No Weapon Formed Against Us Shall PROSPER... Isaiah 54

The Heritage of the Servants of God

Holds so many direct promises to us, the servants of God for us to believe in, cling to and hold fast without ceasing that Jesus is mighty to save us, fulfilling every written and spoken word of our Father.

ISAIAH 54:4-17

⁴ "Do not fear, for you will not be ashamed;

Neither be disgraced, for you will not be put to shame;

For you will forget the shame of your youth,

And will not remember the reproach of your widowhood anymore.

⁵ For your Maker is your husband,

The LORD of hosts is His name;

And your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel;

He is called the God of the whole earth.

⁶ For the LORD has called you

Like a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit,

Like a youthful wife when you were refused,"

Says your God.

⁷ "For a mere moment I have forsaken you,

But with great mercies I will gather you.

⁸ With a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment;

But with everlasting kindness I will have mercy on you,"

Says the LORD, your Redeemer.

⁹ "For this is like the waters of Noah to Me;

For as I have sworn

That the waters of Noah would no longer cover the earth,

So have I sworn

That I would not be angry with you, nor rebuke you.

¹⁰ For the mountains shall depart

And the hills be removed,

But My kindness shall not depart from you,

Nor shall My covenant of peace be removed,"

Says the LORD, who has mercy on you.

¹¹ "O you afflicted one,

Tossed with tempest, and not comforted,

Behold, I will lay your stones with colorful gems,

And lay your foundations with sapphires.

¹² I will make your pinnacles of rubies,

Your gates of crystal,

And all your walls of precious stones.

¹³ All your children shall be taught by the LORD,

And great *shall be* the peace of your children.

¹⁴ In righteousness you shall be established;

You shall be far from oppression, for you shall not fear;

And from terror, for it shall not come near you.

¹⁵ Indeed they shall surely assemble, *but* not because of Me.

Whoever assembles against you shall fall for your sake.

¹⁶ "Behold, I have created the blacksmith

Who blows the coals in the fire.

Who brings forth an ainstrument for his work;

And I have created the spoiler to destroy.

¹⁷ No weapon formed against you shall prosper,

And every tongue which rises against you in judgment

You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their righteousness is from Me," Says the LORD.

Heritage - Inheritance & portion reserved for those who worship God as His bondservant

Prosper – Advance, make progress, succeed, prevail over us or be profitable. Weapons cannot override the promises of the Lord unless we give them permission to do so by coming into agreement with what is forming and sent by the enemy.

We can hold fast to these promises today and always. Even when we cannot see Him actively performing what He spoke over us, His promised word shall come to pass in our lives when we continue to keep our minds fixated on Him, regardless of what we see in the natural forming around us.

Let's again review these promises found in Isaiah 54:

- You will not be ashamed
- You will not be put to shame by your enemies
- Your Maker is your husband, the Lord of hosts is His Name
- The Lord has called you
- With His great mercies He will gather you
- With everlasting kindness He will have mercy on you
- He will not be angry with you
- He will not rebuke you
- His kindness shall never depart from you
- His covenant of peace will never be removed from you
- He will teach your children
- Your children shall receive His great peace upon them
- You shall be far from oppression
- You shall not fear
- Terror shall not come near you
- Whoever assembles against you shall fall for your sake
- No weapon formed against you shall succeed
- You have a heritage as a worshiper of God
- Your righteousness is only from Him

You may wonder who has this sort of peace in their lives? It may look good on paper and may even be something you long for or are striving for... Well, it is reserved for those who worship Him just like we read, but there's more... There's a key to this sort of peace... it takes surrender and trust – equaled to faith that He will do exactly what He says He will do, regardless of natural circumstances, of which in a breath He can override all our circumstances.

Isaiah 26 verse 3 shows us why some only wish to attain the promises of God and why others abide within it...

ISAIAH 26:3

You will keep *him* in perfect peace, *Whose* mind *is* stayed *on You*, Because he trusts in You.

What a promise... what a truth, thank You Lord for showing us the keys to Your kingdom that do not falter and when we obey and trust, we too will not falter.

In order to attain such perfect peace... we must choose to keep our minds stayed on the Lord and trust Him at all costs.

Isaiah is a wealth of promises from our Lord, if led, I encourage you to read more in this book for the next week.

Lastly, real quick... there was another scripture the Lord laid on my heart this week that I want to go over real quickly. It is in Romans and I kept hearing is "I want you to be innocent concerning evil." Which resembles what is found in Romans 16:19 and I kept hearing that phrase in my spirit continually the past few days.

Now the funny thing is, when I looked up this verse I went to several translations and they all said "simple" concerning evil – not innocent. But the word innocent is what I keep hearing... so I thought okay Lord, it's a pearl for me and I wasn't even going to share it... but guess what? I decided to look up the Greek meaning because it was really bugging me and the word simple that is written means innocent. Thank You Lord... He tells us He has written His word on the tablets of our hearts doesn't He? I just wanted to share this with you all today, to hopefully encourage to trust, listen and obey His still small voice. He has made me personally very innocent concerning evil, having removed from within me any desire for evil's activities and ways and likely He has done the same for many of you. So if that is you... I want to encourage you to stay the course from that respect... it's a gift. May we treat it as such. Jesus came to me in my heart to remind us all of His command that we are to be "Innocent concerning evil..." so that's the message and if you feel as if its for you, please take that message to Him and ask Him to show you more about it.

I'll read it for you real quick in context...

ROMANS 16:17-20

¹⁷ Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them. ¹⁸ For those who are such do not serve our Lord ¹⁹ Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple. ¹⁹ For your obedience has become known to all. Therefore I am glad on your behalf; but I want you to be wise in what is good, and ¹⁸ simple concerning evil. ²⁰ And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly.

Just a few things that stuck out to me...

- Stay away from anyone who tries to cause offense and/or division
- You've already been taught this principal, so avoid those contrary to what you know internally to be the ways of Jesus
- They may appear to serve Jesus but they don't, they come from a self-serving place within
- They use smooth words and flattering speech to deceive the hearts of the innocent/simple
- They know those who are obedient
- We are to be wise in what is good
- Innocent/simple concerning evil which we just went over
- And we are to let God usher in peace in His timing by crushing satan under our feet
- When it says under our feet... that is putting him in his proper place, evil is beneath the servants of the Lord, not ruling over us which ties back to our study in Isaiah today... that no weapon formed against us shall prosper.

So today I am going to leave you with one more promise from our Lord found in Isaiah 46:4 -

I will be your God throughout your lifetime – until your hair is white with age, I made you and I will care for you.

Remember... what we seek, we will find – if it is what the Lord has spoken and promised to us then we will be more settled no matter what we face when trouble arises.