A Wonder Worth the Wait

Lessons from a five-decade promise from God and the miracle-fruit of holding on!

1. Prayer Path

Revelations (A Journey to the Word)

Scripture:

By your words I can see where I'm going; they throw a beam of light on my dark path.

Psalm 119:105 (MSG)

The angel of God said, "What's this? You ask for my name? You wouldn't understand—it's sheer wonder."

Judges 13:18 (MSG)

So don't lose a minute in building on what you've been given, complementing your basic faith with good character, spiritual understanding, alert discipline, passionate patience, reverent wonder, warm friendliness, and generous love, each dimension fitting into and developing the others.

2 Peter 1:5-7 (MSG)

But you, Timothy, man of God: Run for your life from all this. Pursue a righteous life—a life of wonder, faith, love,

steadiness, courtesy. Run hard and fast in the faith. Seize the eternal life, the life you were called to, the life you so fervently embraced in the presence of so many witnesses. 1 Timothy 6:11-12 (MSG)

"I know what I'm doing. I have it all planned out—plans to take care of you, not abandon you, plans to give you the future you hope for. When you call on me, when you come and pray to me, I'll listen. When you come looking for me, you'll find me. Yes, when you get serious about finding me and want it more than anything else, I'll make sure you won't be disappointed." God's Decree. "I'll turn things around for you..."

Jeremiah 29:11-14 (MSG)

To You belongs silence (the submissive wonder of reverence which bursts forth into praise) and praise is due and fitting to You, O God, in Zion; and to You shall the vow be performed. O You Who hear prayer, to You shall all flesh come.

Psalm 65:1-2 (AMPC)

All your salvation wonders are on display in your trophy room. Earth-Tamer, Ocean-Pourer, Mountain-Maker, Hill-Dresser, Muzzler of sea storm and wave crash, of mobs in noisy riot—Far and wide they'll come to a stop, they'll stare in awe, in wonder. Dawn and dusk take turns calling, "Come and worship."

Psalm 65:5-8 (MSG)

So, friends, we can now—without hesitation—walk right up to God, into "the Holy Place." Jesus has cleared the way by the blood of his sacrifice, acting as our priest before God. The "curtain" into God's presence is his body. So let's do it—full of belief, confident that we're

presentable inside and out. Let's keep a firm grip on the promises that keep us going. He always keeps his word.

Hebrews 10:19-23 (MSG)

2. Prayer Path

Reflections (A Journey to the Past)

Scripture:

Now you've got my feet on the life path, all radiant from the shining of your face. Ever since you took my hand, I'm on the right way.

Psalm 16:11 (MSG)

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miracle-fruit of holding on!

3. Prayer Path

Realities (A Journey to Understanding)

Scripture:

Take me by the hand; Lead me down the path of truth. You are my Savior, aren't you?

Psalm 25:5 (MSG)

God's way is perfect. All the Lord's promises prove true. He is a shield for all who look to him for protection.

2 Samuel 22:31 (NLT)

Praise the LORD who has given rest to his people Israel, just as he promised. Not one word has failed of all the wonderful promises he gave through his servant Moses.

1 Kings 8:56 (NLT)

And so God gave Israel the entire land that he had solemnly vowed to give to their ancestors. They took possession of it and made themselves at home in it. And God gave them rest on all sides, as he had also solemnly vowed to their ancestors. Not a single one of their enemies was able to stand up to them—God handed over all their enemies to them. Not one word failed from all the good words God spoke to the house of Israel. Everything came out right.

Joshua 21:43-45 (MSG)

A Principle of Wonder

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