The plans of the Almighty God

Jer 29:11. **11**For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

1. The thoughts or plans of God for us are good and peaceful. Sometimes, He reveals those thoughts to us in the form of promises or plans for us or even in the testimonies of His power in the past.
2. God doesn’t just give these promises to just anybody. The promise in the bible was made to the people who had covenant with God not just to anybody who would choose to dishonor the Lord.

Give 5 to 10 examples of scriptures with promise that people commonly use

Philippians 4:13. I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Ps 18:2

**2**The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.

**3**I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine “enemies.”

My rock, the rock of my strength” His strength cannot diminish or fail. When I stand upon Him, and no troubles too big or too small that I cannot overcome, or no challenges can pull me down because He gives me strength to stand against the storms and the tides.

“My fortress” He gives me strength and replenishes my strength to fight and win all the battles of the enemies. Jer 15:20

“My strength and my deliverer” Jesus my strength and the source of my strength. My strength to live, move and to be alive now and forever. Acts 17:28

**Col 2**

**6**So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, **7rooted** and **built up in him**, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

**10**And ye are **complete** in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

Ps 27

**4**One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple.

**5**For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock. THAT HE MAY BE A FOUNDATION OF STRENGTH FOR ME

Jesus is my strength when I am poor (When I don’t have sufficiency in material things (food, clothing, shoes), PS 34:10 **10**The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing.

my strength when no parent or friend was around to look after me (Ps 27:9-10, **9**Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

**10**When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up.

My strength when I am distressed and troubled ps34:17 **17**The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

My strength amidst the storms of life. Is43:2 **2**When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

My strength when the heat is too much to bear, the shadows of His wings strengthens me, He keeps me in His secret place. Is 25:4

For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall.

My strength to stand against evil attacks when the Satan and his demonic agents worked hard, tried hard to pull me down. Ps 91, ps 27:1-3; Deut 28:7, 1 peter 5:8-9 **8**Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. **9**Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

Day 2

Confidence of victory against the enemy that we will win 100% of the time:

Who is an enemy Ex 15:9 **9**The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.

1 peter 5:8-9 **8**Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.  (Deuteronomy 31:6) “Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you”

Ps 91, ps 27:1-3; Deut 28:7 **7**The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

If God is for us, who can be against us?

Confidence of answered prayers that when we cry to Him, He will hear us (John 14:13-14) “And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it” 1 peter 5:7 **7**Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

Confidence of fellowship with the trinity John 14:23 (**23**Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.)

Peace:(John 14:27). “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid”

Help: **ps 118: 7** The Lord taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall I see my desire upon them that hate me.

Ps 46 **46**God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Is41:10. **10**Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

Protection Ps121

**121**I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

**2**My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

**3**He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

**4**Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

**5**The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

**6**The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

**7**The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.

**8**The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

Day 3

Healing: Jere 33 **6**Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.

Is53:5

**5**But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Ps 118:17 **17**I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

No pertaking in untimely death. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

Powerful name Prov 18:10 The name of the Lord is a strong tower and the righteous runneth into and he’s saved.

matthew 16:19

**19**And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Phi 2:9-11. **9**Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

**10**That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

**11**And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father

Ps 23:1 The Lord is my spherherd , I shall not want, read the entire chapter

**23**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**2**He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

**3**He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

**4**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

**5**Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

**6**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The power to crush the works of darkness, Luke 10:19 **19**Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Life of blessings Deut 28:1-14

**28**If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. **2**All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God:

**3**You will be blessed in the city and blessed in the country.

**4**The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock—the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks.

**5**Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed.

**6**You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out.

**7**The Lord will grant that the enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you. They will come at you from one direction but flee from you in seven.

**8**The Lord will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to. The Lord your God will bless you in the land he is giving you.

**9**The Lord will establish you as his holy people, as he promised you on oath, if you keep the commands of the Lord your God and walk in obedience to him. **10**Then all the peoples on earth will see that you are called by the name of the Lord, and they will fear you. **11**The Lord will grant you abundant prosperity—in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your ground—in the land he swore to your ancestors to give you.

**12**The Lord will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none. **13**The Lord will make you the head, not the tail. If you pay attention to the commands of the Lord your God that I give you this day and carefully follow them, you will always be at the top, never at the bottom. **14**Do not turn aside from any of the commands I give you today, to the right or to the left, following other gods and serving them.

Rest: Matt 11:28, Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Every promise of God reveals God’s plan for the people who receive the promise.

God’s promises are trustworthy and dependable and shall not fail

Is 14:24, 27

**24**The Lord of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand:

**27**For the Lord of hosts hath purposed, and who shall disannul it? and his hand is stretched out, and who shall turn it back?

Matt 24:35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

Is55:10-11: **10**For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

**11**So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

**God gives His promise and reveals and performs His plans to those that are entrusted to honor Him with reverence and fear of the Lord.**

[Genesis 17:4](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%2017%3A4&version=KJV)

As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a **father** **of** many **nations**.

**Geneesis 18**

**18**Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

**19**For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment; that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

God’s promise to Abraham was to become the father of nations and it came to pass. Abraham was a very faithful man and his actions showed the heavy weight of the honor and respect that he had for God.

God also made a promise to Abraham that his seeds would be in bondage in Egypt and would be liberated after 400 yrs and it came to pass.

Genesis 15

**13**And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

**14**And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.

**15**And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age

Genesis 25:7-8

King James Version

**7**And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, an hundred threescore and fifteen years.

**8**Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years; and was gathered to his people.

Another example was Joseph, God planned and revealed to Joseph to be the head in his family and it came to pass.

Joseph served the Lord with all his heart and strength and honored Him in every respect of thinking and morals.

Numbers 20:2-12; Moses case, dishonored the Lord lost the promised land.

**2**And there was no water for the congregation: and they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron.

**3**And the people chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God that we had died when our brethren died before the Lord!

**4**And why have ye brought up the congregation of the Lord into this wilderness, that we and our cattle should die there?

**5**And wherefore have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this evil place? it is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither is there any water to drink.

**6**And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they fell upon their faces: and the glory of the Lord appeared unto them.

**7**And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying,

**8**Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink.

**9**And Moses took the rod from before the Lord, as he commanded him.

**10**And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock, and he said unto them, Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch you water out of this rock?

**11**And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts also.

**12**And the Lord spake unto Moses and Aaron, Because ye believed me not, to sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given them.

The case of Eli and his children 1 sam 2:12-17; 27-36

1 Samuel 2:12-17

King James Version

**12**Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial; they knew not the Lord.

**13**And the priest's custom with the people was, that, when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant came, while the flesh was in seething, with a fleshhook of three teeth in his hand;

**14**And he struck it into the pan, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; all that the fleshhook brought up the priest took for himself. So they did in Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came thither.

**15**Also before they burnt the fat, the priest's servant came, and said to the man that sacrificed, Give flesh to roast for the priest; for he will not have sodden flesh of thee, but raw.

**16**And if any man said unto him, Let them not fail to burn the fat presently, and then take as much as thy soul desireth; then he would answer him, Nay; but thou shalt give it me now: and if not, I will take it by force.

**17**Wherefore the sin of the young men was very great before the Lord: for men abhorred the offering of the Lord.

1 Samuel 2:27-36

King James Version

**27**And there came a man of God unto Eli, and said unto him, Thus saith the Lord, Did I plainly appear unto the house of thy father, when they were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house?

**28**And did I choose him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest, to offer upon mine altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? and did I give unto the house of thy father all the offerings made by fire of the children of Israel?

**29**Wherefore kick ye at my sacrifice and at mine offering, which I have commanded in my habitation; and honourest thy sons above me, to make yourselves fat with the chiefest of all the offerings of Israel my people?

**30**Wherefore the Lord God of Israel saith, I said indeed that thy house, and the house of thy father, should walk before me for ever: but now the Lord saith, Be it far from me; for them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed.

**31**Behold, the days come, that I will cut off thine arm, and the arm of thy father's house, that there shall not be an old man in thine house.

**32**And thou shalt see an enemy in my habitation, in all the wealth which God shall give Israel: and there shall not be an old man in thine house for ever.

**33**And the man of thine, whom I shall not cut off from mine altar, shall be to consume thine eyes, and to grieve thine heart: and all the increase of thine house shall die in the flower of their age.

**34**And this shall be a sign unto thee, that shall come upon thy two sons, on Hophni and Phinehas; in one day they shall die both of them.

**35**And I will raise me up a faithful priest, that shall do according to that which is in mine heart and in my mind: and I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before mine anointed for ever.

**36**And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left in thine house shall come and crouch to him for a piece of silver and a morsel of bread, and shall say, Put me, I pray thee, into one of the priests' offices, that I may eat a piece of bread.

God’s promise and plans for Eli’s family were cut off and derailed because Eli’s children did not give the honor and respect to God with all their evil manners.

Acts 5:38-39 Plans originated from man can fail but if it is of God it cannot fail except when the people who had received the promise and plans misbehaved and careless to dishonor God.

The plan of God for man is to be saved. This plan cannot fail, just like the previous examples, it will come to pass. However, we get rolled into this plan by choice. Acts 4:12 **12**Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved..

Although a person may fail at making the right choice to be saved, it does not mean that God will fail at His plans for man’s salvation.

John1:12 **12**Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God

Jesus said the dead will hear his voice and some to eternal life and others to hell.

Today, make a decision, his plan will come to pass whether you like it or not.

John 12

**49**For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.

**50**And I know that his commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto me, so I speak.

John11:25

**25**Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

**John 5:25-29**

**25**Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

**26**For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;

**27**And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.

**28**Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

**29**And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.