

# The Blessing of Surrender When You Know The Outcome!

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# I Surrender All

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Numbers 23:19  
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NT scripture see Titus 1:2 and Heb. 6:18



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# Definitions

Blessing- Spiritual favor; spiritual inheritance.

Surrender- to yield to the power, control, or possession of another; to give oneself up into the power of another. Matt. 26:39 (My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as i will but as you will).

Outcome- result; in the spiritual realm and outcome is a promise.





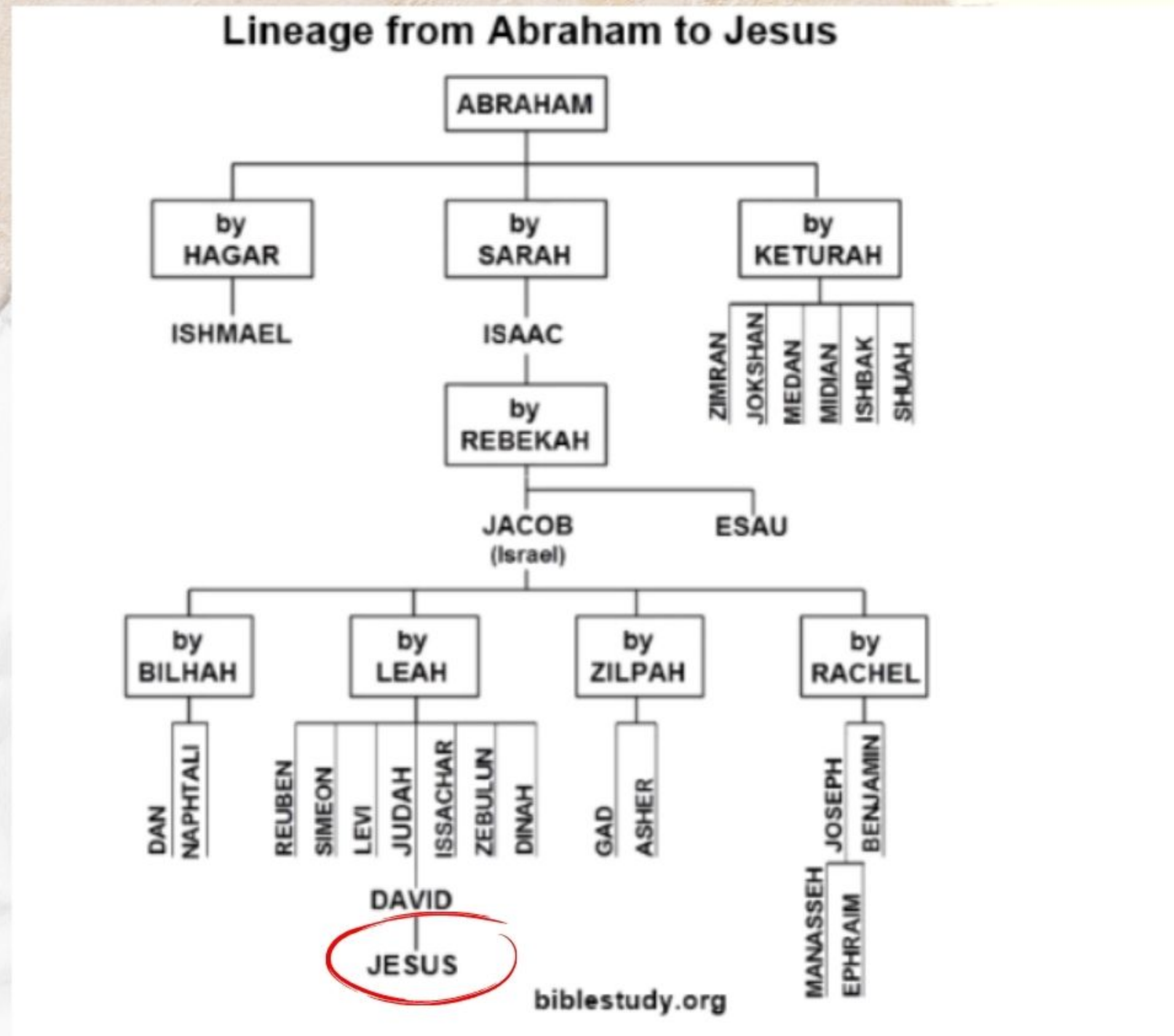
Background & Family  
History of Rebekah



# Let's look at the family tree!

Gen. 22:17-18  
Promise to Abraham

Matt. 1:1-17  
lineage of Jesus





# Finding a Wife

GEN. 24

- Abraham- sends his servant out to look for a wife for Isaac among his country and relatives. (Gen. 24:6-8)
- Servant departs for Abrahams country and prays to God that He show him which woman is the right woman for Isaac.
- Servant asks for a sign and Rebekah leaves her family behind becomes Isaac's wife. (24:12-19, 57-61)



# Abraham's Death

## GEN. 25

- Abraham- dies and leaves everything to Isaac
- While still living, he gave gifts to sons of concubines and sent them away from his son Isaac to the land of the East. (25:1-6)
- Isaac and Ishmael bury Abraham (Gen. 25:9)
- Short account of Ishmael. Ishmael descendants settle in the area near the eastern border of Egypt.(25:12-18)



# Rebekah (the Mother)

## GEN. 25

- Rebekah was barren. Isaac pleaded with the Lord to because she was childless and God answered his prayer. (Gen 25:21)
- When she became pregnant, the babies jostled in her so much that she asked God what was happening. (Gen 25:22)
- God said she has two nations in her womb and the older one would serve the youngest and the two nations will be rivals. Gen (25:23)



# Rebekah (the Mother)

## GEN. 26

- Esau- Oldest, red complexion, hairy. The name Esau means hairy. He was a hunter. Favored by Isaac. (Gen 25:25)
- Jacob- Youngest, came out grasping the heel of Esau. His name means “he grasps the heel” (a Hebrew idiom for he deceives). Jacob was content to stay at home. Favored by Rebekah (Gen. 25:26)
- Jacobs first deception to steal Esau’s birthright. **Let’s read.** (Gen 25:29-34).



# The Deceit of Isaac and Rebekah

## GEN. 26

- Famine in the land; Isaac goes to Abimelek king of the Philistines in Gerar.
- Lord tells him not to go to Egypt and to live in the land where He tells him to live but until then stay in Gerar. God blessed him and confirmed the oath he swore to Abraham which was to give all the lands to Isaac's descendants. (All of this because Abraham obeyed and did everything required of God Gen 26:1-5)
- Isaac tells the men of Gerar that Rebekah is his sister for fear of his life but Abimelech figures out they are husband and wife because Isaac was caressing Rebekah. (Gen 26:7) (Gerar the same place where Abraham almost comprimised his wife Sarah (Gen. 20:1-18) Side note, Abraham committed this same lie!



# The Deceit of Isaac and Rebekah

## GEN. 26

- Abimelech confronts Isaac and ask why he had done that? He knew God would have punished them if one of the men slept with Rebekah.
- Abimelech gave orders not to harm Isaac and Rebekah.
- Isaac then plants crops in the land which reaped a hundredfold because the Lord blessed him. He became rich and his wealth continued to grow. He had so many flocks, herds, and servants that the Philistines envied him. Abimelech tells them to move away.
- Isaac and Rebekah leave and settle in the Valley of Gerar. Dispute over water rights. Phillistines filled in wells that his father Abraham dug after Abraham's death. God reconfirm's to Isaac the promise, the people make peace with Isaac because the Lord is with him, and provides them water. (Gen. 26:10-33)



# Rebekah

## GEN. 27

- Isaac had bad eyesight and was on his deathbed and makes a request to Esau for savory food that Esau hunted. In spite of what he knows, he insists on giving the blessing to Esau. (Gen. 27:1-4)
- Rebekah overheard this conversation and advises Jacob to deceive his father Isaac. In spite of what she knows, she insists on stepping in to make God's plan happen. Jacob pauses and questions the plan.
- Rebekah prepares the savory food, put the clothes of Esau on Jacob, and sent him to deceive his father. Isaac is convinced by Jacob that he is Esau and blesses Jacob. (Gen. 27:5-29)



# Rebekah

## GEN. 27

- Once Esau learns from his father that his blessing was stolen by Jacob, he vows to kill Jacob once Isaac is dead. (Gen. 27:41)
- Again, Rebekah steps in and deceives Isaac into sending Jacob away using the excuse of the Hittite women until Esau cools off. Isaac sends Jacob to Paddan-aram away with a warning not to marry a Canaanite woman.
- Jacob flees and Esau went to Ishmael and married women from the family of his uncle. Rebekah loses both of her sons. (Gen. 27:42-Gen. 28:9)
- Later in Gen 32 Jacob and Esau reconcile. The only other mentions of Rebekah are as their mother (Rom. 9:10) and her burial place in 49:31. Isaac was mentioned in Heb. 11:20. (Hall of faith)



# Lessons from Rebekah

- When we know the promise but don't surrender control, are we making God a liar? (Rebekah knew the outcome but still tried to control the outcome).

Surrender control.

- God is in control. We must have faith that God will guide us in His plan.

- Don't let your faith in \_\_\_\_\_ (you fill in the blank) take over the faith you have in God! Don't let your faith in those people or things become bigger than your faith in God! Trust him.

- Despite our failures, God still uses us for His glory.



# What Does God Promise Us?



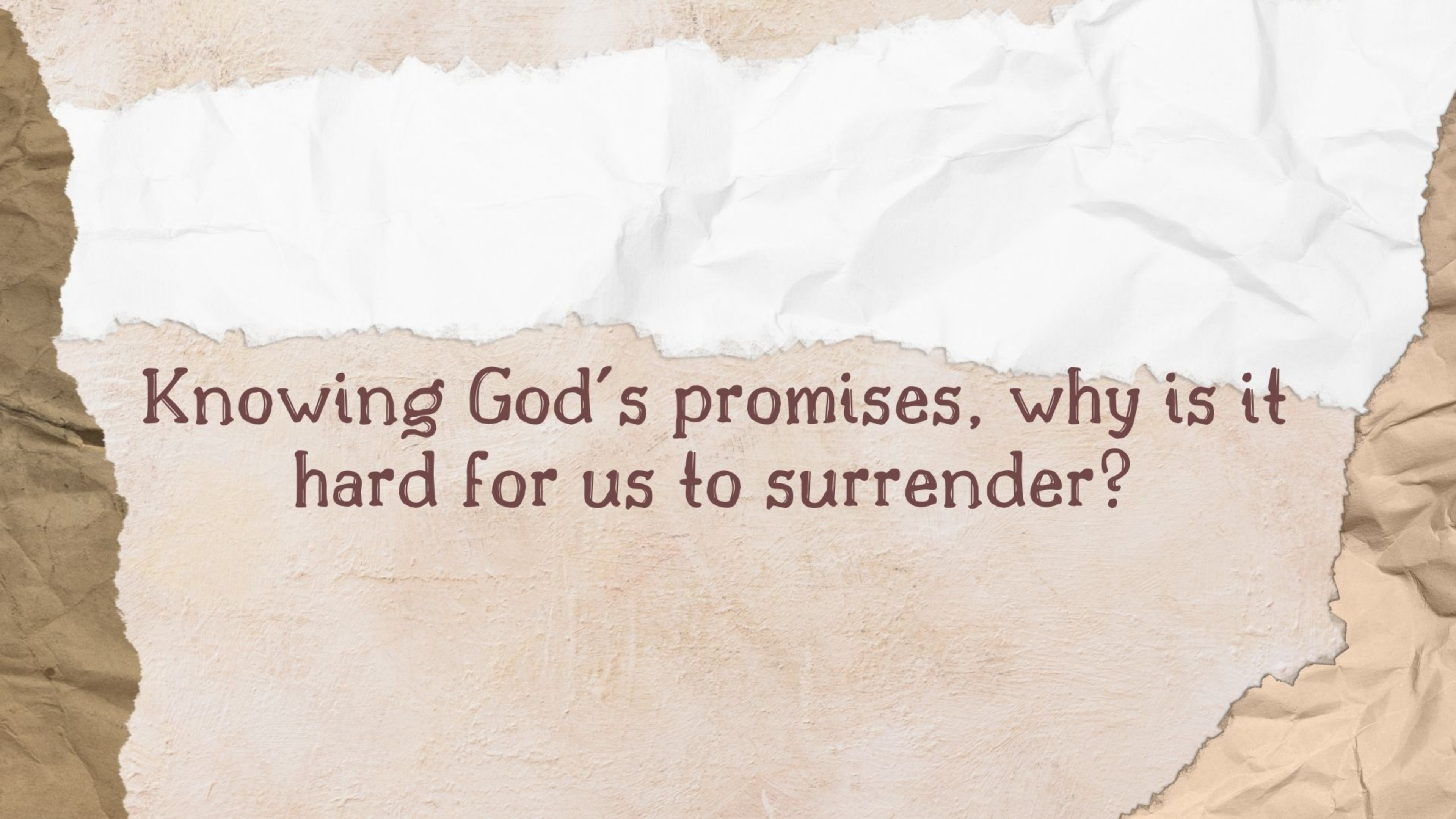
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# Promises of God

- Salvation John 3:16, Romans 6:23
- Guidance Prov. 3:5-6
- Comfort Psalm 34:18
- Strength Isaiah 40:31, Phil 4:13
- Provision Philippians 4:19
- Forgiveness 1 John 1:9
- Peace John 14:27
- Eternal Life John 5:11
- His Presence Deuteronomy 31:8, Matthew 28:20
- Love Romans 38-39
- Victory over sin Cor. 15:57
- Guidance and Direction John 16:13
- Comfort in Trials 2Cor 1:3-4
- Answered Prayers John 14:13
- Protection 2 Thessalonians 3:3
- Blessing for obedience 2 Cor 5:17
- Comfort in grief Rev 21:4
- Renewal and Transformation  
Romans 12:2
- Abundant life John 10:10
- Deliverance from Fear 2 Tim 1:7
- Reward for Faithfulness Heb 11:6
- Wisdom James 1:5
- Hope Romans 15:13





Knowing God's promises, why is it  
hard for us to surrender?



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