## The Promises of God

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(2 Peter 1:4) (God) has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

(Titus 3:3-8) At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying. And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for everyone.

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2.	"I will free you."
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	(Romans 7:25-8:2) So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to
	w, but in the sinful nature a slave to the law of sin. Therefore,
there is	now no commendation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because
through	Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of
sin and	
3.	"I will redeem you."
	God promises me
	(Ephesians 1:11-12 MSG) It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone.
4.	"I will take you as my own people."
	God promises me
	(John 10:10) The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.