

## **The Language of Christmas: A Better Word For Uncertainty**

*And I will cause hostility between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and her offspring.  
He will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel.”  
Genesis 3:15 (NLT)*

*“Judah, your brothers will praise you.  
You will grasp your enemies by the neck.  
All your relatives will bow before you.  
<sup>9</sup> Judah, my son, is a young lion  
that has finished eating its prey.  
Like a lion he crouches and lies down;  
like a lioness—who dares to rouse him?  
<sup>10</sup> The scepter will not depart from Judah,  
nor the ruler’s staff from his descendants,  
until the coming of the one to whom it belongs,  
the one whom all nations will honor.  
Genesis 49:8-10 (NIV)*

*Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be  
established forever.”  
2 Samuel 7:16 (NIV)*

*Out of the stump of David’s family will grow a shoot—  
yes, a new Branch bearing fruit from the old root.  
<sup>2</sup> And the Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—  
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and might,  
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.  
<sup>3</sup> He will delight in obeying the Lord.  
He will not judge by appearance  
nor make a decision based on hearsay.  
<sup>4</sup> He will give justice to the poor  
and make fair decisions for the exploited.  
The earth will shake at the force of his word,  
and one breath from his mouth will destroy the wicked.  
<sup>5</sup> He will wear righteousness like a belt  
and truth like an undergarment.*

Isaiah 11:2-5 (NIV)

He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, <sup>33</sup> and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

Luke 1: 32-33 (NIV)

"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,  
though you are small among the clans<sup>[b]</sup> of Judah,  
out of you will come for me  
one who will be ruler over Israel,  
whose origins are from of old,  
from ancient times."

Micah 5:2 (NIV)

For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ.

1 Corinthians 1:20 (NIV)

For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory.

1 Corinthians 1:20 (ESV)

The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises  
and faithful in all he does.

Psalms 145:13 (NIV)

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise.

Hebrews 10:23 (NLT)

- IN ORDER TO \_\_\_\_\_ HIS PROMISES, YOU HAVE TO \_\_\_\_\_ HIS PROMISES.
- ONCE YOU \_\_\_\_\_ THE PROMISE, \_\_\_\_\_ THE PROMISE \_\_\_\_\_.

