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Truth for the Journey

Psalm 23:3 carries a phrase that is easy to read past: *for His name's sake*. God does not lead His people in paths of righteousness merely for their benefit. He does it because the way He leads reflects who He is. His guidance is always an extension of His character, which means the path He ordains for your life will never contradict His integrity, His faithfulness, or His love. You can trust the direction not only because He is wise, but because He is incapable of leading you in a way that violates who He is.

What makes this especially significant is that the path is not generic. The path God designs is tailor-made, shaped with full knowledge of your history, your capacity, and your purpose. It cannot be borrowed from someone else's testimony or measured against someone else's timeline. Comparison, then, is not simply discouraging, it is disorienting. It pulls us off a path that was never meant for anyone else to walk. The Shepherd leads each sheep individually, and what He permits, what He withholds, and the specific road He chooses will always be suited to the one He is leading.

1 Kings 19 shows us what this looks like when the path becomes overwhelming. Elijah, a man of remarkable faith and proven obedience, found himself utterly spent, not from disobedience, but from the sheer weight of the journey. He had run hard and had nothing left. And in that moment, God did not redirect him with a new assignment or correct him with a theological reminder. He sent an angel with bread and water and told him to rest, because the journey ahead required more than Elijah currently had. Rest was not a concession. It was provision. God tended to what Elijah needed before He addressed where Elijah was going, because the path forward required a man who had been restored, not merely redirected.

That is the Shepherd of Psalm 23 in action. He knows not only where the path leads but what you will need to complete it. July is a natural invitation to slow down and receive that kind of tending. With no Tuesday Connection this month, let Psalm 23 be your companion in your personal time with the Lord. Consider where you are on the path, and trust that the One who designed it has not lost sight of you on it. The question this season is not whether He is still leading. It is whether you are willing to rest long enough to follow.

July is Black-out Month. So what does this look like? First, there is no Tuesday Connection (Bible Study) this month. Bishop has already emphasized that he expects us to connect with family near and far. It's also a great opportunity to reflect, reset, and rest.

ROAD TO CONSECRATION
Atlanta CITY LIMIT

ACCOMMODATIONS

- HOLIDAY INN & SUITES ATLANTA AIRPORT NORTH
RATES STARTING AT \$189/ PER NIGHT
- EMBASSY SUITES BY HILTON ATLANTA AIRPORT
RATES STARTING AT \$189/ PER NIGHT
- MARriott GATEWAY - ATLANTA AIRPORT
RATES STARTING AT \$209/ PER NIGHT
- GROUND TRANSPORTATION
TO AND FROM THE SERVICE - PROVIDED BY CEWC

CAREY CONNER MTH
BISHOP
JULY 29 - AUG 1

The Bishop's Ball

SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY
AUGUST 29, 2026
CONNECTING WITH THE CITY
FAITH. | VISION. | IMPACT. | LEGACY.
TICKETS
\$125
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION COMING SOON

WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

Corporate Prayer - Corporate prayer is an important part of the life of the church, along with worship, biblical teaching, communion, and fellowship. The early church met regularly to learn the doctrine of the apostles, break bread, and pray together (Acts 2:42). When we pray together with other believers, the effects can be very positive. Corporate prayer edifies and unifies us as we share our common faith. The same Holy Spirit who dwells within each believer causes our hearts to rejoice as we hear praises to our Lord and Savior, knitting us together in a unique bond of fellowship found nowhere else in life.

Declarations - When we make prophetic declarations, what we say becomes firm in the spirit first. Then, it's only a matter of time until what we have spoken in the spirit realm manifests itself in the natural. It's important to note that when you speak a prophetic declaration, you speak it in the present, as if you already have it (Mark 11:23-24). It's imperative to understand that your present declarations are becoming your future manifestations. What you say today is creating your tomorrow.

An important thing to remember when putting these decrees into practical application is to use the word of God as your basis. So, when you declare a thing over your life, you speak it in **the now with applicable**

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

CEWC Community Resource Highlights

Housing Resource

Miss Carrie's House – Independent Co-Living for Adults 55+

Fully furnished shared and private housing accommodations for adults 55 and older.

Phone: 844-511-7848

For availability and additional information, please call directly.

Food Assistance Resource

Life Change Outreach Center

Food assistance is available through multiple Las Vegas locations throughout the year.

Phone: 702-583-4977

Website: www.lifechangeoutreachcenter.org

Free Legal Education & Assistance

Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada

Classes Available May 1, 2026 – August 26, 2026

725 E. Charleston Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89104

Free educational workshops covering:

- ⇒ Bankruptcy
- ⇒ Divorce & Custody
- ⇒ Legal Self-Help Resources

Phone: (702) 386-1070

Website: www.lacsn.org



Employment Opportunities

Las Vegas Career Fair

July 30, 2026

Sunset Station Hotel & Casino

1301 W. Sunset Road

Henderson, NV 89014

Meet with employers actively hiring throughout Southern Nevada. Bring copies of your resume and dress professionally.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

“How Do I Operate in the Promises of God?”

In today's world, we must stand on the promises of God when navigating the storms of life. We must be diligent in knowing His promises and relying on them until deliverance is manifested to forego a depressed mood or anxious moment. Waiting on God requires faith the size of a mustard seed to avoid “leaning to our own understanding” (Prov. 3:5b) or allowing worldly ways to muddle the waters of our faith. When our mental health is challenged, we must be diligent in trusting God, delighting in God, committing to His way, and waiting on Him (Psalm 37:3-7).

Let's consider the recipe of faith and how its ingredients allow us to operate in the promises of God. As you may know, a recipe instructs us on the needed ingredients and steps to prepare a specific dish or meal, and the Bible instructs us with scriptural ingredients we need to operate in the promises of God. We need faith, obedience, and perseverance in the recipe of our lives to provide us with His promises to direct, correct, and protect our emotional, physical, relational, nutritional, and spiritual health (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

The faith ingredient requires us to “hope” in something we have not yet seen, and if I have never cooked a recipe before, I will not know the result until it is done (Hebrews 11:1). When you have an intimate relationship with God, you know that faith in Him is the main ingredient when facing trials, and when you sprinkle some trust and belief into the recipe, you put the flavor of hope in your faith. A biblical recipe can be found in Jeremiah 29:11 (ESV), “*For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.*” The plan of God is like a recipe in that you will not know the end until it is time but remember the faith ingredients for future trials that you will face.

The faith ingredient also requires us to be “obedient” through the hearing and keeping of God's Word (Luke 11:28). When we embrace the goodness and mercies of God's Word, the recipe of our lives will be enhanced and enriched, and we become “seasoned” like a cast iron skillet. When you clean a cast iron skillet, you do not use harsh soap or chemicals, and like scriptural references, God did not cleanse us from sin using harsh methods but rather cleansed us through the sacrificial work of Jesus Christ. Our obedience to hear and keep the word of God is necessary to season our lives with the recipe of His promises and avoid the leftovers of distress, sadness, and uncertainty that plague our mental health. Remember, we cannot stand on the promises of God when we lack the knowledge of Him (See Romans 10:17).

The faith ingredient also needs us to be “patient and endure” while we wait for the recipe to be fulfilled. It is during this time that God is developing our character, and we must remain confident that the goodness will manifest in His timeline and according to His riches in glory (Philippians 4:19). While we wait, we consider the ingredients of love, mercy, grace, wisdom, and other spiritual blessings that God has bestowed upon us and through prayer, we know that our life's recipe will be fully revealed in Christ.

Be sure to stock up on faith, obedience, and perseverance ingredients the next time you shop in prayer to God ... it is how we can continue to operate in God's promises and employ a waiting spirit to minimize mold in our mental health.

A MENTAL HEALTH MOMENT

July Jewels

Inner Light — God placed something in each of us that the world needs. Don't dim it to make others comfortable.

Courageous Rest — Rest is not retreat; it's preparation.

Divine Timing — What's meant for you won't rush you, but it also won't let you stay small.

Emotional Clarity — July invites you to check in with your heart and release what's been weighing you down.

Joyful Expectation — Expect good things. Expect healing. Expect peace. Expect God to show up.

KEEPING OUR FINGERS ON THE PULSE FOR THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS

Exercise Your Right to Vote

The right to vote is the mechanism through which communities assert their voice, their dignity, and their future. When barriers are raised—whether through restrictive ID laws, reduced access to polling places, purges of voter rolls, or redistricting that dilutes the power of Black voters—those barriers strike at the very foundation of our country. They are direct attempts to limit who gets to participate in the shaping of this country.

Don't wait for someone else to do it—you do it! Don't think your vote doesn't matter—it does! Every uncast vote directly affects the outcome. YOUR vote is urgently needed in every, election.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—A SUMMER REFRESH

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT SUMMER

Summer as a Sign of God's Faithfulness

"While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease." — Genesis 8:22 (KJV)

After the flood, God promised Noah that the natural order of creation would continue. Summer is specifically mentioned as evidence of God's faithfulness to sustain the earth. The recurring seasons remind us that God keeps His promises and continues to care for His creation.

Key Lessons from Genesis 8:22

- **Summer is part of God's design** — The seasons operate according to God's established order.
- **Summer demonstrates God's faithfulness** — The return of summer each year reminds us that God remains faithful to His covenant promises.
- **Summer supports provision and harvest** — In biblical times, summer was essential for crop growth and preparation for harvest.
- **Summer reflects God's sustaining care** — The regular cycle of seasons reveals God's ongoing provision and reliability.

Spiritual Application: Just as God faithfully brings summer each year, believers can trust Him to sustain and provide for them in every season of life.

Summer as a Season of Opportunity and Responsibility

"He who gathers in summer is a prudent son, but he who sleeps in harvest is a son who brings shame." — Proverbs 10:5 (ESV)

In ancient Israel, summer was a critical time for gathering crops. Solomon uses this imagery to teach the value of wisdom, diligence, and making the most of opportunities.

Key Lessons from Proverbs 10:5

- **Summer is a season of opportunity** — Wise people recognize and act on opportunities when they arise.
- **Summer reveals character** — The diligent son works during harvest, while the lazy son wastes valuable time.
- **Summer teaches timely action** — Harvest opportunities are limited; what is delayed may be lost.
- **Summer encourages responsibility** — Faithful work and stewardship lead to provision and success.

Spiritual Application: God gives seasons for growth, service, learning, and ministry. Wise believers make the most of those opportunities while they are available.

Final Thought

Summer is more than a season of warm weather. In Scripture, it reminds us of God's faithfulness, provision, and the importance of diligence. As we enjoy the blessings of summer, may we also grow spiritually, serve faithfully, and trust the God who remains constant through every season of life.

"Summer reminds us of God's provision. Just as we need water to refresh our bodies in the desert heat, we need God's Word to refresh our souls."

"He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul." — Psalm 23:2-3 (KJV)

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