

A SEASON OF DAVIDS

RAISING YOUR EXPECTATIONS



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RAISE YOUR FAITH

What can we expect?

1. He is Who He says He is
2. I am who He says I am [identity]
3. He will do what He said He will do
4. I will do what He said I will do [calling & purpose]
5. We will be who He has called us to be [as Church]

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God's divine and supernatural will

1. David's Day:

1 Samuel 16:1-13 Samuel Anoints David

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long are you going to mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem because I have selected a king from his sons." 2 Samuel asked, "How can I go? Saul will hear about it and kill me!" The Lord answered, "Take a young cow with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' 3 Then invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will let you know what you are to do. You are to anoint for Me the one I indicate to you." 4 Samuel did what the Lord directed and went to Bethlehem. When the elders of the town met him, they trembled and asked, "Do you come in peace?" 5 "In peace,"

he replied. "I've come to sacrifice to the Lord. Consecrate yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. 6 When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and said, "Certainly the Lord's anointed one is here before Him." 7 But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or his stature, because I have rejected him. Man does not see what the Lord sees, for man sees what is visible, but the Lord sees the heart." 8 Jesse called Abinadab and presented him to Samuel. "The Lord hasn't chosen this one either," Samuel said. 9 Then Jesse presented Shammah, but Samuel said, "The Lord hasn't chosen this one either." 10 After Jesse presented seven of his sons to him, Samuel told Jesse,

“The Lord hasn’t chosen any of these.” 11 Samuel asked him, “Are these all the sons you have?” “There is still the youngest,” he answered, “but right now he’s tending the sheep.” Samuel told Jesse, “Send for him. We won’t sit down to eat until he gets here.” 12 So Jesse sent for him. He had beautiful eyes and a healthy, handsome appearance. Then the Lord said, “Anoint him, for he is the one.” 13 So Samuel took the horn of oil, anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and the Spirit of the Lord took control of David from that day forward. Then Samuel set out and went to Ramah.



1. What do we learn from this passage, God's heart and our expectations?

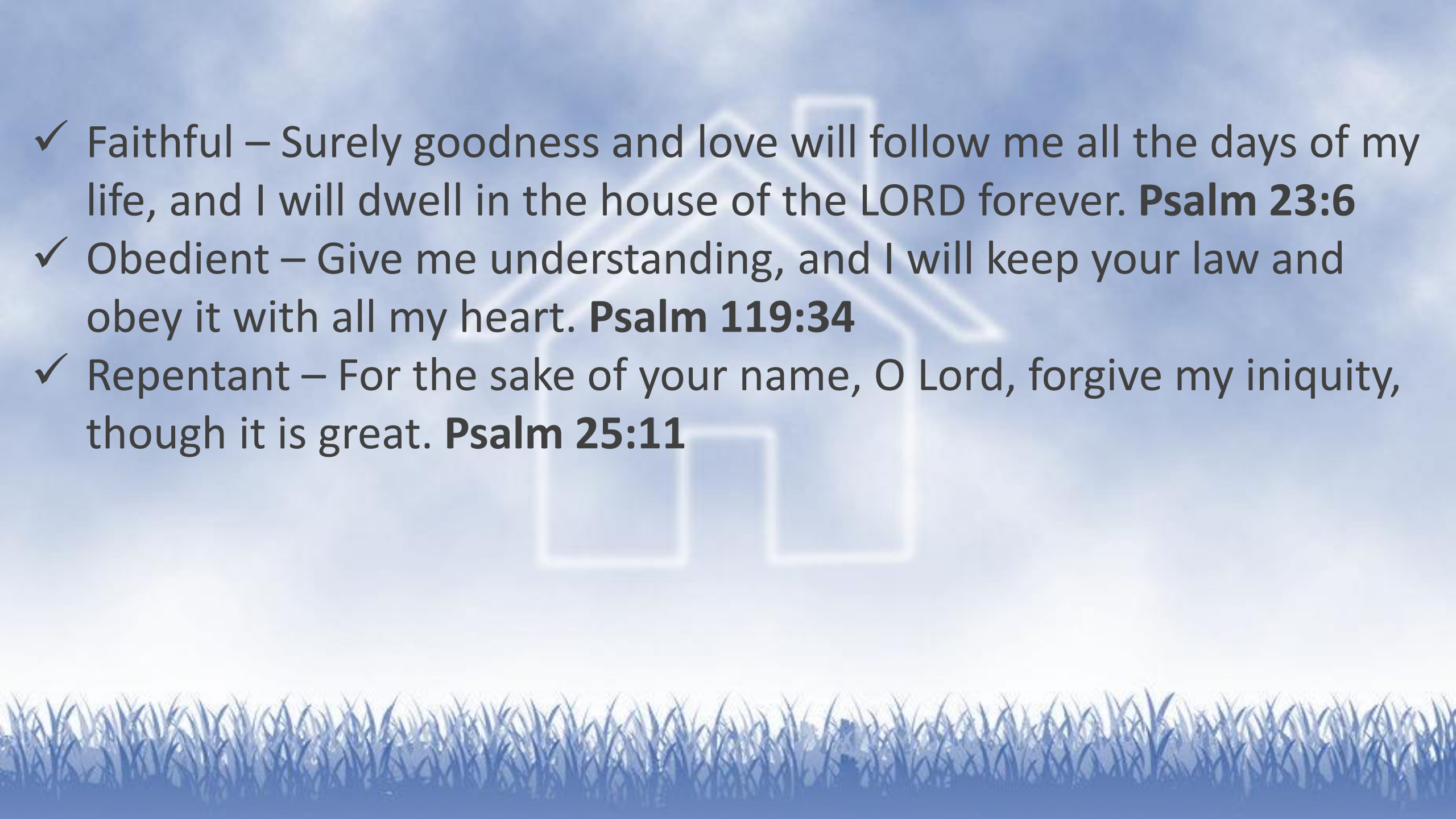
1. If it is God, it will happen
2. God judges not as man
3. God judges and sees the heart

1 Samuel 13:14

The Lord has sought for Himself a man after His own heart

Furthermore, we know David was:

- ✓ Humble – clearly
- ✓ Reverence and respectful – I call to the Lord, who is worthy of praise, and I am saved from my enemies. **Psalm 18:3**
- ✓ Loved – I love you, O Lord, my strength. **Psalm 18:1**
- ✓ Devoted – You have filled my heart with greater joy than when their grain and new wine abound. **Psalm 4:7**
- ✓ Trusted – 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? **Psalm 27:1**

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- ✓ Faithful – Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. **Psalms 23:6**
 - ✓ Obedient – Give me understanding, and I will keep your law and obey it with all my heart. **Psalms 119:34**
 - ✓ Repentant – For the sake of your name, O Lord, forgive my iniquity, though it is great. **Psalms 25:11**

Back to the passage → What can we learn?

4. God truly is sovereign and His ways supernatural

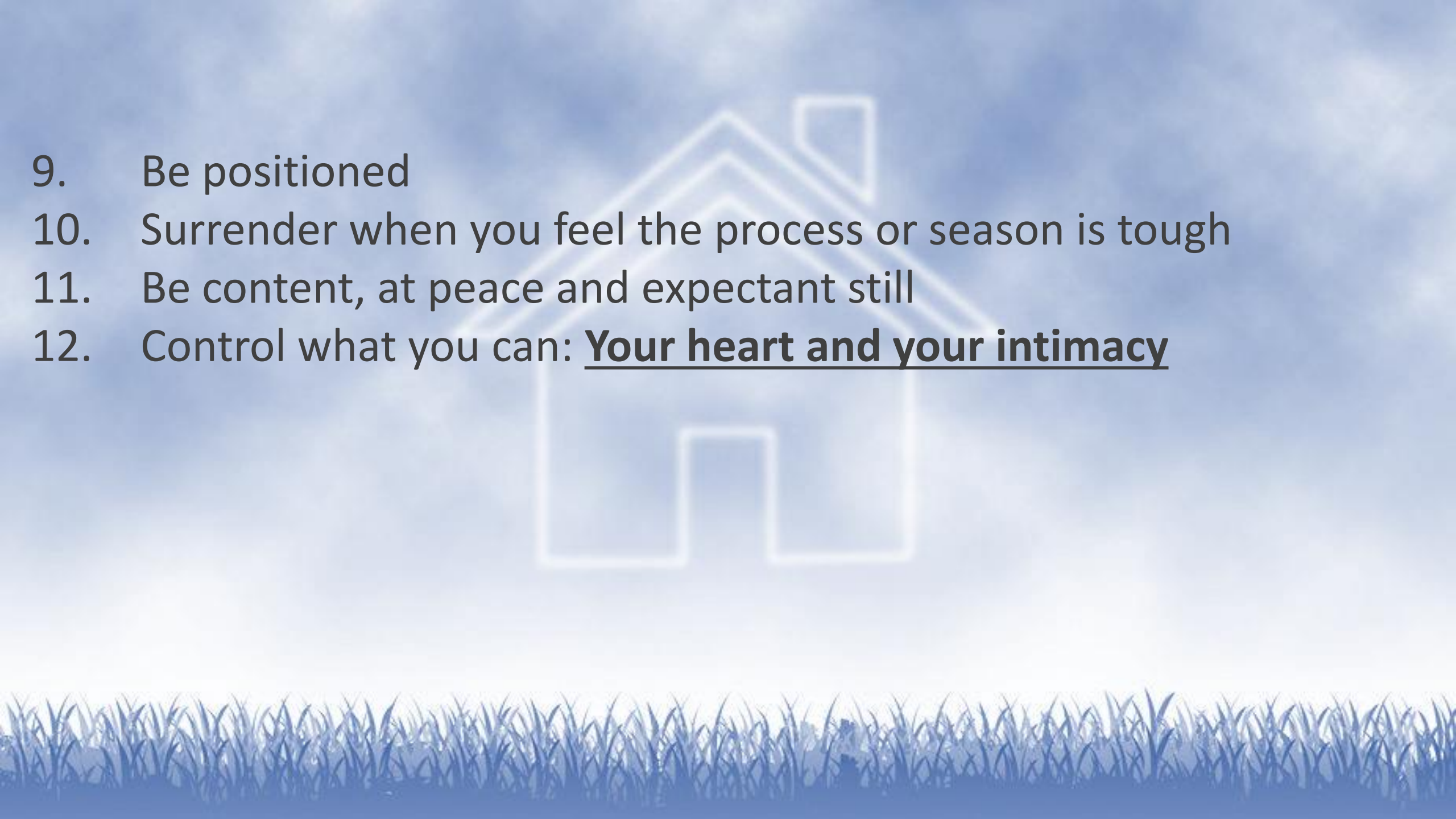
5. For David, the anointing and help came, the road was not easy...


What can I do?

6. I can trust Him, because I know Him: **If it is God it will happen**

7. I can be faithful with what is in my hands

8. Be obedient, looking to Him / **Colossians 3:23** And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men

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9. Be positioned
 10. Surrender when you feel the process or season is tough
 11. Be content, at peace and expectant still
 12. Control what you can: **Your heart and your intimacy**




**‘We must be ready
to allow ourselves
to be interrupted by
God.’** Dietrich Bonhoeffer

2. A Good God and His sovereign grace:

Psalms 147:10 He is not impressed by the strength of a horse; He does not value the power of a man.

The weak can say they are strong

Disciples, Jonah, Moses, Abraham, Jesus, Saul [Paul] etc.



**‘Hardships often
prepare ordinary people
for an extraordinary
destiny.’ C.S. Lewis**

Joseph →

Psalm 105:19 Until the time that his word came to pass, The word of the Lord tested him.

Practical, supernatural intervention by God.

Genesis 41 Joseph Interprets Pharaoh's Dreams

1 Two years later Pharaoh had a dream: He was standing beside the Nile... 9 Then the chief cupbearer said to Pharaoh, "Today I remember my faults. 10 Pharaoh had been angry with his servants, and he put me and the chief baker in the custody of the captain of the guard. 11 He and I had dreams on the same night; each dream had its own

Joseph →

meaning. 12 Now a young Hebrew, a slave of the captain of the guards, was with us there. We told him our dreams, he interpreted our dreams for us, and each had its own interpretation. 13 It turned out just the way he interpreted them to us: I was restored to my position, and the other man was hanged.”

May the cupbearers remember, Lord!

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Prayer

