

Truths for Any Situation Hebrews 13:9-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. (Hebrews 13:20-21—ESV).

No matter what our situation in this world, we can receive hope from what we learn in the Bible. First, God is the God of Peace. If others won't be at peace with us, we can be at peace in our hearts with them, because the God of Peace, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit live within us. No matter what, the Holy Spirit can fill us with God's love and open doors for us to share love, joy, and peace with others. Second, we belong to Jesus. Jesus is our Great Shepherd. If we cannot follow Jesus physically, we can follow Jesus spiritually. We can pray for the power to do God's will with the strength and wisdom Jesus gives us. Jesus lived, died, and rose again to make it possible for those who follow Him to go where He leads. Third, the promises Jesus gave are eternal promises, and God will always fulfill them according to God's perfect timing. Jesus shed His blood with perfect timing so God could fulfill His promises to us with perfect timing, so we know that no matter what our situation, God will fulfill His promises to us with perfect timing. Fourth, in any situation, God will give us everything we need to do His will. We can pray the Lord's Prayer for God's will to be done as His will is done in heaven. God can show us what to do moment-by-moment and give us the power to do it. Our situation may not be comfortable in the least, but ultimately doing God's will leads to what is best for us and all concerned. Fifth, no matter what, Jesus Christ can guide us and strengthen us to say and do what pleases God. Our living according to God's will and purposes will please God. Sixth, Jesus loves us, and we love Jesus. Jesus calls us His friends, and we are His brothers and sisters. As children of God, we love God and live to honor God, and we look forward to the day when we will see God and all God's children.