

## The Christian Promise

On my honor I promise that I will do my best:  
To do my duty to God and my country;  
To help other people at all times;  
To obey the Scout Law. (The Scout Promise)

It takes a special kind of person to make the preceding promise. Then again, scouts are a special group of people. They have good reputations, they work hard, and scouts are good citizens.

I do not mean to imply that all scouts are Christians, but there are certainly qualities in them from which Christians could learn. The commitment they have, their loyalty to one another and their desire to do good for others is beyond that of most young people today.

Is there a Christian promise that we could quote every time we gathered together? Maybe we could say, "I promise to love God with all my heart, soul and mind and to love my neighbor as myself." Maybe our promise could be, "I promise to live by faith in my efforts to diligently seek God, and to please him above all else and help others as I would want to be helped."

Wouldn't be something to remind ourselves of who we are each time we get together? Oh, wait! We do that! Jesus said, "Do this in remembrance of me." Do you remember? Of course you do! He told us in [Luke 22:19](#), "This is my body, which is given for you," [v. 20](#) and likewise the cup after they had eaten saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

Paul reminds us in [1 Corinthians 11:26](#) "As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes!"

His life, death, burial and resurrection are basis for everything we do! The gospel is basis for our life, breath, thoughts, and actions. How we live and work and worship demonstrates who we are and our relationship to God! It tells people that we want to do good things, and be good and benefit others around us because God has blessed us and He deserves honor and praise for what He has done for us!

Promise Him that you'll never forget it!

Love to all,

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