

# Scriptures of Encouragement

## **Joshua 1:9**

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

## **2 Chronicles 16:9a**

For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.

## **Nehemiah 8:10**

Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is sacred to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

## **Lamentations 3:23-25**

Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him." The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him;

## **Psalm 20:7**

Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.

## **Psalm 27:1,3**

The Lord is my light and my salvation--- whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life---of whom shall I be afraid? . . . Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then will I be confident.

## **Psalm 32:8**

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.

## **Psalm 37:4**

Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart.

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## **Psalm 37:25-29**

I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread. They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed. Turn from evil and do good; then you will always live securely. For the Lord loves the just and will not forsake his faithful ones. They will be protected forever, but the offspring of the wicked will be cut off; the righteous will inherit the land and dwell in it forever.

## **Psalm 46:1**

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

## **Psalm 46:10a**

"Be still and know that I am God;

## **Psalm 56:10-11**

In God, whose word I praise, in the Lord, whose word I praise—in God I trust; and am not afraid. What can man do to me?

## **Psalm 61:2**

From the ends of the earth I call to you, I call as my heart grows faint; lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

## **Psalm 91:1-12**

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday. A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked. If you make the Most High your dwelling—even the Lord, who is my

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refuge---then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; they will lift you up in their hands , so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.

### **Psalm 100:4, 5**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

### **Psalm 103:12**

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

### **Psalm 112:4**

Even in darkness light dawns for the upright, for the gracious and compassionate and righteous man.

### **Psalm 121**

I lift up my eyes to the hills---where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip--- he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord watches over you---the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all harm---he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

### **Psalm 139:13-14**

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

### **Psalm 139:17-18**

How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them! Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand---when I awake, I am still with you.

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## **Proverbs 4:23**

Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.

## **Proverbs 18:10**

The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

## **Isaiah 26:3, 4**

You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord, the Lord, is the Rock eternal.

## **Isaiah 40:10-11**

See, the Sovereign LORD comes with power, and he rules with a mighty arm. See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him. He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young.

## **Isaiah 40:25-26**

“To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?” says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.

## **Isaiah 40:28-31**

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

## **Isaiah 41:10**

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

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## **Isaiah 46:4**

Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you.

## **Jeremiah 1:5**

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

## **Matthew 5:14**

"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden.

## **Matthew 5:16**

In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

## **Matthew 7:7, 8**

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.

## **Matthew 11:28-30**

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

## **Matthew 19:26**

Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

## **Luke 1:37**

For nothing will be impossible with God.

## **Luke 6:38**

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

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## **Luke 12:25**

Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?

## **John 3: 13,16**

No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. . . For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

## **John 5:24**

"I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life."

## **John 8:32-36**

Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." They answered him "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

## **John 10:10**

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life and have it to the full.

## **John 14:27**

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

## **John 15:5**

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

## **Acts 20:24**

However, I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me---the task of testifying to the gospel of God's grace.

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## **Romans 5:2-4**

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

## **Romans 6:22**

But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life.

## **Romans 8:1**

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus,

## **Romans 8:31**

What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?

## **Romans 8:35; 37-39**

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? . . . No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## **Romans 12:12**

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

## **Galatians 2:20**

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

## **Galatians 6:9**

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

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## **Ephesians 2:4-6**

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions---it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus.

## **Ephesians 2:19-22**

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his spirit.

## **Ephesians 3:20-21**

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

## **Ephesians 4:15**

Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.

## **Ephesians 4:31, 32**

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice.

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

## **Philippians 1:3-6**

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus

## **Philippians 3:13-14**

Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do:

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Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

### **Philippians 4:6-7**

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

### **Philippians 4:8**

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable---if anything is excellent or praiseworthy---think about such things.

### **Philippians 4:13**

I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

### **Colossians 1:3-6; 9-12**

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all the saints---the faith and love that spring from the hope that is stored up for you in heaven and that you have already heard about in the word of truth, the gospel that has come to you. All over the world this gospel is producing fruit and growing, just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and understood God's grace in all its truth . . . For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light.

### **Colossians 4:6**

Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

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## **1 Corinthians 10:31**

So, whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

## **1 Corinthians 15:58**

Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

## **2 Corinthians 1:10**

He has delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us. On him we have set our hope that he will continue to deliver us,

## **2 Corinthians 4:17**

For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

## **2 Corinthians 9:8**

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

## **2 Corinthians 12:9**

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.

## **1 Timothy 6:12**

Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

## **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

## **Titus 2:2**

Teach the older men to be temperate, worthy of respect, self-controlled, and sound in faith, in love and in endurance.

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## **Hebrews 12:1-3**

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Hebrews 13:6

So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?"

## **Hebrews 13:20-21**

Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

## **James 1:2-5**

Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

## **James 1:19**

My dear brothers, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,

## **James 4:6**

But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

1 Peter 5:7

Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

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## **1 Peter 5:6-10**

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings. And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.

## **2 Peter 1:3, 4**

His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

## **Jude 24-25**

To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen

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