

Fully Persuaded
(Romans 4: 20,21)

The patriarch Abraham, like so many of the men and women in the Bible, had his severe trials and testing during his earthly pilgrimage. At times these trials offered him nothing tangible on which to hold but the hope that God himself had promised. Today's text in Romans states that Abraham did not stagger at God's promise, but was fully persuaded of it. When tracing the course of his life we find that God indeed performs what He promises.

In reading the full volume of the Scriptures, we discover the depth of God's wonderful plan for all of mankind and His countless promises which generate the hope necessary for man to fight the good fight and finish his course. From the first promise in Genesis of the woman's seed bruising the serpent's head, to the last promise in Revelation of our Lord's soon return, each is a jewel of precious hope. Each one of them encourages the weary and fearful to hold on to the God who has never failed to keep His word. God promises to save us when we call upon Him, to supply our daily needs when we seek Him first, to renew our strength when we wait on Him, to answer us when we call unto him, to have success when we meditate on His word, to keep us in perfect peace when our mind is stayed on Him, to manifest Himself to us when we keep his commands, to draw near to us when we draw near to Him, to be sealed with His spirit when we trust in Him, to direct our paths when we acknowledge Him, to be with us through the valley of death when we claim Him as our Good Shepherd. Time would fail to tell of all the others, but every one of them is yea and amen, and as the apostle Peter states, they are exceeding great and precious promises.

So, as we go about the path God had planned for us this day, may we rest on His promises and be fully persuaded of each and every one of them.

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