

Chapter 9 God's unique resource

God enriches and strengthens every aspect of our lives through his ability to accurately foretell the future.

First, he says, “I, the Lord, do not change.” Malachi 3.6. He also declares that he loves us. John 3.16. Those two statements, when put together, amount to the following, God will continue, on and on, loving us with an *unchanging love!*

What more powerful support and encouragement could we ever ask for?

Second, God is “full of compassion, and gracious, long-suffering and abundant in mercy and truth.” Psalm 86.15.

Together with his promise, “I do not change,” this too becomes a prophecy. It says that he won't lose his temper with us when we mess up or take wrong turns. He will never give up on us. In fact, elsewhere he says, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” Hebrews 13.5.

How enriching and supportive is his unique power of prophecy.

Third, we are especially comforted at the passing of fellow-Christian loved ones. God's promise (prophecy) is that at the resurrection we will meet them again. 1 Thessalonians 4.14-18.

Because of God's promises, even in today's security-conscious society, nothing matches the Christian's security both in this life and the next.

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**“The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and minds through Christ**