

Standing on the Promises 3/24/19

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2. Discern between conditional & unconditional promises

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2. Carefully Study them (Interpretation)
3. By prayer Secure them (Application)

UNDERSTANDING THE PRINCIPLES OF PRAYER

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2. Elijah was righteous
3. Elijah was fervent

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3. A promise to claim
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