Concepts - #21 “God’s Primary Promises”**

**Reading the Bible in a Year**

**Progress Reports**

**First Concepts:**

* Concept 18 – God’s Precious Promises
* Concept 19 – God’s Empowering Promises
* Concept 20 – God’s Primary Promises

**Opening Questions:**

* What constitutes a genuine promise?
* Have you ever been confused about whether you actually extended a promise or whether a promise was extended to you?

**The Purpose of the Promises:**

* “For through these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that through them you may become p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.”I Pet 1:4
* “Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ourselves from all d\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of flesh and spirit p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ holiness in the fear of God.” II Cor 7:1

**Distinguishing Related Concepts:**

* P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – an intention that gives another the right to expect rewards, benefits, or consequences - Rom 9:9
* P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – a rule that reveals how things operate - cause and effect – inner workings of life - Heb 5:12
* P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – pithy, concise summary statements of life observations – II Peter 2:22
* P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – predictions of God’s supernatural activity in human history – Rev 1:3, II Peter 1:21
* V\_\_\_\_ –a solemn promise/binding resolution–Matt 5:33
* C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – a written agreement with terms and consequences – Luke 16:7



**The Greatest Promise
Redeemer** ***Immanuel***

***Primary Promises – Redeemer:***

* “Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.” Isaiah 7:14
* “Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 23“Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which translated means, “G\_\_\_\_ w\_\_\_\_\_\_ u\_\_.” Matt 1:22,23
* “Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to them the things concerning H\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in all the Scriptures.” Luke 24:27
* “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ…” Eph 1:4
* “He who did not spare His only Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how will he not with Him freely give us all things.” Romans 8:32
* “For all things belong to you, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or things present or things to come; all things belong to you, and you belong to Christ; and Christ belongs to God.” I Cor 3:21-23
* “Now as many as may be the promises of God, in H\_\_\_\_ they are y\_\_\_\_; wherefore also by Him is our Amen to the glory of God.” II Cor 7:20
* Jesus – the fulfillment of the u\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ promise, giving us every reason to trust God for all other promises –he is point of reference for all additional promises – all promises c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ around Him and f\_\_\_\_\_\_ from Him.

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		- He is the t\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ representation of God’s faithfulness
		- He is the r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to trust God for all other promises
		- He is p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for all additional promises
		- All promises c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ around Him
		- He is the fountain from which all promises f\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Promise #1 Loving Presence “God with us”**

**Primary Promises – Loving Presence:**

* “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” Hebrews 13:5b
* In no way – e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ negative
* Leave - *aniemi* - send away, let you go, leave in an unsupported way, a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Nor in any way – same emphatic negative
* Forsake – d\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, leave in a threatening, distressful situation
* You – refers to b\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***“Under no circumstances will I ever abandon you or desert you. I will never n\_\_\_\_ be here for you when you n\_\_\_\_\_\_ me.”***

**Loving Presence – Related Verses:**

* “And behold, I am w\_\_\_\_\_\_ you, and will k\_\_\_\_\_\_ you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not l\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you until I have done what I have promised you.” Gen 28:15
* “Be strong and courageous, do not be afraid or tremble at them, for the Lord your God is the one who goes with you. He will not f\_\_\_\_\_\_ you or f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you. Then Moses called to Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong and courageous, for you shall go with this people into the land which the Lord has sworn to their fathers to give them, and you shall give it to them as an inheritance. The Lord is the one who goes ahead of you; He will be with you. He will not f\_\_\_\_\_\_ you or f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you. Do not fear or be dismayed.” Deut 31:6-8
* “No man will be able to stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I have been with Moses, I will be w\_\_\_\_\_\_ you; I will not f\_\_\_\_\_\_ you or f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you.” Joshua 1:5
* “Be strong and courageous and act; do not fear nor be dismayed, for the Lord God, my God, is w\_\_\_\_\_\_ you. He will not f\_\_\_\_\_\_ you nor f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you until all the work of the service of the house of the Lord is finished.” I Chron 28:20

**Loving Presence – Benefits to the Believer:**

* One who has God’s loving presence is never a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* One who has God’s loving presence is s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, not weak or o\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* One who has God’s abiding presence is c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, not anxious, dismayed, or fearful!
* One who has God’s abiding presence is i\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ until God’s purposes are accomplished.
* One who has God’s abiding presence cannot f\_\_\_\_\_\_ in God’s mission.

**Promise #2** **Eternal Life** **“*In Him is Life*”**

**Primary Promises – Eternal Life:**

* “And this is the promise which He Himself made to us; e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_l l\_\_\_\_\_\_.” I John 2:25
* The promises – p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to do something
* He promised – (aor ind mid) – m\_\_\_\_\_\_ or g\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Life – personal e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, state of b\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Eternal – time i\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in length or w\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ end

**Eternal Life – Related Verses:**

* “God so loved…that He gave His only begotten Son, that everyone who believes in Him will not p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but have eternal life.” John 3:16
* “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent me, has eternal life, and does not come into j\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but has p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ out of death into life.” John 5:24
* “…that through death He might render powerless him who had the power over death that is , the devil, and might deliver these who through the f\_\_\_\_\_\_ of death were subject to s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ all their lives.” Hebrews 2:14, 15
* “Paul…for the faith of those chosen of God…in the h\_\_\_\_\_\_ of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long ago but at the proper time manifested…” Titus 1:2,3

**Eternal Life – Benefits to the Believer:**

* One who has Eternal Life escapes d\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!
* One who has Eternal Life avoids j\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!
* One who has Eternal Life is l\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the fear of death!
* One who has Eternal Life abides in continuous h\_\_\_\_\_\_!



**Concept 21 –** God has given us three primary promises that anchor all the other promises – to redeem us, to never leave us, and to give us eternal life.

**Next Week:**

* **Concept 22: God’s Temporal Promises**