

Blessings and Goodness

"And now, Master God, being the God you are, speaking sure words as you do, and having just said this wonderful thing to me, please, just one more thing: Bless my family; keep your eye on them always. You've already as much as said that you would, Master God! Oh, may your blessing be on my family permanently!"

2 Samuel 7:28-29, *The Message*

David's prayer shows great affection toward God and honors Him as amazing because He blesses us even though we are so flawed. His word was spoken, His promise was given and we can count on that Word. We can progress with confident hope that we are blessed and will be supported to serve the Lord.

I walk through my life counting on that "Word." I believe that I am a blessed servant of the Lord and that I am here to serve so He can make this world a better place. Even in hardship I look up to the Lord for guidance and attempt to understand the guidance that the hardship experience might be giving me.

His Word is true. He has promised us "goodness" and His "blessing of the house of the servant." He lifts us up, guides us through stormy waters and guides us to the other side of the storm. When safely upon the shore of the new phase of our life, He lifts our heads and guides us to the new insights we were blessed to receive so we may serve better. With each storm we become stronger servants and are better equipped to serve. Let us go out and serve with all of our blessings; the world is in great need of servants.

Prayer: O Heavenly Father, I thank you for all of your blessings and your guidance. Please continue to lift me up in your favor, to guide me to be the best I can be and make me more equipped to serve. Please continue to hold me through the storms of life to make me stronger and wiser. Amen

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Additional Scripture Readings:

Psalm 80:1-7; 17-19

2 Samuel 7:23-29

John 3:31-36