

Trust in a Promise

When the famous missionary David Livingstone made his first trip to Africa, some friends accompanied him to the ship to bid him farewell. They loved him deeply and were greatly concerned for his safety in that faraway land. One of them pleaded with him not to go.

Livingstone, however, was convinced that he was doing God's will. Opening his Bible, he read to his friend the words of Jesus, "Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Then he said, "That, my friend, is the word of a gentleman. So let us be going."

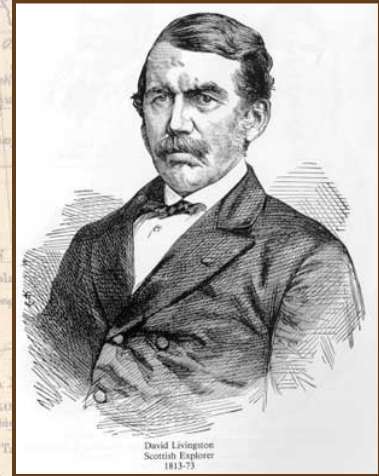
Many years later, Livingstone was invited to speak at the University of Glasgow. He posed this question to his audience: "Would you like me to tell you what supported me through all the years of exile among a people whose language I could not understand, and whose attitude toward me was always uncertain and often hostile? It was this: 'Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.'"

"On these words I staked everything, and they have never failed."

What about you? In whatever trial, whatever circumstance, whatever adversity you are facing, are you trusting in that promise?

Believe me, you can.

— Beecher Hunter



David Livingstone
Scottish Explorer
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