

INHERITING YOUR PROMISES

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Hebrews 6:12

We press in for a breakthrough, and instead the LORD provides the **seed** for that breakthrough. Sometimes our need is the **answer**, other times what we really need is the **process** that brings that answer. We need to remember that the apple is in the seed. Putting it another way: Though we are praying for the right things, if the LORD answers at once they would destroy our lives. That is why often we need **faith and perseverance** to inherit the promises of the LORD.

What is faith? **Hebrews 11:1** defines faith as "the substance of things hope for, the evidence of things not seen." The word 'substance' comes from the Greek word 'hypóstasis'. It means 'a standing under', technical sense of 'title deed.' So, faith is holding on to the 'title deed' (the promise), assured that what is unseen will be realized. **How do we get to this place of faith? Relationship!** The listening heart is close to the LORD, hearing and seeing what the LORD is revealing and promising. Trusting God as a loving Father.

We also realize that between the time you pray until the time you see that breakthrough there's often a period of waiting. **Isaiah 40:31** shows us what to do during this period where we need to persevere on. The entire English phrase "Those who wait upon" (or "Those who wait for") is translated from one word: vekovye. This word finds its root in the Hebrew word 'qavah'. The word 'qavah' means 'twisting and binding' like a rope. It has two dimensions.

There is the **passive** dimension where we are yielded, surrendered to God, and saying: LORD not my timing Yours be done ... not my will but Yours be done. But there's also an **active** component where it gives a picture of someone that intertwine (twisting & binding) onto someone like the making of a rope. By faith, you intertwine and don't let go of Jesus knowing He is God. He is in charge. He is totally in control. He will see you through.

Here's the posture – surrender and persevere: God, You are in control. I will surrender to You; I am yielded to You. Yet at the same time I will intertwine or hold on to You, to Your promises to me, and who You say You are, that You will see me though.

In whatever situation you are right now, let us adopt this posture and through **faith** and **perseverance** inherit the awesome promises of the LORD for your life. Remember, I will be praying for your breakthrough today.

Making It Personal:

1. **Insight** – What is ONE new insight the Holy Spirit has given me?
2. **Conviction** – Something pierced my heart or convicted me? Take action now!
3. **Share** – Received something I want to share with someone else?