

Still Certain in Times of Uncertainty

Ready:

“Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise.” -- Hebrews 10:23

Set

It's been a hard year and a half. We're weary, uncertain, frustrated and disappointed. Summer may have given us a brief reprieve, but now, as we begin another school year, we wonder where we'll be with classes, and whether we'll get our full sports season and the chance to compete with our friends and teammates.

Many things are still up in the air, but there are truths that remain certain.

God is in Control

Sometimes it can feel like the world is crumbling around us and we're stuck in the rubble wondering what's going on. From fear to uncertainty, from division to receiving more questions than answers, we can quickly surmise that something's amiss.

But God doesn't miss a thing and is exactly where He has always been: in control. When God made the earth and set it in motion, He didn't just leave it to run on its own; He's been involved and aware every step of the way. He is unchanging, wise and holds all things in His capable hands.

God is Good

In the rumble of life's storms, it can be tempting to think that God has forgotten our suffering, pain and confusion. But God is closer than we can imagine, working all things for our good. His very character is good, right and holy, and He has the best in mind for His children. The fact that He sent His only Son Jesus to come for our sins and save us for eternity testifies to the goodness of His heart and plans.

God is Trustworthy

In a day where information is everywhere and truth is relative, what do we actually believe? Where do we find actual truth? Can we believe anything we hear or read?

If we understand who God is, it makes sense that He is our moral and ethical compass, pointing us toward truth in Jesus. God has kept His promises to His people again and again. He has shown us that He is worthy of our trust.

We can still be certain in the uncertainty because God has given us His promises to hold onto, promises that are for our good and His glory. Promises that encourage us and give us confidence that He is on the throne and aware of all that's going on in the world. And hope that doesn't hinge on what happens in life situations, but instead anchors on the unchanging character of God.

Go

- What makes you most uncertain as you go into this new year?
- How can God's truth bring you comfort and security in this time?
- Will you look to God to make a way where there seems to be none and place your hope in Him?

Workout

Isaiah 26:3-4; Nahum 1:7; Colossians 1:7

Overtime

"God, You are the One who holds this world steady. You are in control, You are good and You are trustworthy. Thank You that in the middle of uncertainty and turmoil, You hold us close and hold everything together. Help me to look to You when I am afraid and replace my fear with truth from Your Word. You are loving and kind and mighty, and I can take comfort that I am Your child. You are my anchor and hope. In Jesus's name, Amen."

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