

## UNCERTAINTIES AND CERTAINTIES

### *Seven Things that are Uncertain for Christians*

1. *Beauty*

Proverbs 31:30 Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain (empty): but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised (halal – to shine with God's favor).

Psalms 39:11 When thou with rebukes doest correct man for iniquity (avon – perversity, mischief), thou makest his beauty (hamad – desirableness, greatly beloved) to consume (masa – to melt, to dissolve, or vanish) away like a moth: surely every man is vanity (hebel – transitory). Selah.

2. *Men's Promises*

Psalms 146:3 Put not your trust in princes (nadib – noble in mind and character), nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.

3. *Riches*

Proverbs 23:5 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? For riches certainly make themselves wings. They fly away as an eagle toward heaven.

4. *The Future*

Proverbs 27:1 Boast not thyself of tomorrow, for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.

5. *Friendship*

John 16:32 Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to his own, and shall leave me alone, and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me.

6. *Life*

James 4:14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is our life? It is even a vapor (atmis – mist) that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth (to snatch out of sight) away.

7. *Earthly Glory*

1 Peter 1:24 For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away

## *Seven Comforting Certainties that Encourage the Saint*

### *1. Sure Promises*

1 Kings 8:56 Blessed be the Lord, that hath given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised there hath not failed (napal – cease, die, fall away, be inferior) one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant.

### *2. Sure Foundations*

Isaiah 28:16 Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried (tested) stone, precious (costly, excellent, rare, weighty) corner stone, a sure (yasad – to set, fix firm, establish) foundation, he that believeth shall not make haste (hus – to hurry, act quickly).

### *3. Sure Reward*

Matthew 10:42 And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, verily, I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

### *4. Assured Acceptance*

John 6:37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me, and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

### *5. Divine Love*

Romans 8:38-39 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come. 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### *6. Assured Immortality*

2 Corinthians 5:1 For we know that, if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

7. *Eternal Anchorage*

Hebrews 6:19 Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure (asphales – certainty) and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil.

*Seven Sobering Certainties that Face the Unrepentant Person*

1. *Certainty of Exposure*

Numbers 32:23 But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the Lord, and be sure your sin will find you out.

2. *Certainty of Disappointment*

Deuteronomy 32:32 For their vine is of the vine of Sodom (scorch and burn), and of the fields of Gomorrah (submersion) their grapes are grapes of gall, their clusters are bitter.

3. *Certainty of Leaving Earthly Possessions*

1 Timothy 6:7 For we brought nothing unto this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing not.

4. *Certainty of Death*

Ecclesiastes 8:8 There is no man that hath power (shillit – governor, mighty) over the spirit to retain the spirit neither hath he power (silton – mastery) in the day of death and there is no discharge (sending away) in that war neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.

5. *Certainty of Judgment*

Ecclesiastes 12:14 For God shall bring every work into judgment (mispat), with every secret (alam – to conceal, hide) thing, whether it be good (towb), or whether it be evil (ra).

6. *Certainty of Separation from the Righteous*

Matthew 25:31-33 When the Son of man shall come in his glory and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory, 32 And

before him shall be gathered all nations; and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats. 33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

7. *Certainty of Banishment from the Divine Presence*

2 Thessalonians 1:9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory (doxa – glorious, honor, praise) of his power (ischuros – strong, ability, prevailed).