

Ep. 1288: Are My Promises Reliable?

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- 1. Define the three New Testament words for "promise" and explain the differences.

 To what do most of the uses of these words refer in the New Testament? What conclusion should we realize from this and how should it affect us?
- 2. What advice do Paul and Peter have for women who are making a claim to godliness? What should be our priority in how we present ourselves to the world? (See 1 Timothy 2:9-10, 1 Peter 3:3-4)
- 3. When Paul was being threatened and falsely accused in the Acts account, how did the Roman commander's actions reflect the highest principles of honor and integrity? How can we apply these principles to our own lives? (See Acts 23:16-30)
- 4. How did Jesus teach us the principle of trustworthiness? Why should it be unnecessary to make additional statements to add to our credibility? (See Matthew 5:33-37)
- 5. How do the three gospel accounts of the chief priests giving Judas money for betraying Jesus fully build on and develop the idea of a "promise" as used in these verses? (See Mark 14:10-11, Matthew 26:14-16, Luke 22:3-6)
- 6. How can we show that we are abiding by God's will? How does humility help us to follow God's pattern? (See Ephesians 4:25-27, Psalms 24:1-5)
- 7. What is the difference between a wrong heart motivation and an unrealistic perspective as reasons for not keeping our promises? What advice does the Bible give on helping us to transform our characters to become more Christlike? (See Matthew 12:33-35, 1 Timothy 6:20-21, Ephesians 4:28-29, John 2:1-2)
- 8. How does the story of Zacchaeus illustrate to us how to correct our course if we have wronged others? (See Luke 19:2-9)
- 9. What is one of the best ways we can glorify God in our everyday life? How do we count the cost of following Christ? How do we count the cost in our verbal commitments? (See Ephesians 4:30-31, Luke 14:27-30, Colossians 4:5-6)
- 10. How does Peter's example of denying Jesus give us hope that we can learn and grow from our own failures? What should be the focus of our words and actions? (See Matthew 26:31-35, Ephesians 4:14-15)

