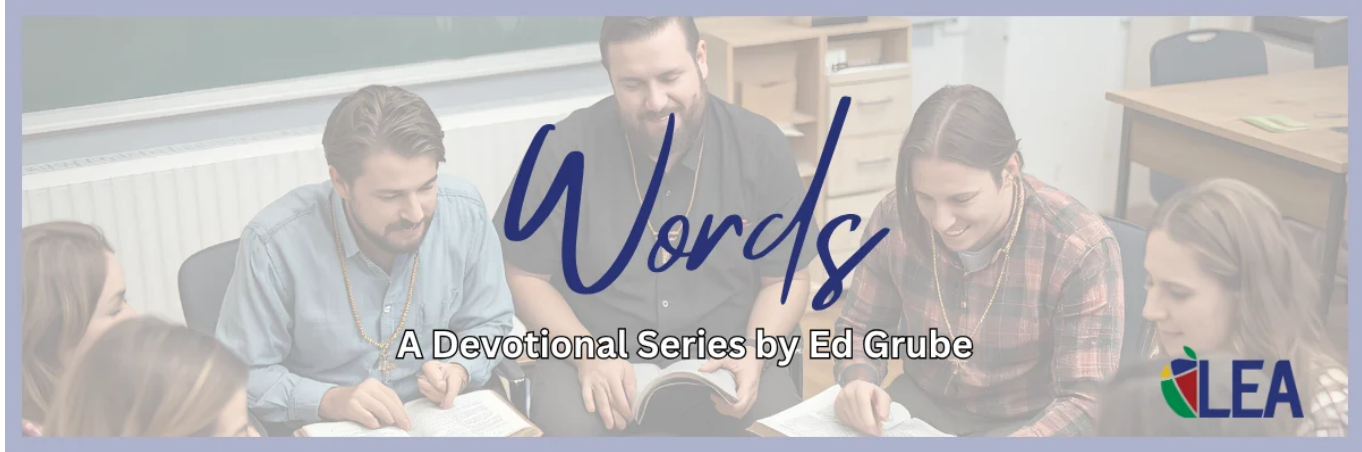




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Your Word... and His

How reliable are your promises? Are they as good as your word? Can you establish an agreement based merely on your word? Would you be able, for example, to purchase a car just because you say you have the money for the purchase? Could you escape a lawyer in front of witnesses simply by saying you'll do something? Does your word reflect the policy of faith implied in this passage?

But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your "yes" be yes and your "no" be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation (James 5:12).

Do you sometimes wonder how God's people proceeded with agreements back in Old Testament days? Abraham probably did. So did the prophets. The Apostles probably did—although they had to wait the least time. Truth is that everyone after God ejected Adam and Eve from their garden home knowing the Promise—though they often forgot or rejected it. But that doesn't deter God from keeping His promise to come back again, more than 2,000 years since He repeated it to us.

As you await the promised return of Jesus, you're likely tempted to have your own doubts about its veracity. But be theologically reasonable:

But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance (2 Peter 3:8–9).

God is good for His word. None of His children (us) can fully relate to His kind of trustworthiness, and need to thank, praise, and ask Him to protect us from our doubts. God keeps His word and His Word keeps us. History through Scripture testifies to the fact that He is good for His Word.

And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us (1 John 5:14).

Question for consideration and prayer: *What evidence can you cite to prove that God keeps His promises?*

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**A joyful heart is good medicine,
But a crushed spirit dries up the bones—Prov. 17:22 ESV**

