

Fifth Study “God’s Promises to You”

2 Peter 1:3-4 God has set you up to win! He’s given you everything you need for life now and life eternal. Think about all the things we’ve studied so far. A relationship with Christ. Relationships with one another and being part of the body. The road to salvation. Repentance and baptism. God has also made you some very great and precious promises to look forward to after your baptism, and for the rest of your life. They are all promises you can count on. *“For no matter how many promises God has made, they are “yes” in Christ. And so through him the “Amen” is spoken by us to the glory of God.” 1 Co.*

1:20 Two of those promises are:

1. The Promise of the Holy Spirit

Acts 2:38-39 We are promised the *gift* of the Holy Spirit at baptism. Part of God’s grace.

Ephesians 1:13-14 The Holy Spirit is a seal. We now belong to God and we receive a deposit guaranteeing our salvation as long as we stay faithful to Christ.

Romans 8:5-17 Our life through the Spirit. God’s Holy Spirit is a life changing and life giving force in our lives. The Holy Spirit is the 3rd person in the trinity of God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit.) The Holy Spirit is as real and as active as any part of God. We can even grieve the Holy Spirit if not careful. **(Eph. 4:30)** We have an obligation to live by the Spirit! The Holy Spirit of God is in your life for good reason.

- a. **Gives us Clarity Jn. 16:13** Clears away the fog of the world. Guides us to all truth.
- b. **Gives us Direction Jn. 14:26** The Holy Spirit teaches us through the word and prayer. We know which way to go in life.
- c. **Gives us Power Eph. 3:14-21** We can gain strength through the Holy Spirit. Strength to help you in the spiritual battle. Strength to make the right choices.
- d. **Gives us Confidence 1Jn. 3:21-24** We have confidence when we are close to Christ, when we obey his word and keep in step with the Spirit. **(Gal. 5:25)**

Keeping in step with the Spirit will lead us to the 2nd promise.

2. The Promise of Heaven

John 14:1-4 God has prepared a place for *you!* How does that make you feel?

2Corinthians 4:16-18 God has something far better waiting for us. Fix your eyes on that vision.

Revelation 21:1-8 Heaven will be a new place designed for God to dwell with man without the curses of this world. Overcomers not “performers” will receive all this.

We have a lot to look forward to! **Are you ready to take this step? If yes, why do you want a relationship with Jesus?**

Luke 14:25-35 “Count the Cost” Know what you’re getting into. Know your obstacles.

Be sure Jesus is Lord! Do what you need to do!