

# God's Unbreakable Promises

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**Numbers 23. We live in a world where people break promises.** Contracts fail. Leaders disappoint us. Friends sometimes let us down. I once had a work-related incident where a co-worker was supposed to cover for me but failed to show up. He had agreed to take care of a certain one of my responsibilities, because I had been called out of town to meet with our biggest client. But instead of following through after I left, he “spaced it.” The work didn’t get done. I had to rush back home, which not only disappointed our big client but also cost the company a lot of money. That one moment of unreliability caused fallout for months.

Maybe you’ve had similar experiences. A friend who didn’t keep their word. A family member who broke a promise. OR, perhaps it was a product warranty that turned out worthless, or someone who told you, “You can count on me,” but when the time came, they didn’t show up. That’s a reality of living in this world. Promises often fail. **But the same cannot be said about God.** He is **faithful** and **reliable**. His Word is His bond. If He said it, He will do it.

**Numbers 23:19 — God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?**

God comes through each and every time! Many times, believers may equate the unreliability of the world with God and His Word, assuming that He is no different than man. That is a dangerous assumption! God is the very picture of **reliability** and **faithfulness**. His track record is undeniable. Look at Genesis 15.

Take Abraham, for example. God promised him that he would have descendants as countless as the stars, but the circumstances could not have looked worse. Abraham was at an age that most men would be using walkers... 99 years old, and Sarah was long past the childbearing years at 90. From a human standpoint, it was impossible. But Abraham chose to believe God’s promise to him, instead of those outward circumstances.

**Genesis 15:5–6 — And he [GOD] brought him [Abraham] forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them.**

This verse is very interesting. God brought Abraham out of the tent, at night, as it states, “...**brought him forth abroad.**” This is a strange term to the Westerner. But in the lands and times of the Bible, this term “**go forth abroad,**” or “**to take him outside,**” referred to “**go out to relieve oneself.**” Later on, God would utilize circumcision to be the “sign,” or the reminder to Abraham of God’s promise. God made the promise, Abraham would continue to remember this promise by a physical means... circumcision, and it was to continue to all of his seed after him for as long as they lived.

**Verse 6 And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.**

Abraham’s believing rested not on what he saw, but on the reliability of the One who promised.

**Romans 4:20–21**, it states: **He [Abraham] staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith [believing], giving glory to God; And being fully persuaded that, what he [GOD] had promised, he was able also to perform.**

That is the heart of trust in God — not leaning on what we see, but on who He is. And Abraham's believing was rewarded, because God never fails to keep His Word. Generations later, that same God brought Israel into the land He had promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Now let's take a look at Joshua as he leads them into the promised land.

**Joshua 21:43–45** — And the LORD gave unto Israel all the land which he swore [*shawba*: to seven oneself] to give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein. **44** And the LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that he swore [*shawba*] unto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand. **45** There failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.

Swore an oath by an oath. Hebrew idiom meaning “to seven oneself.” Taking a perfect oath 7x's. What a refreshing statement about God's reliability in verse **45**: “**There failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.**” That is truthfulness beyond truthfulness! As **Psalm 12:6** states that: “**The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.**” Psalm 12 begins with David lamenting the lies and flattering speech of men (1–5). Against that backdrop, he contrasts the LORD's words: *no corruption, no manipulation, no empty promises*. Unlike man's words, God's Word is *unbreakable, proven, flawless*.

It's basically saying: “*Men's words are like dross — God's words are like silver refined to perfection.*” This fits beautifully with the reliability of God's promises: it's not just that He speaks, but that what He speaks has been tested, refined, and shown flawless. God had 7nd Himself. In the case of the promised land, He promised that He promised, that He promised this promise.

And what exactly had He promised them? *A land flowing with milk and honey*. Not bare survival, but a place of abundance and blessing. When God used that phrase (**Exodus 3:8** and many times after), it was a Hebrew idiom describing a land rich and fruitful:

- **Milk** from sheep and goats — meaning lush pastures where livestock could thrive.
- **Honey** from bees and from dates and figs — a sweetness pointing to vineyards, orchards, and delight.

It was God's way of saying: “*I will give you more than enough. You will flourish under My care.*” And guess what? He came through, just as He had for Abraham. Abraham believed God, and God came through. Joshua led Israel into the land, and God came through. But what about now? Well, God has given us His greatest promises that anyone has been promised in history; **He still comes through!**

**2 Corinthians 1:20** — For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

Every promise of God finds its “yes” in Christ. He is the proof that God has not changed His nature — He is still faithful, still reliable, still true to His Word. One of the greatest promises God has made to us is eternal life. And just as surely as Abraham could count the stars, we can count on this:

**Titus 1:2** — In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began.

God cannot lie. It's not just that He doesn't lie — it is impossible for Him to do so. Every word He speaks carries the full weight of His truthfulness. That's why the exhortation in Hebrews is so wonderful:

**Hebrews 10:23 — Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;).**

Notice that — *He is faithful that promised*. Not “He was,” not “He might be,” but **He is faithful right now**. The same God who brought Abraham’s son Isaac into the world, who brought Israel into the promised land, is the same God who has brought us into Christ. And because He is faithful, His promises become an anchor for us when life feels shaky. Look at chapter 13...

**Hebrews 13:5 — ...For he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.**

That is a promise you and I can rest on — every single day. The promises of God don’t stop with Abraham or Joshua. In the Church Epistles, God lays out promises we can rely on every single day. He has continued to give an oath by an oath of all that we have in Christ Jesus.

**Ephesians 1:3 — Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:**

Blessed, hath blessed, all blessings! God **hath** blessed us — past tense. It’s not that He might bless us someday. It’s not that He’s holding out until we’re “good enough.” It’s already done. The blessings are secured, permanent, and they’re ours the moment we accept Christ. And what kind of blessings are they? **Spiritual blessings**. That means they aren’t tied to this changing world — money, possessions, jobs, health conditions, all of those can come and go. But spiritual blessings are eternal. They don’t wear out. They don’t expire. They’re not dependent on our circumstances.

Where are these blessings found? **In the heavenly realm, in Christ**. That’s God’s way of saying that our true riches are anchored in God’s realm, not man’s. In Christ, we’re already seated in the heavenlies as we shall see. That’s our position, whether we feel like it or not on a given day. Think about what that means: \* We don’t have to beg God for blessings: ***we already have them***. We don’t have to wonder if He’s holding something back on us — He’s already given us **all** spiritual blessings. \*We don’t have to compare ourselves with others — our inheritance in Christ is complete. This is a **promise of the present-day reality**. God has already signed it, sealed it, and delivered it through His Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! The Christian life isn’t about trying to *earn* blessings, it’s about learning to walk in, and with the blessings we already have.

**Verse 6-7 — And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: 7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace.**

Raised us up and seated us in the heavenlies along with Jesus Christ. It’s something God did before we were even born. Once we are born again, this INSTANTLY becomes our reality in Christ. Forgiveness isn’t a hope, it’s a promise already secured in Christ. You’ve been forgiven!

**Ephesians 2:19 — Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;**

We also belong. That’s a promise. We’re not outsiders trying to earn a place or earn a spot in heaven; we are already part of God’s household. Paul, by revelation also reminds us in Philipians:

**Philippians 4:19 — But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.**

A promise of provision, not according to our lack, but according to *His riches in glory*.  
And to the Colossians:

**Colossians 1:12–13** — Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet [qualified us] to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated [transferred] us into the kingdom of his dear Son.

He *hath made us meet* — He qualified us. He delivered us. He transferred us from a point of darkness into the light. These are past-tense promises with present-day reality. All of these verses reinforce one truth: **God's promises are not uncertain wishes — they are guarantees, sealed up in Christ.**

From the stars Abraham could not count, to the land flowing with milk and honey, to every spiritual blessing already given us in Christ, the message is the same: **God keeps His Word.** Man's promises may fail, but God's promises never fail. They are already ours, sealed, finished, guaranteed.

**Hebrews 10:23** — Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised).

So, when life feels shaky, when circumstances seem impossible, we don't have to wonder, "Will God come through?" His track record is flawless. His Word is His bond. His promises are yes and amen in Christ.

*If God said it, we can stake our lives on it — because His promises are as sure today as they were for Abraham, Joshua, Paul, and ultimately, you and me!*

God said He has done it for us, now we must live up to what we now have.