

WHEN YOU NEED SAFETY STRETCH OUT YOUR HAND TO GOD

JOB 13-19

Yet if you devote your heart to him and stretch out your hands to him, if you put away the sin that is in your hand and allow no evil to dwell in your tent, then you will lift up your face without shame; you will stand firm and without fear. You will surely forget your trouble, recalling it only as waters gone by. Life will be brighter than noonday and darkness will become like morning. You will be secure, because there is hope; You will look about you and take your rest and safety. You will lie down, with no-one to make you afraid, and many will court your favour.

In Matthew 9:20-22, a woman suffering from health issues reached out for Jesus, and she was healed. Her faith in Jesus healed her.

Jesus also healed a man's hand on Sabbath in Matthew 12. He told the man to reach out his hand and the man obeyed despite his pain and physical ailments. This act of obedience showed his faith in Jesus to heal him. It required the man to obey and do what seemed impossible. But as he stretched his hands towards Jesus, he put faith into action. The result was Jesus restoring his hand.

MATTHEW 12:12-13

"He said to them, 'If any of you has a sheep and it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will you not take hold of it and lift it out? How much more valuable is a person than a sheep! Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath.'" Then he said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." So he stretched it out and it was completely restored, just as sound as the other. But the Pharisees went out and plotted how they might kill Jesus."

What can you learn from these stories?



GOD'S PROMISES FOR SAFETY

What promises in scripture help you feel safe?

Write a prayer to God seeking his safety (Psalm 37:4)

