

PATHWAY OF THE PROMISE THE BIBLICAL PATTERN

FOR...

- (1) Encountering Problems or Crises in Life
- (2) Discovering God's Will Regarding Future Plans and Purposes

(3) Experiencing God's Invitation to Join Him



The pathway begins with a promise from God. (How do you receive a promise from God?)

The pathway ends when the promise is fulfilled.

The time and distance between promise and fulfillment is the pathway.

Promise Given

Promise Fulfilled

Truths About the Pathway

This pathway will be different lengths.

(Thank God for the short ones.)

This pathway will have different twists and turns.

You will encounter different people along the way.

(Some will encourage you while others may

discourage you.)

Another word for this pathway is "the meantime."

Promise Given Promise Fulfilled

Truths About the Pathway

This pathway is not a waste of time.

This pathway is preparation time.

(You will not be the same person at the end that you were at the beginning.)

* The key element on this pathway is FAITH. *

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<u>Person</u>	<u>Scripture</u>	<u>Promise</u>	Category
			(F, P, I)
Abraham	Genesis 12:1-2	Nation, Blessing	
		Name, Families	
	Genesis 15:4-6	Son & Descendants	S
	Genesis 15:18	Promised Land	
	Genesis 17:16-17	Son by Sarah	
Sarah	Genesis 18:10-14	A Child	
Jacob	Genesis 28:12-15	Land, Descendants	
Joseph	Genesis 37:5-10	Be A Ruler	
Moses	Exodus 3:6-10	Deliver Israel	
Joshua	Joshua 1:3-9	Presence & Succes	S

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			(F, P, I)
Gideon	Judges 6:12-16,77	Warrior/300	
Hannah	I Samuel 1:17-18	A Son	
Elisha	II Kings 4:1-7	Widow's Oil	
	II Kings 4:8f	Shunammite's So	n
	II Kings 5	Naaman Healed	
	II Kings 7	Delivery of Samar	ia
Hezekiah	II Kings 19:20,34-37	Victory in Battle	
Jehoshaphat	II Chronicles 20:1-25	Victory in Battle	
Isaiah	Isaiah 9:1-7	Messiah Coming	

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Jeremiah	Jeremiah 30:1-17	Restoration of Israe	et
Zacharias & Elizabeth	Luke 1:13-17, 24	Birth of John the Baptist	
Mary	Luke 1:3-33	Birth of Jesus	
Joseph	Matthew 1:18-23	Birth of Jesus	
Apostles & Disciples	John 14:16-19	Holy Spirit	
Church	Matthew 16:18	Gates of Hell	
Individual Believers	II Peter 1:4	Magnificent Promis	ses



Promise Fulfilled

The Promise - Where It All Begins!

God has given us, as His children, the opportunity to receive promises from His Word which relate to our given situation.

Never minimize the importance of God's promises!

In II Peter 1:2-4, the Holy Spirit reveals the power of God's promises.

TRUTHS:

- (1) As Believers "knowledge of God and of Jesus, our Lord"
- (2) We become recipients of divine power.
- (3) This power grants to us everything pertaining to <u>life</u> and <u>godliness</u>.
- (4) Our experience of divine power is for His glory and excellence.

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TRUTHS:

- (5) For by these (His power and knowledge of Him)

 He has granted to us His <u>precious</u> and <u>magnificent</u>

 <u>promises</u>.
- (6) In order that by them (His promises) we might become:
 - (a) Partakers of the divine nature.
 - (b) Having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.