

The Exhortations to Obey God and God's Promises to His People Leviticus 26:01–13

1. *The conditions for receiving the promises of God*

- a. Must not worship idols
or false gods
 - 1) No idol of any kind
 - 2) The warning: Is only one true
God — “I am the LORD...”
- b. Must keep God's Sabbaths
- c. Must reverence
God's sanctuary
- d. Must keep God's laws
and obey His commands

2. *The promises of God to the obedient*

- a. The blessing of food
and plenty, even an abundance
 - 1) A full season of rain,
crops, and fruit
 - 2) A full harvest season
 - 3) An abundance of food
 - 4) An assurance of safety:
God will provide,
take care of, and look after
- b. The blessing of peace
and security
 - 1) From lawless attacks at night
 - 2) From savage animals
 - 3) From hostile people and war

- 1 “ “Do not make idols or set up an image
or a sacred stone for yourselves,
and do not place a carved stone
in your land to bow down before it.
I am the LORD your God.
- 2 Observe my Sabbaths
and have reverence for my sanctuary.
I am the LORD.
- 3 If you follow my decrees
and are careful to obey my commands,
- 4 I will send you rain in its season,
and the ground will yield its crops
and the trees their fruit.
- 5 Your threshing will continue
until grape harvest and the grape harvest
will continue until planting,
and you will eat all the food you want
and live in safety in your land.
- 6 I will grant peace in the land,
and you will lie down
and no one will make you afraid.
I will remove wild beasts from the land,
and the sword will not pass through
your country.

- c. The blessing of victory
- 1) The obedient will defeat the enemy and cause him to fall
 - 2) The obedient will be filled with courage
- d. The blessing of children, of being fruitful:
Was a promise of the covenant with Abraham (Gen 12:1-3)
- e. The blessing of having more than enough:
Will have enough to give and help others (see Eph 4:28)
- f. The blessing of God's presence
- 1) Me will dwell among — not despise — the obedient
 - 2) He will walk among the obedient: Be their God and make them His people
- g. The guarantee that God can fulfil His promises and His blessings
- 1) He is the LORD, the true God
 - 2) He is the One who delivered His people from Egypt
 - 3) He is the One who enabled

- 7 You will pursue your enemies, and they will fall by the sword before you.
- 8 Five of you will chase a hundred, and a hundred of you will chase ten thousand, and your enemies will fall by the sword before you.
- 9 I will look on you with favour and make you fruitful and increase your numbers, and I will keep my covenant with you.
- 10 You will still be eating last year's harvest when you will have to move it out to make room for the new.
- 11 I will put my dwelling place among you, and I will not abhor you.
- 12 I will walk among you and be your God, and you will be my people.
- 13 I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt so that you would no longer be slaves to the Egyptians; I broke the bars of your yoke and enabled you to walk with heads held high.