

# GREAT EXPECTATIONS

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No, this will not be a novel but if we could summarize the book by Charles Dickens it would be: wealth and poverty, love and rejection, and the eventual triumph of good over evil. Does the bible not have all of these themes?

What are your expectations? Are you dealing with love or rejection, or trying to see where the good and evil are in your life? If I broke it down a little more instead of generalizing it, I would probably ask you what are your expectations for:

- Life?
- Yourself?
- Retiring?
- Your goals?
- Your children?
- Your job?

I could go on with different subjects, but I think the above was enough to get your thoughts started. My question after you read those above – is – when you are asked each question, where was the Lord in relation to each subject? Hopefully I can leave some scriptures here today for you that will start to fan the flame or ignite the fire of the expectations that you should have as a believer in Jesus Christ.

**Psalm 5:3 – In the morning, LORD, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait expectantly.**

To be in a place of expecting from God can bring a sense of wonder and excitement, because you know He will answer your prayer because His word says so, but you never know to the extent He will answer or when He will answer which is good because this puts us in a place of relying on God if we continue to wait on Him and not push ahead or fall behind.

No expectation is too great for God – we can go ahead and expect great things because God does NOT disappoint.

**Deuteronomy 4:31 – For the LORD your God is a merciful God; he will not abandon or destroy you or forget the covenant with your ancestors, which he confirmed to them by oath.**

Just like a pregnant woman waits, expecting her child to be born, we wait on the Lord knowing His promises towards us AND that He will keep His promises towards our children and our children's children too. Expecting for the blessing to continue even beyond our comprehension and after we have gone on to glory is how big our God is!

**Hebrews 11:6 – And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.**

God is in the business of doing great things and He longs to reward us for our belief in Him.

BELIEVE in great things. Even if you are persecuted for your faith or judged for who you are, there is greatness that come from believing God's word over man's word. Listen, you can only expect but so much from man, because they are human and in time, they will let you down whether intentionally or not. God, however, is perfect in all His ways and He will never let you down or give you a false expectation.

Today, place your expectancies in the Lord. You can know that if You give Him all of your trust and devotion, you will never be able to match the level to which you will be given in return. As you wait on Him and start to trust Him, know that He keeps His promises and He's the ONE Who you can expect to gain much from in every area of need in your life.

Start asking yourself where your loyalties lie. What are you trusting more, a prophetic word from 2014 or God's written, established, alive, and lamp lighting word?!?

Yes, God's Word is a lamp unto your feet and a light unto your path, and you would be right on track to start expecting His word to be performed in your life starting today, EXPECT IT!

I declare today in Jesus name that every reader will start to release the white knuckled grip that they have in expectancy to anything that man has promised and they would start to reach for You Lord that they would not let their situations and schedules define who they are but that they would expect Great outcomes because of You O God – because You love and care for each person – because You are our Great Reward and I ask Lord that You would start a burning, genuine, supernatural expectation of the wonderful things You have lined up for those that seek You earnestly. I pray that each one reading will never let go of Who You are in their lives, expecting You to be all they need, in Jesus name, Amen!

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