

PRESENCE AND PROTECTION

PROMISES - WEEK FOUR

Presence defined: being present with others; attendance or company; immediate vicinity; proximity; military or economic power of one country in another; immediate personal vicinity of a king; ability to project a sense of ease, poise, or self-assurance,

I. The _____ of His _____

Psalm 15:1-3 Who may worship in your sanctuary, Lord? Who may enter your presence on your holy hill? ²Those who lead blameless lives and do what is right, speaking the truth from sincere hearts. ³Those who refuse to gossip or harm their neighbors or speak evil of their friends.

A. _____ for His Presence

Genesis 3:8 When the cool evening breezes were blowing, the man and his wife heard the Lord God walking about in the garden.

B. _____ on His Presence

Genesis 4:11-14. ^{12b}From now on you will be a homeless wanderer on the earth.” ¹³Cain replied to the Lord, “My punishment is too great for me to bear! ¹⁴You have banished me from the land and from **your presence**; you have made me a homeless wanderer.

C. _____ by His Presence

Psalms 89:15 “Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, Lord.”

II. The Benefits of His Presence

Psalm 16:11 “You will show me the way of life, granting me the joy of your presence and the pleasures of living with you forever.”

A. _____

Psalm 21:6 “You have endowed him with eternal blessings and given him the joy of your presence.” See Psalm 5:11

B. _____

Psalm 37:25 Once I was young, and now I am old. Yet I have **never** seen the godly **abandoned** or their children begging for bread.

C. _____

Psalm 37:27-29 Turn from evil and do good, and you will live in the land forever. For the Lord loves justice, and he will never abandon the godly. He will keep them safe forever, but the children of the wicked will die. The godly will possess the land and will live there forever.

D. _____ and _____

Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.

Hebrews 13:5-6 God has said, “I will never fail you. I will never abandon you.” So we can say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me?”

E. _____

Psalm 31:20-21 You hide them in the shelter of your presence, safe from those who conspire against them. You shelter them in your presence, far from accusing tongues. Praise the Lord, for he has shown me the wonders of his unfailing love. He kept me safe when my city was under attack.

See Psalm 42:4-5, Psalm 91:1-7

F. _____

1 Kings 8:56-58 “Praise the Lord who has given rest to his people Israel, just as he promised. Not one word has failed of all the wonderful promises he gave through his servant Moses. ⁵⁷May the Lord our God be with us as he was with our ancestors; may he never leave us or abandon us. ⁵⁸May he give us the desire to do his will in everything and to obey all the commands, decrees, and regulations that he gave our ancestors.

OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECIES ABOUT JESUS

12. He would appear before the destruction of Jerusalem

Daniel 9:26 "After this period of sixty-two sets of seven, the Anointed One will be killed, appearing to have accomplished nothing, and a ruler will arise whose armies will destroy the city and the Temple. The end will come with a flood, and war and its miseries are decreed from that time to the very end."

History: The Romans destroyed Jerusalem in 70 A.D.

13. He would be born in Bethlehem

Micah 5:2 "But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, are only a small village among all the people of Judah. Yet a ruler of Israel, whose origins are in the distant past will come from you on my behalf."

See Matthew 2:1-5

14. Isaiah foreshadowed the virgin birth of Jesus

Isaiah 7:13,14 Then Isaiah said, "Listen well, you royal family of David! Isn't it enough to exhaust human patience? Must you exhaust the patience of my God as well? ¹⁴ All right then, the Lord himself will give you the sign. Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel (which means 'God is with us')

See Luke 1:35

15. He would be called Immanuel (God with us)

Isaiah 7:14 Watch for this: A girl who is presently a virgin will get pregnant. She'll bear a son and name him Immanuel (God-With-Us).

See Matthew 1:23

16. He would be preceded by a forerunner

Isa. 40:3-4 Listen! It's the voice of someone shouting, "Clear the way through the wilderness for the Lord! Make a straight highway through the wasteland for our God! Fill in the valleys, and level the mountains and hills. Straighten the curves, and smooth out the rough places.

See Matthew 3:1-4

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