

1 CREATION of the universe, including plants, animals and humans (Genesis 1-2)

God did not create Adam because He needed a servant. He did not create Adam because He wanted a scholar. And He did not create you and me because He needs servants or scholars. He already has enough servants in the millions of angels. He created Adam first of all that Adam might have fellowship with Him. That's why, for Adam, the law was NOT: "Six days you shall work and the seventh day you shall rest". No. That came through the Law of Moses later.

Adam was created on the sixth day. And so his very FIRST day - the seventh day for God but the first for Adam - was a day of rest and fellowship with his Creator. It was from that day of fellowship with God that Adam was to go out into the garden and serve God for the next six days.

And when we forget that order - when we forget that fellowship with God must always take precedence over our going out into His vineyard to serve Him - then we've missed the primary purpose of our creation and of our redemption.

2 WORLDWIDE FLOOD EVENT—destruction of the entire world by a divine Flood and the miraculous preservation of 8 righteous people and representative land-dwelling, air-breathing animals in the Ark. (Genesis 7-8)

View Flood and Babel movie sequence from The HOPE

4 CONFUSION OF LANGUAGES (tongues) at Babel (Genesis 11:1-9)—a world of one language instantly transformed into a world of many languages

5 SINFUL CITIES DESTROYED—destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 19:24)

6 LOT'S SUPERNATURAL DELIVERY from death at Sodom (Genesis 19)

7 SUPERNATURAL DEATH—Lot's wife turned into a "pillar of salt" (Genesis 19:26)

8 SUPERNATURAL CONCEPTION—Isaac conceived by very elderly Sarah and 100 year old Abraham at Gerar (Genesis 21:1)

ELDERLY NURSING MOTHER—Sarah was also able to naturally nurse baby Isaac. (Genesis 21:7)

The ten plagues of Egypt

Exodus 7:20-12:30

9 WATER TURNED TO BLOOD—Water everywhere became BLOOD. The fish died, and the river stank. (Exodus 7:14-25)

10 AMAZING FROG PLAGUE—God suddenly covered the land of Egypt with FROGS, and later supernaturally killed them, leaving them to make Egypt again stink (Exodus 8:2-14; Psalms 78:45; 105:30)

11 AMAZING LICE PLAGUE—"All the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt." (Exodus 8:17-18)

12 AMAZING FLY SWARMS—God sent "grievous" swarms of flies upon all the people and houses of Egypt, covering even the ground, except in the land of Goshen (where the Israelites dwelled fly-free). (Exodus 8:20-24)

13 MURRAIN suddenly killed all of Egypt's cattle (Exodus 9:3-6)

14 BOILS AND BLAINS—The 6th plague, of “boils and blains,” like the third, was sent without warning (Ex.9:8-12). It is called (Deuteronomy 28:27) “the botch of Egypt,” King James Version; but in Revised King James Version, “the boil of Egypt.” “The magicians could not stand before Moses” because of it.

15 AMAZING DEADLY HAIL WITH FIRE AND THUNDER (Exodus 9:13-33). Advanced warning was given of its coming. (Compare Psalms 18:13; 105:32-33).

16 AMAZING LOCUST PLAGUE—The plague of locusts, which covered all of Egypt, so that the land was darkened with them (Exodus 10:12-15). The Hebrew name of this insect, arbeh, points to the “multitudinous” character of this visitation. Warning was given before this plague came. Again, the nearby land of Goshen was spared.

17 LOCALIZED REGIONAL EXTREMELY DEEP DARKNESS DURING THE DAY in a land of sun—The plague (the ninth) of darkness in Egypt (Exodus 10:21) is described as darkness “which may be felt.” It covered “all the land of Egypt,” so that “they saw not one another.” It did not extend to the land of Goshen (verse 23).

18 DEATH OF ALL FIRST-BORN—people and beasts, struck by an angel of death in a single night / Israelite first-borns spared, if blood was painted around their door. (Exodus 11:1-8; 12:29-30)
Exodus miracles

19 BURNING BUSH that was not consumed (Exodus 3:3)—The voice of God spoke from it to Moses.

20 VARIOUS CLOUD MIRACLES—indicating God’s presence

- Ex. 19:9

- 29:42-43

- 40:34-35

- 1 Kings 8:10

- 2 Chr. 5:14

- Ezek. 43:4

- Pillar cloud (glory-cloud) which led the Israelites in the wilderness and rested on the ark of the covenant (Ex. 13:21-22; 33:9-10; 40:36). Also see: Shechinah.

21 MIRACULOUS SNAKE—Aaron’s staff (rod) changed into a serpent (Exodus 7:10-12). The snake then proceeded to swallow the serpent staffs of the pharaoh’s magicians.

22 RED SEA DIVIDED at just the right moment; the nation of Israel passes through on DRY GROUND. The sea then violently consumed the Egyptian army. (See: Passage of Red Sea) (Exodus 14:21-31)

23 DRINKING WATER FIXED—Bitter waters of Marah sweetened (Exodus 15:23-25)

24 MANNA sent daily to feed the Israelites, except on the Sabbath (Exodus 16:14-35)

25 WATER FROM A ROCK at Rephidim (Exodus 17:5-7)

26 NADAB and ABIHU CONSUMED for offering “strange fire” (Leviticus 10:1-2)

27 COMPLAINERS CONSUMED BY FIRE at Taberah / the destruction stopped in response to Moses’ prayer (Numbers 11:1-3)

28 EARTH OPENS AND SWALLOWS KORAH and his company. (Numbers 16:32-34)

29 250 MEN CONSUMED BY DIVINE FIRE at KADESH—“There came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed” 250 particular men fleeing the earth swallowing at Kadesh (Numbers 16:35-45)

30 SUDDEN DEADLY PLAGUE AT KADESH almost instantly killing 14,700 people, and stopped at Moses’s command as Aaron ran with an incense censer among the people to “make an atonement for them” (Numbers 16:46-50)

31 AARON’S ROD “brought forth buds, and bloomed blossoms, and yielded almonds” at Kadesh (Numbers 17:1-11)

32 WATER MIRACULOUSLY PROVIDED IN THE ZIN DESERT from a rock after being struck twice by Moses (Numbers 20:7-11)

33 FIERY SERPENTS—“The Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died” (Numbers 21:6).

34 MASS HEALING FROM IMMINENT DEATH BY LOOKING AT A BRASS SERPENT on a pole in the Zin desert—“if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.” (Numbers 21:8-9)

35 JORDAN RIVER DIVIDED, so that Israel passed over dryshod near the city of Adam (Joshua 3:14-17)

36 WALLS OF JERICHO fell down at God’s command, after the Israelites proved their faith in Him (Joshua 6:6-20)

37 SUN AND MOON STAYED MOTIONLESS (longer day) to enable the Israelites to win a crucial battle (Joshua 10:12-14)—Can we explain the “long days” of Joshua and Hezekiah? Answer

38 MEGA HAILSTORM DESTROYED THE AMORITE ARMY in a battle with Joshua (Joshua 10:12-14)

Miracles in Israel or surrounding God’s prophets

39 BALAAM’S DONKEY PROTECTS AND SPEAKS—An angel is dispatched against Balaam to express God’s anger. Balaam’s donkey (ass) repeatedly protected him from the angel and ultimately spoke to Balaam (Numbers 22:21-35)

40 SAMSON’S SUPERNATURAL STRENGTH (Judges 14-16)

41 HOLLOW PLACE IN LEHI MIRACULOUSLY SPLIT AND PRODUCED DRINKING WATER (Judges 15:19)

- 42 IDOL SUPERNATURALLY TIPPED OVER—Dagon idol falls twice before the ark of the covenant. (1 Samuel 5:1-12)
- 43 DISEASE MIRACULOUSLY STRIKES PHILISTINES—Emerods (1 Samuel 5:1-12)
- 44 SUPERNATURAL DEATHS—men of Beth-shemesh smitten for daring looking into the ark of the covenant (1 Samuel 6:19)
- 45 GREAT SUPERNATURAL THUNDER AT EBEN-EZER as Samuel was offering up a burnt offering to God. The great thunder confused and routed the Philistine army so that they could be killed by the men of Israel (1 Samuel 7:10-12)
- 46 THUNDER AND RAIN at Gilgal CoMES FROM GOD AT SAMUEL'S REQUEST at a time when it should not have rained (at harvest) (1 Samuel 12:18; Prov. 26:1)
- 47 SUPERNATURAL SOUND AT REPHAIM—God told David, "You shall not go directly up; circle around behind them and come at them in front of the balsam trees [or baka-shrubs]. It shall be, when you hear the sound of marching in the tops of the balsam trees, then you shall act promptly, for then the Lord will have gone out before you to strike the army of the Philistines." Then David did so, just as the Lord had commanded him, and struck down the Philistines from Geba as far as Gezer" (2 Samuel 5:23-25).
- 48 SUPERNATURAL DEATH—Uzzah smitten for touching the ark at Perez-uzzah (2 Samuel 6:6, 7)
- 49 DISEASE AND HEALING—Jeroboam's hand instantly withered and then restored (1 Kings 13:4-6)
- 50 PAGAN ALTAR DESTROYED—Jeroboam's new altar supernaturally destroyed at Bethel (1 Kings 13:4-6)
- 51 PROPHET KILLED BY LION immediately after disobeying God's direct command (1 Kings 13:1-26). His donkey was spared.
- 52 WIDOW'S MEAL AND OIL—a widow of Zarephath's meal and oil increased (1 Kings 17:14-16)
- 53 RESURRECTION—widow's son raised from the dead (1 Kings 17:17-24)
- 54 DROUGHT in response to Elijah's prayers (1 Kings 17-18)
- 55 SUPERNATURAL FIRE in response to Elijah's prayers (1 Kings 18:19-39)
- 56 RAIN—in clear response to prophet Elijah's prayers (1 Kings 18:41-45)
- 57 RAVENS DELIVER FOOD—prophet Elijah fed by ravens (1 Kings 17-18)
- 58 FIRE FROM HEAVEN—Ahaziah's captains consumed BY fire from heaven near Samaria (2 Kings 1:10-12)
- 59 RIVER DIVIDED—Jordan divided by Elijah and Elisha near Jericho (2 Kings 2:7, 8, 14)
- 60 SUPERNATURAL TRANSPORT—Elijah carried up into Heaven (2 Kings 2:11)

61 WATERS OF JERICHO HEALED by Elisha's casting salt into them (2 Kings 2:21, 22)

62 MIRACULOUS MASS DEATH BY BEARS—2 bears miraculously destroy 42 “young men” immediately after they mocked the prophet Elisha (2 Kings 2:24)

63 ABUNDANT WATER PROPHECIED AND MIRACULOUSLY PROVIDED FOR JEHOSHAPHAT and his allied army (2 Kings 3:16-20)—“He said, ‘Thus says the Lord, “Make this valley full of trenches.” For thus says the Lord, ‘You shall not see wind nor shall you see rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water, so that you shall drink, both you and your cattle and your beasts. This is but a slight thing in the sight of the Lord; He will also give the Moabites into your hand. ...It happened in the morning about the time of offering the sacrifice, that behold, water came by the way of Edom, and the country was filled with water” (NASB).

64 WIDOW'S OIL MULTIPLIED (2 Kings 4:2-7)

65 RESURRECTION—The Shunammite's son given, and raised from the dead at Shunem (2 Kings 4:32-37)

66 POISON EFFECTS MIRACULOUSLY REVERSED—The deadly pottage cured with meal at Gilgal (2 Kings 4:38-41)

67 HUNDRED MEN MIRACULOUSLY FED WITH 20 BARLEY LOAVES AND FRESH EARS OF GRAIN IN A SACK at Gilgal, as prophecied (2 Kings 4:42-44)

68 INSTANT LEPROSY AND HEALING—Naaman instantly healed of leprosy, Gehazi instantly afflicted with it (2 Kings 5:10-27)

69 IRON AXE-HEAD MADE TO FLOAT in the river Jordan (2 Kings 6:5-7)

70 MIND-READING PROPHECIES—Ben Hadad's secret plans discovered. Hazael's thoughts, etc., through the prophecies of Elijah (2 Kings 6:12)

71 INSTANT BLINDNESS—Syrian army smitten with blindness at Dothan (2 Kings 6:18)

72 HEALING OF BLIND ARMY—The Syrian army healed of blindness at Samaria (2 Kings 6:20)

73 RESURRECTION—Elisha's bones revive the dead (2 Kings 13:21)

74 MASS DEATH by an angel of death—Sennacherib's Assyrian army of 5,180 killed overnight by an angel near Jerusalem (2 Kings 19:35)

75 SHADOW OF SUN GOES BACK 10 DEGREES ON THE SUN-DIAL of Ahaz, Jerusalem (2 Kings 20:9-11)—Can we explain the “long days” of Joshua and Hezekiah? Answer

76 INSTANT LEPROSY—King Uzziah instantly struck with leprosy, Jerusalem (2 Chronicles 26:16-21)

77 PROTECTION WITH BLAZING FURNACE—Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego delivered from the fiery furnace in Babylon (Daniel 3:10-27)

78 PROTECTION FROM HUNGRY LIONS—Daniel saved from hungry lions in a sealed den (Dan. 6:16-23) / Those who falsely accused Daniel were then thrown to the same lions, who killed them. (Daniel 6:24)

79 JONAH SURVIVED IN THE FISH'S BELLY and safely landed (Jonah 2:1-10)—How could Jonah survive three days in the belly of a “whale”? Answer

80 GIDEON'S FLEECE—wet when it shouldn't be, and dry when it shouldn't be (Judges 6:37-40)

81 OTHER FULFILLED PROPHECIES—see: prophecy and prophets
Miracles surrounding Jesus Christ or His appointed apostles

82 FULFILLED MESSIANIC PROPHECIES (numerous—also see: prophets)

83 MIRACULOUS CONCEPTION—the incarnation of Jesus Christ by the Holy Ghost (Luke 1:35) to a virgin VIRGIN, and without genetic human parents (a Second Adam, genetically, without imputation of sin). See: Mary, mother of Jesus article

84 STAR OF BETHLEHEM appears and leads wisemen to young Christ

85 HEALING—2 blind men (Matt 9:27-31)

86 MONEY—needed tax/tribute money miraculously provided in a randomly caught fish's mouth, as promised by Jesus Christ (Matt 17:24-27)

87 HEALING—deaf and dumb man healed (Mark 7:31-37)

88 HEALING—blind man of Bethsaida (Mark 8:22-26)

89 JESUS PASSES UNSEEN through hostile crowd attempting his murder (Luke 4:28-30)

90 FISH—the miraculous draught of fishes (Luke 5:4-11)

91 RESURRECTION—the raising of the widow's son at Nain (Luke 7:11-18)

92 HEALING—woman with the spirit of infirmity (Luke 13:11-17)

93 HEALING—man with the dropsy (Luke 14:1-6)

94 HEALING—ten lepers (Luke 17:11-19)

95 HEALING—of Malchus (Luke 22:50-51)

96 WATER TURNED TO WINE (John 2:1-11)

97 HEALING—Cure of nobleman's son, Capernaum (John 4:46-54)

98 HEALING—impotent man at Bethsaida healed (John 5:1-9)

99 HEALING—man born blind healed (John 9:1-7)

- 100 RESURRECTION—Lazarus raised from the dead after (John 11:38-44)
- 101 FISH—draught of fishes instantly caught at Christ's instruction (John 21:1-14)
- 102 HEALING—Syrophenician woman's daughter healed (Matt 15:28; Mark 7:24)
- 103 LOAVES AND FISHES—4,000 fed from 7 loaves and a few little fishes (Matt 15:32; Mark 8:1)
- 104 FIG TREE destroyed (Matt 21:18; Mark 11:12)
- 105 HEALING—Centurion's servant healed (Matt 8:5; Luke 7:1)
- 106 HEALING AND EXORCISM—blind and dumb demoniac cured (Matt 12:22; Luke 11:14)
- 107 EXORCISM—demoniac cured in synagogue at Capernaum (Mark 1:23; Luke 4:33)
- 108 HEALING—Peter's wife's mother healed (Matt 8:14; Mark 1:30; Luke 4:38)
- 109 SEA STORM STILLED ON COMMAND (Matt 8:23; Mark 4:37; Luke 8:22)
- 110 EXORCISM—Demoniacs of Gadara cured (Matt 8:28; Mark 5:1; Luke 8:26)
- 111 SWINE SUICIDE—about 2,000 swine rush into the water and drown after Christ allowed demons to transfer to them from demoniacs (Mark 5:1-20)
- 112 HEALING—leper (Matt 8:2; Mark 1:40; Luke 5:12)
- 113 RESURRECTION—Jairus's daughter raised (Matt 9:23; Mark 5:23; Luke 8:41)
- 114 HEALING—woman's issue of blood healed (Matt 9:20; Mark 5:25; Luke 8:43)
- 115 HEALING—man sick of the palsy healed (Matt 9:2; Mark 2:3; Luke 5:18)
- 116 HEALING—Man's withered hand healed (Matt 12:10; Mark 3:1; Luke 6:6)
- 117 HEALING—lunatic child healed (Matt 17:14; Mark 9:14; Luke 9:37)
- 118 HEALING—2 blind men instantly healed (Matt 20:29; Mark 10:46; Luke 18:35)
- 119 JESUS WALKS ON SEA (Matt 14:25; Mark 6:48; John 6:15)
- 120 FOOD—Jesus feeds 5,000 "in a desert place" (Matt 14:15; Mark 6:30; Luke 9:10; John 6:1-14)
- 121 THE TRANSFIGURATION of Jesus Christ (Matt 17:1-8)
- 122 RESURRECTION of Jesus Christ after declared dead by Roman authorities and buried for days (John 21:1-14)
- 123 ASCENSION of Jesus Christ to Heaven (Luke 2:42-51)
- 124 HEALING—Peter and the HEALING of a the paralytic Aeneas at Lydda (Acts 9:32, 35, 38)

125 TONGUES—miraculous ability to SPEAK AND/OR UNDERSTAND A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (tongue) previously unknown to the speaker (See: Gift of tongues)

126 RESURRECTION—Tabitha (Dorcas) raised from the dead (Acts 9:36-43)

127 DIVINE INSPIRATION of Scripture (Word of God)

As we begin our walk with God one of the things you hear us mention often is that God has given us promises and that you are to live these promises out in your daily life.

We state that you cannot fully live out what God said if you do not know what He said and you also cannot experience them if you don't do what God requires of you.

I have found that most Christians who are apathetic or uninterested towards the promises of God are part of one of three groups of people:

- Many Christians are comfortable giving God their time, talent, resources and even attending services when they feel it's necessary but have not fully grasped the fact that God wants to bring so much more into their lives. Because of this, they look at Scripture and God's promises as historical fact that is not relevant or pertinent for us today.
- Other's think that they can receive all that God has for them by doing what they want to do and just do enough to get by in their daily lives. They have more passion for doing their own thing than for God and His Kingdom and therefore always find themselves falling short in their Christian endeavors wondering why they can't get their breakthrough.
- Then you have those who just don't care either way. For them this walk is a religious formality their parents told them about and they really don't understand that God wants to use them greatly to affect this generation they are in while establishing parameters around their lives for their children and grandchildren for generations to come.

Affirming this fact Jesus said in Luke 11:

11 If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? 13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!•

Although this example reflects God's desire to give us the Holy Ghost if we desire Him, the principle is that God knows what is needed and when someone asks in faith, God will give the good gifts that he promised to us.

Yes, there are some elements that we must come to grips with insomuch as:

- He is Sovereign and can do what He wants, when He wants to and how He wants to do it.
- As God, He also reserves the right to not do anything at all and still require every bit of obedience from us in spite of that fact. He is God!
- There are timings in God, yet we have the example in Scripture of the fact that there is a "fullness of times" period where what God decreed must not only be commanded in the spirit, but be manifested in the earth.

I believe that this is the season God has ushered His True Church into. Through the tests and trials that many of us have faced, He has been bringing each of us into alignment with His will.

Because you have not given up on God, through your unwavering faith and obedience to the greater will of God, you are on the cusp [the edge or the border] of seeing God do in your life what other Believer's only talk about.

Some things are going to be so obvious that God will be glorified through your unwavering faith and persistence. You will have demonstrated that the promises of God are fulfilled through extending both faith and patience.

This reality will set you up to do even greater things for God in the coming days as God uses your past experiences to reveal "His ways" to you. Hebrews 3:

- 7 Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says: "Today, if you will hear His voice, 8 Do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, in the day of trial in the wilderness, 9 Where your fathers tested Me, tried Me, and saw My works forty years. 10 Therefore I was angry with that generation, and said, 'They always go astray in their heart, and they have not known My ways.' 11 So I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest.' •

The days of wanting to see only God's works are over and God is moving His people to know and understand His very heart.

When speaking of the promises of God and the desire of God to cause these promises to find fulfillment in the earth, the first thing God needs is "Someone who will believe Him and through their obedience, position themselves so they can enjoy them." •

This is why God chose Abraham initially as the person in the earth that He made promises of physical and spiritual blessings to and then God bound Himself to an oath that He could not renege on.

Romans 4

- 20 He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, 21 and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform. 22 And therefore "it was accounted to him for righteousness." •
- 23 Now it was not written for his sake alone that it was imputed [credited] to him, 24 but also for us. It shall be imputed to us who believe in Him who raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead, 25 who was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification.

This is a powerful example of how we are to live out our lives in the earth. This promise of eternal life through Christ's sacrifice is something we cannot fully understand.

This is not a New Testament principle, but a principle that was set in motion from the foundations of the world! even as John referred to Christ in Revelation 13:8 as "the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." •

A promise is "A declaration of intent to perform a certain task or give a certain thing. There are times when something is not required on the part of the beneficiary and other times when a specific act of obedience is required." •

With this said, when God made the promise to Abraham that he would be blessed, receiving houses and lands and that he would also be used to bring a spiritual Seed into the earth that was going to redeem all mankind, God swore by Himself because he knew he could not trust Abraham.

Therefore there was nothing else required on Abraham's part except to believe that God would do what God said He would do.

Hebrews 6 says:

13 For when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, 14 saying, "Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you."• 15 And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise. •

Therefore we have to determine what these promises are so we can extend faith to get them into our lives.

Concerning "God's declaration of intent• [promise] to Abraham, Romans 4:20 again says, Abraham "did not waver at that promise through unbelief. •

The word waver as used here means, "To be in strife with oneself, i.e., to doubt, hesitate. • This is the exact opposite of what Abraham did where he believed what God said. Once God's promise was made, without hesitating and with confidence Abraham knew that God was going to do what He said.

This does not mean that everything went off without a hitch. We know that Abraham had to experience the "process of time• and in this period he and Sarah tried to bring the promise to pass themselves and produced a son that was not God's intention. This was not an indictment against Abraham believing God, but Abraham coming to progressively know what true faith was.

When we approach the Word of God we must do so knowing that this is God speaking to us. When we see a promise, we must not let our understanding of things, our education or our experiences to elevate themselves above what God says.

This is where we grow in the things of God and learn what spiritual warfare actually is because when a promise is given it is often accompanied by an attack from the devil as he tries to steal what God said from our hearts.

Satan's intent is to frustrate us in our walk with God and try to get us to believe that God lied to us and will not do what He said He is going to do. This is where we take control of our thoughts and minds and give God His proper place in our lives.

Second Corinthians 10 says:

3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. 4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, 6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

It's our own thoughts that become the stumbling block between us and the fulfillment of God's promises in our lives.

We must learn to fight with the Word of God against not only negative thoughts but carnal thoughts and experiential thoughts [thoughts based on our past experiences].

These are things that are trying to exalt themselves above the knowledge of God and keep you from experiencing God's best.

So for us "God's declaration of Intent" must be met with faith and patience. We must have a heart that takes God at His Word and understand that Second Corinthians 1:20 is God's desire for His people.

For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us. 21 Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, 22 who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

For the promises of God to be fulfilled in our lives, we must have hearts that are opposed to sin and sinning while being repentant when we do miss it.

We must know that sinning is more than committing a sexual sin, lying, cheating, stealing, and abusing the body as the Temple of God.

"Sin is any and all acts of disobedience to God that we allow to go on in an unrepentant fashion. When you know better, you're required by God to do better.

The reality is that you don't need a preacher to tell you what sin is. Long before you came to church and gave your life over to Jesus Christ, the Holy Ghost was convicting you of sin and drew you to Himself through a heart that was tired of living in opposition to His will.

Once we're saved it's not "the act of sin" that keeps you separated from God, but allowing those thoughts, words and actions to go unchecked without a desire to rid them from your life.

Understanding that Romans 2:4 says "The goodness of God leads us to repentance" we see that having a life of repentance is an indication that God is working in your heart. The conviction of the Holy Ghost when you do something wrong is God shedding more of His love and affirmation on you.

Therefore the habits and sins that we really want to get rid of cannot stand because "Greater is He that's in you than he that's in the world."

The promise from God I want to leave you with today is that Jesus was manifested [unveiled or revealed] to destroy the works of the devil.

In First John 3, we have a vital command from God for His people to align their daily lives with Him.

No matter what satan's trying to keep you in, no matter what lie he told you, no matter how long he's been at his mission in your life, it cannot stand when the child of God realizes they no longer belong to satan and he was and remains defeated because of Jesus Christ.

But thank God for Jesus! First John 3 says:

- 7 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. 8 He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. 9 Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.

These works of the devil are obvious being, "Deception, bondage, sickness, fear, oppression and poverty." However, there is also the fact that his works include everything that stands in opposition to what God promised you as a Believer.

When our families are not saved, it's one of the works, when our minds are tormented, it's one of his works, when God promised you His peace and your mind is racing, it's one of his works.

We must identify God's promises and use the victory of Christ on Calvary to enforce them in our lives.

These promises are going to be identified going forward and we will believe with you for the fulfillment of them.

I Serve a God

That mountains are still being moved

Strongholds are still being loosed

God, we believe

'Cause yes, we can see it

That wonders are still what you do

And bodies are still being raised

Giants are still being slayed

God, we believe

Yes, we can see it

That wonders are still what you do