

Before you read this, I would like you to take a minute to pray this prayer;  
“God, open my eyes to see how this writing applies to me today”.

# **Star Light**

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Like stars, shine through the dark night sky

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## Why Should I Believe You?

**A**fter she had listened to Daniel for over thirty minutes reaffirming his love and making grand promises, Grace calmly asked; “Why should I believe you?” Daniel was taken aback, but quickly composed himself to hide his shock. “You have not kept a single promise you made me since the start of this relationship”, Grace continued. “You have lied every single step of the way. Besides, how are you going to fulfill these promises you have just made?” Daniel could not answer, he had lied to Grace more times than he could remember, he had made promises that were well beyond his capacity to deliver, thus adding to the already long list of the lies he had told her! Grace walked out, ending a six-month-old relationship. What a tragic waste!

There is Someone who has been trying to woo you, He has made you so many grand promises, some unbelievably so. For example (just to mention a few);

1. “Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love ...” (Jeremiah 31:3-7 NKJV)
2. ‘For I know the plans I have for you,’ says the Lord. ‘They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope’ (Jeremiah 29:11 NLT).
3. ‘Do not be afraid of them [or their hostile faces], For I am with you [always] to protect you and deliver you,’ says the Lord. ’ (Jeremiah 1:8 AMP).
4. “If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the

best of the land” (Isaiah 1:19 AMP).

5. “... I will not make you suffer any of the diseases I sent on the Egyptians; for I am the Lord who heals you.” (Exodus 15:26 NLT).
6. “Whenever you cry out to me, I’ll answer. I’ll be with you in troubling times. I’ll save you and glorify you” (Psalms 91:15 CEB).
7. “I will answer them before they even call to me. While they are still talking about their needs, I will go ahead and answer their prayers! (Isaiah 65:24 NLT).

But why should you and I believe and trust this our Suitor? Is there something about Him that sets Him apart from others for which we can lay hold of and have Him endeared to our hearts?

**A. His Integrity:** This our Suitor; the LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, is a Man of integrity! How do I know this? By reading what those who have interacted with Him, those who accepted His love overtures, wrote:

- i. “God is not a man, so he does not lie. He is not human, so he does not change his mind. Has he ever spoken and failed to act? Has he ever promised and not carried it through?” (Numbers 23:19 NLT).
- ii. “For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed” (Malachi 3:6 NLT).
- iii. “GOD visited Sarah exactly as he said he would; GOD did to Sarah what he promised: Sarah became pregnant and gave Abraham a

son in his old age, and at the very time God had set" (Genesis 21:1-3 MSG).

- iv. "He is the same yesterday, today, and forever" (Hebrew 13:8).

There is abundant evidence pointing to the fact that God has integrity. He declared; "As long as the earth remains, there will be planting and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night" (Genesis 8:22 NLT); have you ever woken up and couldn't find the sun? Integrity! He declared to Abraham, "You can be sure that your descendants will be strangers in a foreign land, where they will be oppressed as slaves for 400 years. But I will punish the nation that enslaves them, and in the end they will come away with great wealth" (Genesis 15:13-14 NLT) and He did bring them out of slavery ("On this night the Lord kept his promise to bring his people out of the land of Egypt" – Exodus 12:42 NLT); integrity!

We can trust our Suitor; He has integrity, He is dependable, and He is reliable. His Word is always true. But His integrity alone is not sufficient! A man may be well meaning and sincere yet be unable to keep his word; that is why we need His second character:

- B. **His Ability:** Not only is God a God of integrity, being true to Himself, **He is able to do what He says He will do.** He has ability to do.
- i. "Glory to **God, who is able to do** far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us" (Ephesians 3:20 NKJV, emphasis added).
- ii. "I am God, the God of everything living. **Is there anything I can't do?**" (Jeremiah 32:27 MSG, emphasis added).
- iii. "Dear God, my Master, you created earth and sky by your great power—by merely stretching out your arm! **There is nothing you can't do**" (Jeremiah 32:17 MSG,

emphasis added).

- iv. "**The things that are impossible with people are possible with God**" (Luke 18:27 AMP, emphasis added); no wonder the Bible says He's not a man (Numbers 23:19).

Because God is a God of integrity and a God of ability, we can trust Him, we can depend on Him, and we can rely on Him. We can trust His promises because He will keep His Word (for "For You have magnified Your word above all Your name" – Psalm 138:2) and He is able to do as He has promised.

What promises has God made you as seen in Scriptures? What promises has He made you through prophecies, dreams, and visions? You can believe Him, you can trust Him, you can have faith in Him to fulfill them; He is **dependable** and **able**.



But first, you must accept His courtship; He is wooing you "I am at the door knocking" (Revelations 3:20). Do you want to open the door of your heart to Him to come in? Say this prayer:

"Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner. I believe You died for my sins so I could be forgiven, You rose from the dead that I may have a new life. Forgive me my sins as I turn from them today. I ask you to come into my life today to be my Lord. I ask the Holy Spirit to help me live for you alone. Amen".