

## Longevity Promises and Provisions – September Letter 2024

Dear Friend,

Why would you want to live as long as you possibly could in this life?

For most people in this world and much of the Church, that question is answered around the subject of their happiness, their accumulation of wealth and success, and their own personal dreams fulfilled.

But what if there was a much higher reason for desiring longevity? What if there was a reason in which God Himself would join in with your desire to help ensure not only a life well lived, but one that could possibly last 120 years? That thought may sound surreal to most people and could even sound more like a fantasy than a true provision in God's word.

But does God's word give us promises or perimeters by which we can actually believe and confess for longevity of life? The answer begins with this question:

WHY DO WE WANT TO LIVE LONGER?

The Psalmist writes these words in Psalm 116:15.

**Psalm 116:15** Precious in the sight of the LORD *is* the death of his saints.

The Hebrew word for "precious" in this verse can be interpreted as "costly or valuable." So, what is the Holy Spirit telling us in this verse? He is telling us that it costs God something of great value to see one of His saints pass from earth to Heaven.

As unpopular as it may sound, it is not God's number one desire to see you come to Heaven. His number one desire is to keep you on planet earth for as long as possible so that you can be His light in a world of darkness. It is so that you can be His disciple and teach all nations to observe all the sayings of Christ. It is so that you can go everywhere, laying hands on the sick, casting out devils, and giving courage and instruction to new converts. It is so that you can instruct young families on how to raise their kids, and maybe even your neighbors' kids, to know Christ. It is so that you can be salt and light to the world. It is so that you can be like a city set on a hill to be seen by all men. It is not so that you can live your best life now!

WHY BELIEVE FOR LONGEVITY?

SO THAT YOU CAN LEAVE YOUR MARK ON THIS WORLD FOR THE SAKE OF CHRIST!

My youngest daughter used to leave me notes everywhere she went. When she was barely old enough to write, I would find her notes (mostly scribbles) everywhere, even in unsuspecting places. I would find them in my office at the church, my bedroom at home, and possibly in my luggage on out-of-town trips. The notes would simply say, "Davi Jean was here!"

GOD WANTS TO PUT (YOUR NAME) IN THAT SPOT AND SAY, “YOU WERE HERE IN THIS WORLD AND MADE A DIFFERENCE FOR CHRIST!”

No, God does not want to bring you home to Heaven! Quite the contrary! He wants to keep you here on this earth as long as possible. It is very costly to God to have another one of His emissaries of the gospel come home before their time.

DON'T START SINGING YOUR SWAN SONG OF GOING HOME TO HEAVEN! IF YOU'RE READING THIS LETTER, YOUR BEST YEARS ARE STILL AHEAD.

So, what about longevity? Is there a biblical basis to believe for long life? And is there a suggested timeline that can be seen as a provision or possibility to how long a Christian can live? And what if long life was coupled with good health that would make the journey much more desirable?

I believe that one of the major causes that keep people and especially older Christian adults from believing for extended life is having to contend with chronic pain, illness, and disease. Really, why would anyone want to extend their years on this earth just to live in more pain? But God has a better plan than that. He has one that includes both health and longevity. We all know that if someone feels good physically, they want to live as long as possible.

One of the major factors in building a platform for changing your body's health and ensuring longevity is speaking or confessing God's word. Jesus spoke these words in Mark 11:23.

**Mark 11:23** For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

When Jesus first used the word “saith” in this verse, He uses the word “lego” in the Greek. He then uses another word for “saith” which means only “to speak.” But “lego” means to set something into discourse by speaking. We could say it like this: It means to say something in belief that a discourse of events has been set into motion to bring about the desired end result. My emphasis added would be that it should be said with an image or imagination of the very thing coming into existence. Therefore, speaking to the mountain would not only involve saying something, it would also carry an image of change. So, speaking to the mountain of sickness, pain, and disease should not only be a matter speaking God's word, but also seeing an image of the change it would make in your life.

God's word is full of promises concerning health and long life. But is there an earmark for the extent of longevity in years that we might set our faith towards in obtaining?

**Genesis 2:17** But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

God created Adam and Eve to live both physically and spiritually forever. But he warned Adam that in the day he ate of the forbidden fruit, he would die. According to Genesis chapter three, Adam did eat of the forbidden fruit and died instantly in the spirit but lived physically for many more centuries until the age of 930 years old. This was the first time God changed the time limit for the longevity of man's life. From that time on, men began to die, but still lived hundreds of years. The fall in the garden actually cut the genetic timeline of man's life.

**Genesis 6:5** And GOD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually.

**Genesis 6:6** And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

**Genesis 6:7** And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

**Genesis 6:8** But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

From the creation of Adam until the time of Noah, the world came to a point of critical mass. It was no longer possible for God to allow man's existence, and so He produced the flood in which He destroyed all of humanity except Noah and his family. After the flood, He gave Noah the same commission that He had originally given to Adam.

**Genesis 9:1** And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

But just prior to the flood, God makes one more genetic code change in the longevity possibilities of mankind. You might say God slashed the genetic timeline the second time.

**Genesis 6:3** And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also *is* flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.

**Notice that God says his days shall be 120 years.**

**THIS SEEMS TO BE THE LAST SCRIPTURALLY BASED SLASH IN THE GENETIC TIME OF MANS LONGEVITY.**

**After the flood, Noah and many of his descendants continued to live for hundreds of years, but there was always a continual decline taking place. The decline seemingly continued all the way up until the time of Moses in which we find this written about him:**

**Deuteronomy 34:7** And Moses *was* an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

The 120 years mentioned in Genesis 6:3 is not a promise that everyone who is a Christian is going to live to be 120 years old. It is not as much a promise as it is to be seen as a perimeter provision. It is as if God is saying that if anyone wants to, they can believe for the maximum amount of lifespan of 120 years, and it is a good perimeter to believe for.

Trust me, the perimeter has been set. If mankind was to go on for another thousand years, no matter what diet or exercise people participated in, they would not start living hundreds of years once again. But we have a wonderful mark to shoot for. And you will always have exceptions to the rule like Jeanne Calment, a French woman who died in 1997 at the age of 122. The world is home to an estimated **722,000** centenarians, according to the United Nations' population projections for 2024. And America has an estimated 108,000 of those centenarians.

So, you see, even in the natural, this provision is not that surreal in obtaining. But how much more in the supernatural health that comes through God's word is this obtainable for the purposes of staying on this planet to preach His gospel!?

The closer we get to a full-scale Revival for this planet, I believe that there will be thousands of Christians living well past 100 years old. Decades of youth will be renewed to them. Many will live healthier in their 80s and 90s than they did even in their 50s and 60s.

The secret will be to speak and confess God's word over their lives with the image of change taking place in their bodies. This will be energized by God's grace as God agrees with them for the purpose of using them in this great harvest of billions of souls.

I am including in this letter some scripturally based confessions concerning health and longevity of life. I would encourage you to speak these things over yourselves as often as you possibly can. Trust me, it will make a difference!

In closing, I want to say once again as always that Candy and I appreciate your prayers, love, and financial support for this ministry. You are loved and appreciated.

Blessings,  
Pastor Bronc

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## Longevity Confessions

**Psalm 91:15** He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I *will* be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

**Psalm 91:16** With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

Father, I say that because I call upon You, that You will answer me and will be with me in trouble, deliver me, and honor me.

I say that with long life You will satisfy me and show me Your salvation.

**Proverbs 3:1** My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:

**Proverbs 3:2** For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.

Father, I say that because I do not forget Your laws but keep Your commandments in my heart, that length of days, long life, and peace You will add to me.

**Genesis 6:3** And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also *is* flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.

Father, I say that according to Your provision, I will live to be at least 120 years old. I will live without infirmities. My mind will be sharp all the days of my life, and my body will be strong and filled with health.

**Deuteronomy 34:7** And Moses *was* an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

Father, I say that as You were with Moses, so You are with me. I will live to be at least 120 years old, and my eyes will not be dim, nor my natural physical force depleted. I will be just as strong at 120 as I am now. I will not grow senile. I will not pass away in a hospital or nursing facility, but I will pass from this life into Your glory at my own home under familiar surroundings. And I will need no physical assistance until the day of my departure.

**Exodus 20:12** Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

**Ephesians 6:1** Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.

**Ephesians 6:2** Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;)

**Ephesians 6:3** That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.

Father, I thank You that because I choose to honor my parents, whether living or dead, I receive Your commandment with promise. You have promised me long life on the earth, and I say that I will live to be at least 120 years old.

**Psalms 103:1** Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, *ble*ss his holy name.

**Psalms 103:2** Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

**Psalms 103:3** Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

**Psalms 103:4** Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;

**Psalms 103:5** Who satisfieth thy mouth with good *things*; so *that* thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Lord, I bless You and I do not forget all Your benefits to me. You have forgiven all my iniquities and healed all my diseases. You have redeemed my life from destruction and crowned me with lovingkindness and tender mercies. You have satisfied my mouth with good things so that my youth is renewed like the eagle's. Therefore, I say that decades of youth are restored to my physical body.