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“Promises” (9)

“... [God.] has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.” (2 Peter 1:4)

Promise of Parental Guidance for Us

Romans 8:15-16 – (15) “...you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ (16) The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God”

Psalms 27:10 – “For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the LORD will take me in.”

Isaiah 63:16 – “For you are our Father, though Abraham does not know us, and Israel does not acknowledge us; you, O LORD, are our Father, our Redeemer from of old is your name.”

Promise of Parental Guidance for Our Children

Genesis 15:13-14 – (13) “Then the LORD said to Abram, ‘Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. (14) But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions.’”

2 Samuel 7:12-15 – (12) “When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. (13) He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. (14) I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, (15) but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you.”

Isaiah 44:3-5 – (3) “For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit upon your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants. (4) They shall spring up among the grass like willows by flowing streams. (5) This one will say, ‘I am the LORD’s,’ another will call on the name of

Jacob, and another will write on his hand, ‘The LORD’s’, and name himself by the name of Israel.”

Isaiah 54:13 – “**All your children shall be taught by the LORD**, and great shall be the peace of your children.”

Key Point: God Tends to Us & Our Children
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What’s a Parent to Do?

Advance a God-Centered Orientation

“Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.” (Ephesians 6:4)

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6)

Trust God Concerning Our Children

“She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD and wept bitterly. And she vowed a vow and said, ‘O LORD of hosts, if you will indeed look on the affliction of your servant and remember me and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a son, then I will give him to the LORD all the days of his life...’” (1 Samuel 1:10-11)