

## ***My Wishes and His Promises***

***“God fulfills all His promises, not all my wishes.” D. Bonhoeffer***

*God has promised me His eternal life, but not a long life.*

*God has promised me His healing on the new earth, but not on always this earth.*

*God has promised me His comfort, but not a life without pain.*

*God has promised me His wedding feast, but not a spouse.*

*God has promised me His righteousness, but not righteous people.*

*God has promised me His home in heaven, but not a house on earth.*

*God has promised me His joy, but not a life without sorrow.*

*God has promised me His justice, but not human justice.*

*God has promised me His power, but not a life without weakness.*

*God has promised me His sufficiency, but not a life without insufficiencies.*

*God has promised me His wisdom, but not a life without questions.*

*God has promised me His guidance, but not a life without confusion.*

*God has promised me His reward in heaven, but not man’s recognition on earth.*

*God has promised me His victory, but not a life without conflict.*

*God has promised me His presence, but not a life without loneliness.*

*God has promised me His vengeance, but not a life without forgiving.*

*God has promised me His grace, but not a life without repentance.*

*God has promised me His blessing, but not a life without obedience.*

*God has promised me His reward, but not a life without a race.*

*God has promised me His love, but not a life without rejection.*

*God has promised me His peace, but not a life without turmoil.*

*God has promised us His care, but not a life without delays.*

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