
A close-up photograph of a hand holding a piece of light-colored, textured paper. The hand is positioned on the left side of the frame, with fingers wrapped around the paper. The paper has a slightly mottled, aged appearance.

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A horizontal strip of brown, textured paper with a torn left edge. A small, rectangular, yellowish sticker is attached to the right side of the strip.

Psalm 37

Do not fret because of those who are evil or be envious of those who do wrong; for like the grass they will soon wither, like green plants they will soon die away.




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Psalm 37

*Psalm 37:1–6 (NIV)*

Trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn, your vindication like the noonday sun.




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*Psalm 37:1–6 (NIV)*





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❖ I must commit to God to experience the  
promises of God



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Most people fail, not because of a lack of desire, but  
because of a lack of commitment.

Vince Lombardi




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Faith is not only a commitment to the promise of  
Christ; faith is also a commitment to the demands of  
Christ.

William Barclay

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Psalm 37

*Psalm 37:5–6 (NIV)*

Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of  
your heart.




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Psalm 37

*Psalm 37:4 (NIV)*



“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.




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*John 15:5 (NIV)*

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.




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*John 15:7 (NIV)*



Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish  
your plans.




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*Proverbs 16:3 (NIV)*





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*Psalm 37*

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❖ Trust is the first step toward commitment



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*Psalm 37:5–6 (NIV)*

“But **blessed** is the one who **trusts** in the Lord, whose confidence is in him.




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*Jeremiah 17:7 (NIV)*



And without **faith** it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must **believe** that he exists and that he **rewards** those who earnestly seek him.




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*Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)*

The Lord is good and does what is right...




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Psalm 37

*Psalm 25:8 (NLT)*



Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who  
takes refuge in him.



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*Psalm 34:8 (NIV)*

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God is either trustworthy or untrustworthy. He can't  
be both.

If I cannot believe what He says, then how can I  
follow Him?



For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.




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*2 Timothy 1:12 (NKJV)*

You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.




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*Isaiah 26:3 (NIV)*





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- I must commit to God to experience the promises of God
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❖ God expects commitment



One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?”

Jesus replied: “ ‘Love the Lord your God with **all** your heart and with **all** your soul and with **all** your mind.’


This is the first and greatest commandment.



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*Matthew 22:35–38 (NIV)*


Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.



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*Revelation 3:20 (NIV)*

Just then a man came up to Jesus and asked, “Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?” “Why do you ask me about what is good?” Jesus replied. “There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life, keep the commandments.”




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*Matthew 19:16–22 (NIV)*



“Which ones?” he inquired. Jesus replied, “ ‘You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, honor your father and mother,’ and ‘love your neighbor as yourself.’ ”



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*Matthew 19:16–22 (NIV)*

“All these I have kept,” the young man said. “What do I still lack?” Jesus answered, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”

When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth.




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*Matthew 19:16–22 (NIV)*

Then he said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it.



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*Luke 9:23–24 (NIV)*



“No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”



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*Luke 16:13 (NIV)*

But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve...But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.”




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*Joshua 24:14–15 (NIV)*





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*Psalm 37*

- I must commit to God to experience the promises of God
- Trust is the first step toward commitment
- God expects commitment

❖ Is it worth committing to God? YES!



Take delight in the Lord, and **he will give you the desires of your heart.** Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this: **He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn,** your vindication like the noonday sun.



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*Psalm 37:4–6 (NIV)*

The Lord makes firm the steps of the one who delights in him;  
though he may stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds  
him with his hand.




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*Psalm 37:23–24 (NIV)*

The Lord is my shepherd; **I have all that I need**. He lets me **rest** in green meadows; **he leads me** beside **peaceful** streams. He **renews my strength**. He **guides me** along right paths, bringing honor to his name. Even when I walk through the darkest valley, **I will not be afraid**, for you are close beside me. Your rod and your staff **protect and comfort me**.



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*Psalm 23 (NLT)*



You prepare **a feast** for me in the presence of my enemies.  
You honor me by anointing my head with oil. My cup  
overflows with **blessings**.


**Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the  
days of my life, and I will live in the house of the Lord forever.**




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*Psalm 23 (NLT)*

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