

Someone to Count On

Scripture Reading — Psalm 89:1-4, 38-45

No matter how many promises God has made, they are “Yes” in Christ. — 2 Corinthians 1:20

When life is out of joint, we need someone to lead us through the chaos and confusion. Someone reliable. Some-one we can count on. The Bible assures us that God is reliable. With God, “Yes” means yes and “No” means no. With God, promises are a sure thing. In other words, God is someone we can count on.

God made promises to King David: to love him forever, to make him the world’s greatest king, and to preserve his royal line. But by the time of Psalm 89, David’s royal line has known nothing but trouble. Reality is completely out of joint. Whatever happened to the promises?

Jesus was born into the royal line of King David. And he knew plenty of trouble. That trouble came to a head when he was crowned with thorns and nailed to a cross. A sign over his head said, “The King of the Jews,” just to rub it in. It looked like another dead end for David’s line. What about the promises?

Well, the story didn’t end there. Jesus rose from the dead! And forty days later he took his seat at the right hand of God the Father.

All authority in heaven and on earth belongs to Jesus. And he is King, now and forever.

That’s what happened with the promises. And that’s why we can count on God.

Prayer

King Jesus, when life is out of joint, your story reminds us that we can count on God, who promised never to leave us or forsake us (Hebrews 13:5). Amen.

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