



From the Pastor's Desk:

We thank and praise God for bringing us into this new month.

Our promise for this month is:

"Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord."

Luke 1:45 (NKJV)

God blessed all of our worship services last month and we praise God for His goodness. Please pray for all our services in Irvine, Rancho Cucamonga, Woodland, Las Vegas and Connecticut.

Upcoming Events/Special Worship Services:

- **Good Friday Service:** Friday, March 25th at Irvine from 7:00pm – 9:30pm. Dinner will be provided after the service.
- **Easter Service:** Sunday, March 27th at Irvine from 9:30am – 11:30 am. Lunch will be provided after the service.
- **Woodland Hills Worship Service:** For this month only our service will be held on the 3rd Sunday, March 20th from 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Prayer Request:

Pastor Rajan and Sis. Indira will be travelling to minister at an Evangelist Conference (16th, 17th and 18th March) in Chennai, India hosted by Bro. G.P.S Robinson. Please pray for Pastor and his wife.

TOG ministries Israel Tour:

God willing we are planning to visit Israel, Egypt and Jordan in the month of November 2016 (Nov 19th to Nov 30th). The cost of this trip \$ 1675.00 per adult (12 and above) excluding airfare. Discounted rates are available for children under 12. For more details please contact Pastor Rajan - pastor.rajan@throneofgrace.us. We request you confirm your plans before March 25th. Please pray for this tour.

We have conference prayers on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, please check our website and make plans to join us in prayer.

Check our website (www.throneofgrace.us) for timely updates on all our worship services and meetings. Also we encourage you to download our app (Throne of Grace) on your iPhone, iPad and android device. All of our Irvine and Las Vegas services can be watched live and other services are uploaded on YouTube.

Pastor Abraham K. Rajan & Indira Rajan

Throne of Grace Ministries

Promise Message – March 2016

For this month God wants to bless us with the following promise:

“Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord.”

Luke 1:45 (NKJV)

In this month God wants to bless us through this verse. The promise that God has spoken will be fulfilled in our lives because the One who has promised is faithful.

*“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering,
for He who promised is faithful.”*

Hebrews 10:23 (NKJV)

Moreover the Bible also says that the God who has promised us is able to perform that which He has promised (Romans 4:21). In this message we are going to see what God can do to fulfill His promise.

1. His Appointed Time

In Genesis, Chapter 15, we read that God promised to give Abraham a son. God promised Abraham that he will have descendants that cannot be numbered like the stars in the sky (Genesis 15:5) As Abraham and Sarah were waiting for the promise to be fulfilled again God met Abraham and said the following:

“But My covenant I will establish with Isaac, whom Sarah shall bear to you at this set time next year.”

Genesis 17:21(NKJV)

In this verse God is talking about the timing of the blessing that Abraham was going to receive. And yet again God speaks to Abraham in Genesis 18:10 (NKJV):

“And He said, “I will certainly return to you according to the time of life, and behold, Sarah your wife shall have a son.”

For the promise to come to pass in Abraham's life God had an appointed time. But for Abraham & Sarah it seemed like the time had passed.

"Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, "After I have grown old, shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?" Genesis 18:12 (NKJV)

But God has his own time frame to bring a miracle into their life. Just like God said He blessed Sarah as He had spoken. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken (Genesis 21:1&2).

The God of Abraham is your God also and is able to fulfill the promise He has given to you in His time. You may feel like your time is over or your delay may be causing you unbelief but do not lose hope in His time He will fulfill the promise.

2. He is Working

To fulfill His promise in your life, God not only has an appointed time but He is working for you.

*"So it was, that while he was serving as priest before God in the order of his division,"
Luke 1:8 (NKJV)*

*"Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing on the right side
of the altar of incense"
Luke 1: 11 (NKJV)*

Here Zacharias the priest, at the time of his ministry, gets a visitation from the angel, Gabriel.

*"...the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John."
Luke 1:13(NKJV).*

Zacharias and his wife Elizabeth were without children but scripture tells us that they were righteous and devoted (Luke 1:6). That is why when the angel met Zacharias he said **"...Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard;.."** But Zacharias could not believe that which the angel had spoken, so the angel looked at Zacharias and said the promise of the birth of their son will be fulfilled in time (Luke 1:20). Regarding the birth of their baby (John the Baptist) , there was a promise given to the people of Israel in the Old Testament, in **Malachi 3:1** and it was being fulfilled in God's time by the angelic hosts of God.

***"Behold, I send My messenger, And he will prepare the way before Me.
And the Lord, whom you seek, Will suddenly come to His temple,
Even the Messenger of the covenant, In whom you delight.
Behold, He is coming," Says the Lord of hosts.
Malachi 3:1 (NKJV)***

"Then Elisha said, "Hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord: 'Tomorrow about this time a seah of fine flour shall be sold for a shekel, and two seahs of barley for a shekel, at the gate of Samaria.'" 2 Kings 7:1 (NKJV)

For the famine to get over in Samaria, the scripture gives a time - 'Tomorrow about this time...', which means within the next 24 hours God's word will be fulfilled. To fulfill this promise God started to work. How did He work? He used four lepers (2 Kings 7:3), men who were rejected by the community and were set apart. The men went into the Syrian camp and noticed that no one was there, this is because the Lord had caused the army of the Syrians to hear the noise of chariots and the noise of horses—the noise of a great army (2 Kings 7:6) . The Syrians feared and left everything at the camp and ran for their lives (2 Kings 7:7) Then the Samaritans went and took all that the Syrians had left (2 Kings 7:16) and just like God said His word was fulfilled within 24 hours. To fulfill His promise, God used simple people. Even in your life the word or promise that needs to be fulfilled even today He is working in the supernatural (angelic hosts) as well as in the natural things in your daily life.

3. His Favor

For God to fulfill His promise in our lives, He will pour out His favor in our life. When David was king, he desired to build a temple for the Lord but God told David that his son who will come after him will build the temple (2 Samuel 7:13&14). Just as God had spoken David's son Solomon when he became king said:

"And behold, I propose to build a house for the name of the Lord my God, as the Lord spoke to my father David, saying, "Your son, whom I will set on your throne in your place, he shall build the house for My name." 1 Kings 5:5(NKJV)

When Solomon decided to build the temple, he sent a request to Hiram, the king of Tyre to send him cedar to build the temple (1 Kings 5:2). Hiram responded to Solomon and sent him cedar and cypress logs all that was needed to build the temple (1 Kings 5:10). To fulfill His word, God poured out His favor over Solomon and because of this Hiram favored him and met his request.

Next we see, when the people of Israel were asking for meat, God tells Moses He will provide. But Moses doubts God's ability to provide and says, ""The people whom I *am* among *are* six hundred thousand men on foot; yet You have said, 'I will give them meat, that they may eat *for* a whole month.'" (Numbers 11:21). And that time God looked at Moses and asked him-

*"...“Has the Lord’s arm been shortened? Now you shall see whether what I say will happen to you or not.”
Numbers 11:23 (NKJV)*

The scripture tell us in Numbers 11:31 (NKJV):

“Now a wind went out from the Lord, and it brought quail from the sea and left them fluttering near the camp, about a day’s journey on this side and about a day’s journey on the other side, all around the camp, and about two cubits above the surface of the ground”

Even in a situation where it seemed impossible for God's promise to be fulfilled, a wind that came from God brought the miracle. Here the wind that God sent is equal to His favor. The people and Moses doubted God's ability to provide. Although the situation and circumstance was insufficient His favor is something that is above your circumstance and shortcomings. For God to fulfill His promise He will send His favor through unexpected sources like how Hiram favored Solomon.

Therefore do not be discouraged. Just like He has promised, His word will come to pass.

Let the Lord bless this message to you and your family.