

**September: John 16:13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.**

Father God, thank You for the Holy Spirit and for His many blessings in my life. I need to be guided into truth. It is too easy for me to wander off the path. And sometimes I need to know what is up ahead of me. When that occurs, I look for the Spirit's guidance. Speak clearly to me so that I will never make a mistake as I try to follow You.

**October: Psalm 34:9-10 Fear the LORD, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing. The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.**

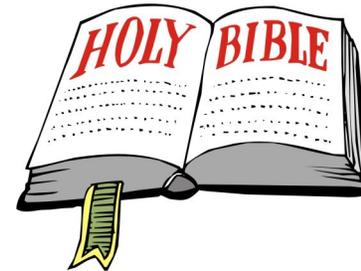
Dear Father, I confess that sometimes I get my needs and my wants mixed up. Help me remember that I can trust You to always provide what I need, when and how I need it. I will lack no GOOD thing, I know. I find great comfort in that promise.

**November: Isa. 26:3 You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.**

Dear Father, what a wonderful promise! I confess that often peace escapes me when I forget to focus on and trust You. Help me to trust You more with everything that concerns me so that Your peace will be constant in my life.

**December: I Cor. 10:13 No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.**

Lord Jesus, I know that You were also tempted when You were here on earth, without ever sinning. You understand what we humans face. You are faithful to keep us from succumbing to our temptations if we let You do so. Help me to look for Your strength and for the way out of whatever is lures me away from You. And help me understand that my biggest temptation today may be to worry and fail to trust You!



# Claiming God's Promises for 2017

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**January: Prov. 3:5-6 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.**

Lord, I claim this promise and trust that You will lead me on paths that are best for me. Help me stop trying to figure out how You are working and simply trust that You are indeed in control of all that concerns me. Help me to rest in this truth today.

**February: I John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.**

Lord, I thank you for this promise of forgiveness and cleansing. Help me to allow You to shine Your light on my life and allow You to show me anything that may be hindering my walk with You. And please, dear Lord, help me learn to stay away from those people or things that lead me into sin and hinder my relationship with You.

**March: Prov. 16:9 In their hearts humans plan their course, but the LORD establishes their steps.**

What a precious promise from you, dear Lord. I can rely on you to guide me in the right paths. I know You work in my life and circumstances each day and want only the best for me. Help me cooperate with Your leadership today. I truly want to walk on the right paths that honor You.

**April: James 1:5 If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.**

Dear Lord, help me never to be afraid to come to You and ask for the wisdom You are so willing to give to Your child. I need to see my life and circumstances from Your perspective. Help me to stop trying to figure out the answers to what perplexes me, and stop and ask You for the wisdom that only You can give.

**May: 2 Cor. 1:20 For no matter how many promises God has made, they are “Yes” in Christ. And so through him the “Amen” is spoken by us to the glory of God.**

What a joy, dear Father, to know that every promise that You have spoken in Your Word is meant for me to claim since I belong to Your Son, Jesus. Help me to claim every one of them, and thus glorify Your name. Thank You for Your love and faithfulness to me.

**June: Ps 27:1 The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?**

Dear Heavenly Father, I am so thankful that I do not ever need to be afraid of anyone or anything. I gladly believe that You are in control of all that concerns me today and every day. You are my light in darkness and my strength in weakness. I find my courage in You alone.

**July: Rom. 8:28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.**

Dear Lord Jesus, I find great peace and comfort in knowing that You are indeed in control of my life and circumstances. And even when things seem to go wrong for me because of choices I or others have made, I am so thankful that You are still at work to bring about good from that!

**August: Ps. 84:11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.**

Dear Lord, I am so thankful for Your protection and blessings on my life. I know that Your desire is to bless Your child with all good things. Help me to walk with You faithfully and to take care not to hinder our relationship. I do not want to disappoint You or to keep You from revealing Your love to me because of my sinful behavior.