



“I will praise You with my whole heart; before the gods will I sing praises to You. I will worship toward Your holy temple, and praise Your name for Your loving-kindness and for Your truth; for You have magnified Your Word above all Your name.” Psalm 138:1 – 2

This present life is full of gods, demigods and idols that demand our time, money, and energy. The Christian is called to worship the one true God in the midst of all these pretenders. We are called to live a holy – that is, a separated – life that is radically different than the ones lived by idol worshippers! To do so is to feel the pressures and demands of these gods – so called – yet purposefully chose to worship Jesus Christ in the midst of such hostile spirituality, immoral conduct and carnal pressures.

The Psalmist sees a character trait of the Almighty that distinguishes Him from these deceivers – it is His Word, His promises, and His covenants. The Living God alone is able to keep His Word. He has sworn to His own hurt and His Word is His bond and it is unbreakable. (Numbers 23:19; James 1:17; Hebrews 6:13, 18; Psalm 15:4). All of this issues forth from His nature and character that is unchangeable. When He speaks, His own word is the surety that what He said He will also perform. To have His Word on any subject is to hold the guarantee that you possess – by faith – what is desired. Gods’ Word is like your check – drawn on your resources – it is a promise to make payment. The Lord’s “check” is never returned for being over drawn. His promises will never have the stamp upon them of “insufficient funds.”

“I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it. I will also do it.” (Isaiah 46:11b)

“The Word of God is my confidence. It is my hope and my source of assurance. As I meditate upon it and act accordingly, my way will become prosperous and success meets my every endeavor. In Jesus’ name I will not bow to idols or to any other pretenders! My allegiance is to Yahweh and His Messiah Jesus. Father, Your Word is my surety, and I believe it!”

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