

He Will Never Leave You

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Note: This chapter has been a personal blessing to me. So many of these truths have comforted me in my times of trouble. This chapter was later amplified and rewritten as a book entitled Good News In Times of Trouble, which is available on Amazon.com. Here you have only one portion of this chapter.

He Will Never Leave You or Forsake You

When we face hard times, we need to know that everything between God and us is right, but sometimes our overwhelming circumstances are so intense that we might feel as if we are forsaken by God. This is especially true if someone has been taught the error that hard times are God's way of disciplining us or that we have become separated from His presence because we've fallen short in some area.

However, He has promised never to leave us. The Amplified translation demonstrates to us just how sure this promise is.

Hebrews 13:5b AMP

For He [God] Himself has said, I will not in any way fail you nor give you up nor leave you without support. [I will] not, [I will] not, [I will] not in any degree leave you helpless nor forsake nor let [you] down (relax My hold on you)! [Assuredly not!]

In fact, it is precisely when we have weaknesses that we can come boldly and confidently before Him. He understands everything about us.

Hebrews 4:15-16

For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

When we “come before Him”, we don’t need to see ourselves approaching Him as if He is in heaven and we are on earth. He is inside of us. We are in the holy place with Him at all times. There is no separation. We don’t need to “enter” His presence. We are one spirit with Him. When we come before His throne of grace, we are already in the throne room! Glory to God. We simply speak to Him. No formulas are necessary.

In those moments when you are tempted to despair (give up hope), remind yourself of this gift of knowing you are right now with Him and that He will never forsake you, especially in your times of need.

“God, I thank You for promising never ever to leave me or let go of me—no, not ever. You are here with me right now in my time of need even though I am not ‘perfect’. You are my friend, my brother, my Father, and my God.”

