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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

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A Promise; Not A Lie!

GENESIS 4:1 NKJV – (1) Now Adam had sexual relations with his wife, Eve, and she became pregnant. When she gave birth to Cain, she said, “With the LORD’s help, I have produced a man!”

GENESIS 4:25 NKJV – (25) And Adam knew his wife again, and she bore a son and named him Seth, “For God has appointed another seed for me instead of Abel, whom Cain killed.”

What has God promise to bless you with or what has He blessed you with and later on it is taken away? Has He promised you something better. Do you really believe Him? What is it? Is it a job? Maybe you are struggling in your finances and it seems that you never have enough or perhaps any! Are you having problem with the car that you are driving? You want a new car, but can’t afford it. Maybe you are waiting on that husband or wife, but day by day it seems it is all just a lie. That’s right! God said He would, but how come things seem to be the same? (No progress).

My single brothers and sisters know this; God is about the “promise, not lies!”

Eve was blessed with a son only to lose him to Cain who murdered him. I’m sure she was depressed. Abel was the first born. A seed from God which was in the lineage to Christ! Cain was a man owned by the ways of Satan. In Genesis 3:15-16, you will notice that God mentions the seed of Eve. Remember, Abel was not born yet, but a blessing was yet to come. Abel is born and then murdered. Seems like the blessing is over or perhaps out of reach! But God blesses her with another seed, Seth. He promised that Eve would have a seed and although Abel was murdered, he was replaced. Therefore, God fulfills His promises.

God will do the same for you and me. We must realize that God wants the best for His children and as stewards of the Almighty, we must manage what He gives to us well. So, I want to give you three keys I have learned about the promises of God.

- 1) **PRIORITIES** – Make Him number one in your life. With your family, your finances, etc. **LUKE 12:29-31 NKJV** – (29) “And do not seek what you should eat or what you should drink, nor have an anxious mind. (30) For all these things the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you need these things. (31) But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you.
- 2) **FAITH** – It takes more than just saying I believe He will fulfill His promises. We must speak it! We must act on our beliefs.
- 3) **PATIENCE** – Don’t ever think God does not know your desires. He hears the prayers of the righteous. Communicate to Him and tell Him how you feel, but be patient, continue to grow and let Him mold you for your request. Be patient. **PSALMS 40:1 NKJV** – (1) I waited patiently for the Lord; and He inclined to me, and heard my cry.

Never have the mind set, “**He is going to do what He wants to do.**” Yes, God is sovereign, but He is in the business of blessing! Receive that promise and put away the lies! We can overcome all crisis because we are conquerors in Christ!

SCRIPTURE READING

LUKE 12:54 - 57

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Your request may not be denied, just delayed.

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