

PROMISE CHASERS

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Focus Scripture

Job 33:14-15-14 NLT

For God speaks again and again, though people do not recognize it. 15 He speaks in dreams, in visions of the night, when deep sleep falls on people as they lie in their beds.

Job 33:14-15 MSG

“For God does speak—now one way, now another—though no one perceives it. In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falls on people as they slumber in their beds.

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Mark 10:13-16 NKJV:

13 Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. 14 But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God.

15 Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” 16 And He took them up in His arms, laid His hands on them, and blessed them

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Hebrews 8:11-10 (NLT):8 It was by faith that Abraham obeyed when God called him to leave home and go to another land that God would give him as his inheritance. He went without knowing where he was going. 9 And even when he reached the land God promised him, he lived there by faith—for he was like a foreigner, living in tents. And so did Isaac and Jacob, who inherited the same promise. 10 Abraham was confidently looking forward to a city with eternal foundations, a city designed and built by God

Hebrews 8:11-10 (KJV):8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went. 9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: 10 For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God

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Point #1

COME AS A CHILD!

Developing a childlike openness to the kingdom of God

Mark 10:13-16 from The Passion Translation (TPT):

13 The parents kept bringing their little children to Jesus so that he would lay his hands on them and bless them. But the disciples kept rebuking and scolding the people for doing it.

14 When Jesus saw what was happening, he became indignant with his disciples and said to them, “Let all the little children come to me and never hinder them! Don’t you know that God’s kingdom exists for such as these? 15 Listen to the truth I speak: Whoever does not open their arms to receive God’s kingdom like a teachable child will never enter it.” 16 Then he embraced each child, and laying his hands on them, he lovingly blessed each one

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Matthew 18:2-4 (NIV):

"He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. And he said: 'Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

Galatians 3:26 (NIV):

"So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.

1 John 3:1 (NIV):

"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

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Philippians 3:14

King James Version (KJV): "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 3:14

New International Version (NIV): "I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 3:14

The Passion Translation (TPT): "I run straight for the divine invitation of reaching the heavenly goal and gaining the victory-prize through the anointing of Jesus."

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Point #2

PROMISES ARE WORTH WAITING FOR....

Isaiah 40:31 in the Amplified Bible (AMP) translation:

"But those who wait for the Lord [who expect, look for, and hope in Him] Will gain new strength and renew their power; They will lift up their wings [and rise up close to God] like eagles [rising toward the sun]; They will run and not become weary, They will walk and not grow tired."

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1. **Joseph(Genesis 37-50):** Waited many years in slavery and imprisonment before rising to authority in Egypt.
2. **Hannah(1 Samuel 1):** Waited for a child and was blessed with Samuel.
3. **Abraham and Sarah(Genesis 12-21):** Waited 25 years for the birth of Isaac.
4. **Israelites in Egypt(Exodus 2-14):** Waited 430 years before being delivered from slavery.
5. **Simeon and Anna(Luke 2:25-38):** Waited in the temple to see the Messiah.
6. **Noah(Genesis 6-9):** Waited 120 years while building the ark before the flood.
7. **Moses(Exodus):** Spent 40 years in the desert before leading the Israelites out of Egypt.
8. **David(1 & 2 Samuel):** Anointed as king and waited many years, facing trials before reigning.
9. **Job(Book of Job):** Endured suffering and waited for God's restoration².
10. **Daniel(Book of Daniel):** Trusted and waited on God through various trials, including time in the lion's den.

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#3 PROMISES ARE WORTH DYING TOWARD

Hebrews 11:13-16

New King James Version (NKJV):**13** These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. **14** For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland. **15** And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return. **16** But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country.

The Passion Translation (TPT):**13** These heroes all died still clinging to their faith, not even receiving all that had been promised them. But they saw beyond the horizon the fulfillment of their promises and gladly embraced it from afar. They all lived their lives on earth as those who belonged to another realm

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John 3:16

New Living Translation (NLT): “For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.”

Amplified Bible (AMP): “For God so [greatly] loved and dearly prized the world, that He [even] gave His [One and] only begotten Son, so that whoever believes and trusts in Him [as Savior] shall not perish, but have eternal life.

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