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Hebrews 6:13-20

Oaths are taken all the time, both in a professional capacity and in a personal capacity. An oath is defined as "a solemn promise, often invoking a divine witness, regarding one's future action or behavior."

In some cases, you can get into serious trouble for taking an oath and then going back on your word or not living up to your promise. For example, when you testify in court, you take an oath to tell the truth. If you lie on the witness stand, you can be tried for and convicted of perjury for breaking your oath. A person who takes an oath of loyalty to their country can be tried for treason if they are found to have betrayed it.

In Genesis, God made a promise to Abraham and bound it with an oath: "Since there was no one greater for him to swear by, he swore by himself" (Hebrews 6:13). In the same way, God has promised all who believe in Him through His Son, Jesus Christ, an abundant life (John 10:10; Romans 5:17). Not only did He promise, but He also swore it with an oath!

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