

time. [6] In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, {7} that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,"











The face of courage

(Isaiah 41:10) "Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'" (2 Corinthians 1:3-4) "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, {4} who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God."

(2 Corinthians 12:9) "And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." .... (James 1:5) "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him."

(Psalms 23:4) "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and

Your staff, they comfort me."

(Hebrews 13:6) "So we may boldly say: "The LORD is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?""

(Isaiah 26:3) "You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You."

(Matthew 11:28-29) ""Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. [29] "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

(1 Corinthians 10:13) "No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it."

(1 John 1:9) "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

(1 Thessalonians 5:9) "For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ."

(Revelation 20:6) "Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years."

(1 Thessalonians 4:17-18) "... And thus we shall always be with the Lord. {18} Therefore comfort one another with these words."







## The Shepherds Certainty

1 Kings 15-16 emphasises two certainties that can change your life:

**1. You \_\_\_\_\_ what you \_\_\_\_\_,** 15:25-29, 33-16:6, 15-33

(Galatians 6:7-8) "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. {8} For he who sows to his flesh will

of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.'





2. God's	will	. 15:29-32.	14:6-12	, 16:7-14, 34

(Isaiah 46:9-10) "Remember the former things of old, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me, {10} Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things that are not yet done, Saying, 'My counsel shall stand, And I will do all My pleasure,'" (Joshua 6:26) "Then Joshua charged them at that time, saying, "Cursed be the man before the LORD who rises up and builds this city Jericho; he shall lay its foundation with his firstborn, and with his youngest he shall set up its gates.""

(Psalms 33:11) "The counsel of the LORD stands forever, The plans of His heart to all generations."

(Psalms 135:6) "Whatever the LORD pleases He does, In heaven and in earth, In the seas and in all deep places."

(Proverbs 19:21) "There are many plans in a man's heart, Nevertheless the Lord's counsel; that will stand."

(Proverbs 21:30) "There is no wisdom or understanding Or counsel against the LORD." (1 Peter 1:1-7) "Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To the pilgrims of the Dispersion ... {2} elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied. {3} Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, {4} to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, {5} who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last

