

## No. 61      On Whose Promises Do You Rely?

PLEASE NOTE: Help listeners trust in Jehovah's promises, and motivate them to show their trust by their actions. If you wish, you may use the provided artwork to illustrate the points indicated

### **HUMAN PROMISES ARE UNRELIABLE** (3 min.)

Humans do not always keep their promises

Promises by politicians, advertisers, and others often go unfulfilled (Ps 146:3)

People may forget or neglect promises made with good intentions

Sometimes people cannot keep their promises because of "time and unexpected events" (Ec 9:11)

### **JEHOVAH ALWAYS FULFILLS HIS PROMISES** (12 min.)

Jehovah God always fulfills his promises [Read Isaiah 55:10, 11]

He never forgets or neglects what he has promised (De 32:4)

He has unlimited ability to accomplish whatever he chooses (Isa 14:24, 27)

Jehovah promised Abraham that his offspring would become a great nation and would inherit the land of Canaan (Ge 12:1, 2, 7)

Jehovah delivered Abraham's offspring, the Israelites, from slavery in Egypt (Ex 3:7, 8; Ps 136:10-15) [Image 1]

Jehovah cared for them as they traveled through the wilderness (De 8:14-18) [Image 2]

Jehovah defeated the mighty nations that occupied the land of Canaan (De 11:23-25; Jos 6:1-5, 20) [Image 3]

After the Israelites settled in the Promised Land, Joshua affirmed that *everything* Jehovah had promised came true [Read Joshua 23:14] (w10 1/1 12 ¶2-5)

### **JEHOVAH'S PROMISES INVOLVE YOU** (10 min.)

Jehovah has promised *future* blessings for mankind, and you can share in those blessings

Soon God's Kingdom will rule the entire earth (Isa 9:6, 7; Da 2:44)

Suffering and death will be eliminated (Re 21:3, 4)

The earth will become a paradise (Re 21:5; c/ 81-82 ¶13-15) [Image 4]

You can enjoy the fulfillment of some of God's promises *now*

He promises that you will have peace if you obey his commands (Isa 48:17, 18)

He promises to provide for your needs if you give priority to learning about him and doing what he requires of you (Mt 6:31-33; w16.07 12 ¶18)

### **SHOW YOUR TRUST IN GOD'S PROMISES** (5 min.)

Those who truly believe in Jehovah's promises show it by their actions

Joshua saw the fulfillment of God's promises, and this strengthened his determination to serve only Jehovah [Read Joshua 24:14, 15]

Show your trust in God's promises by following his standards and by giving priority to his worship

Jehovah will reward and bless you for trusting in him (Lu 18:28-30)

As you experience Jehovah's blessing and support, your trust in his promises will grow stronger (Ps 34:8; Mal 3:10; w15 10/15 11 ¶11)

Like Joshua, you will be able to say: "Not one word of [God's promises] has failed" (Jos 23:14)

[Adhere closely to the outlined material, and observe the indicated timing of each section.

Not all cited texts need to be read or commented on. See *Ministry School* book, pages 52-55, 166-169]

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