

RECEIVING GOD'S BEST FOR OUR LIVES.

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1. IF YOU WANT TO RECEIVE GOD'S BEST IN YOUR LIFE THEN - YOU MUST ACCEPT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF YOUR CHOICES.

Genesis 17:1-4-Lexham English Bible

1 When Abram *was* ninety-nine years old Yahweh appeared to Abram. And he said to him, "I *am* El-Shaddai; walk before me and be blameless

2 so that I may make my covenant between me and you and may multiply you exceedingly."

3 Then Abram fell upon his face and God spoke with him, saying,

4 "As *for* me, behold, my covenant *shall be* with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations.

Gen. 15:7 And He said to him, "I am yahweh, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it."

**Yahweh** – *Self- existent eternal one, He is present with HIS people, He is always near, intervening in history on behalf of his people. The knowledge of God's proper name implies a covenant relationship. The name yahweh brings forth images of God's saving power in the lives of his people.*

**El-shaddai**-*The God of plenty, the God of more than enough... creator and preserver of the world.*

2. IF YOU WANT TO RECEIVE GOD'S BEST IN YOUR LIFE - THEN YOU MUST ACCEPT THE FACT THAT GOD HAS ALREADY COMMITTED HIMSELF TO, AND FOR YOU.

Verse 2 - ... so that *I may make my covenant between me and you* and *may* multiply you exceedingly."

Joshua 24:15-ESV

And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, *choose this day whom you will serve*, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. *But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.*"

Deuteronomy 30:19-20-CJB

19 "I call on heaven and earth to witness against you today that *I have presented you with life and death, the blessing and the curse. Therefore, choose life*, so that you will live, you and your descendants, ...

20 loving Adonai your God, *paying attention to what he says* and *clinging to him - for that is the purpose of your life! On this depends* the length of time you will live in the land Adonai swore he would give to your ancestors Avraham, Yitz'chak and Ya'akov."

3. IF YOU WANT TO RECEIVE GOD'S BEST IN YOUR LIFE - THEN YOU MUST STAY COMMITTED TO THE END.

Jeremiah 29:11-KJV

11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, *to give you an expected end.*

Romans 4:16-21-AMP.

Therefore, [*inheriting*] the promise is the outcome of faith and depends [*entirely*] on faith, in order that it might be given as an act of grace (unmerited favor), to make it stable and valid and guaranteed to all his descendants—not only to the devotees and adherents of the Law, but also to those who share the faith of Abraham, who is [*thus*] the father of us all.

17 As it is written, I have made you the father of many nations. [*He was appointed our father*] in the sight of God in Whom he believed, Who gives life to the dead and speaks of the nonexistent things that [*He has foretold and promised*] as if they [*already*] existed. [Gen. 17:5.]

18 [*For Abraham, human reason for*] hope being gone, hoped in faith that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been promised, So [*numberless*] shall your descendants be. [Gen. 15:5.]

19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered the [*utter*] impotence of his own body, which was as good as dead because he was about a hundred years old, or [*when he considered*] the barrenness of Sarah's [*deadened*] womb. [Gen. 17:17; 18:11.]

20 No unbelief or distrust made him waver (doubtingly question) concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong and was empowered by faith as he gave praise and glory to God,

21 Fully satisfied and assured that God was able and mighty to keep His word and to do what He had promised.

Psalms 84:11 – KJV

"For the Lord God is a sun and shield: The Lord will give grace and glory: *no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.*"

Gen. 17:1-AMP *walk and live habitually before Me and be perfect (blameless, wholehearted, complete).*