**Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church**

**BIBLE STUDY 9/17**

**KNOW, BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE STUDIES**

**Unleashed Faith through God’s Promises to transform the world**

**QUESTION: Do you trust the promises of God?**

Easy Ans: Yes. How do you represent it?

Anyone who has faith in me will do what I’ve been doing. He will do even greater things than these…” (John 14:12)

An empowered faith can actively bring about positive change and transformation.

**Believing God’s promises involves three steps:**

1. **Know** God’s promises.
2. **Remember** God’s promises.
3. **Believe** God’s promises.

**UNLEASH YOUR FAITH, BELIEVE IT, SEE IT & BIRTH IT!**

 **Pastor Dawn Williams**

**“FAITH DOESN’T WHISPER IT ROARS” - SERMONIC NOTABLE QUOTE**

"Unleashed" suggests that faith releases a force or potential within individuals to act and bring about change.

**In the promises of God:**

**Bold proclamation of the gospel is needed**

**Acts of love and service is needed**

**Empowering ordinary people is needed**

**KNOWING WHAT GOD HAS PROMISED IS NEEDED AND NECESSARY!**

**Promise #1: I am your strength.**

“I can do all this through him who gives me strength” **(Phil 4:13)**. God will never call you into something that He is not fully willing and able to support you in. YOU alone may not have the strength but if you take your focus off of you and put it on the source of your strength (God), you will see that all things are truly possible with Him.

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**Promise #2: I will never leave you.**

“Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you” **(Deuteronomy 31:6)**. Even during the darkest, most tumultuous times of our lives, we can rest assured that God is with us, even when we can’t feel His presence.

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**Promise #3: I have plans to prosper you.**

**“**For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the Lord, ‘plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future’” **(Jeremiah 29:11)**. God did not create you just to leave you to live a mediocre life. His plans for you were formed from the beginning of time. You can step right into that promise with confidence knowing that He knows what He’s doing.

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**Promise #4: I hear your prayers.**

“And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it” **(John 14:13-14)**. God promised that if we ask anything that is in line with the character of God and His purpose, He will answer. I don’t know *how*, I don’t know *when*, but I do know he *will*answer your prayers.

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**Promise #5: I will fight for you.**

“The LORD himself will fight for you. Just stay calm” **(Exodus 14:14)**. Just like the Lord fought for the Israelites, He will fight for you. Even during the times that He calls for you to take action, *HE*will be the one to give you the strategy and still be right there with you, fighting for you.

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**Promise #6: I will give you peace.**

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid” **(John 14:27)**. Our Lord Jesus gave us His peace before he departed. This peace is not something you have to earn or even pray for, it’s yours—receive it.

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**Promise #7: I always love you.**

“In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent His only son into the world, so that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins”**(1 John 4:9-10)**. Just because we take that word lightly and throw it around without much thought, doesn’t mean God does. His love for us is not shallow and superficial, nor does it EVER change and He proved it through the sacrifice of His one and only Son.

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