

Every Promise is “Yes” in Christ (5/26/24)

Main Verses: 2 Corinthians 1:20

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'Takeaway': We can rest assured that God's promises to us are not "yes" and "no", but **always "yes"** in Jesus for the one who believes.

Getting Started: How do you feel when someone makes a promise to you and then keeps it?



READ 2 Corinthians 1:20 (or have older kids help read).

Some **QUESTIONS** to consider:

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Here are some **IMPORTANT IDEAS** we discover in these verses :

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- Though they accused Paul of wavering (when he changed his plans to visit them), he reminds them he is *for* them (“yes” to them) just as Jesus is for us.
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An **ENCOURAGEMENT** in light of God's word:

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(Elementary) Talk to God. Thank him that thru Christ, the believer has great hope and confidence. Thank him that Jesus is for us, and because of that, God's promises are always “yes” for those in Christ. Are you in him by grace thru faith? Do you feel him talking to you about surrendering to his loving leadership? If so, you might want to pray in this way: **Admit** you are guilty of living a me-centered life instead of a God-centered one. **Believe** that Jesus is your only hope for forgiveness, freedom, and forever with God. With your whole heart and being, **commit** yourself to following Jesus’ loving leadership. If you pray this, or have questions about what it means, talk to a trusted adult in your life about it.