

## 55 Bible Verses of How God Transforms Our Lives

### And Redeems Our Stories

### *All beginning with the “Re”*

The dictionary defines the prefix “re” to mean “again,” “do again,” “over again,” and “anew.” And isn’t that what the gospel is all about—Jesus giving His life for ours so that we can “re”—start again, do again, begin anew.

The very act of redemption, Jesus’ trading in His life for ours so that we can be saved from the penalty of sin and be made spiritually alive, is the most important “re” word of all. Knowing Jesus and the power of His resurrection allows us to have a better story than the one we were born into.

I’ve begun to think of Yahweh as God of the “Re” in our lives. Savor these verses of what He has done and will continue to do in your life. God...

1. Rearranges my life.

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.” Jeremiah 29:11-13

2. Realizes my weaknesses.

As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust. Psalm 103:13-14

3. Reassures me of His love.

“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am

convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:35, 37-39

4. Rebirths my spirit.

When the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. Titus 3:4-7

5. Rebukes me when I fail.

Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest, and repent. Revelation 3:19

6. Recalls my straying feet.

Therefore, tell the people: This is what the LORD Almighty says: "Return to me," declares the LORD Almighty, "and I will return to you," says the LORD Almighty. Zechariah 1:3

7. Recaptures my heart.

"I will do this to recapture the hearts of the people of Israel, who have all deserted me for their idols." Ezekiel 14:5

8. Receives me just as I am.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God--not by works, so that no one can boast. Ephesians 2:8-9

9. Reconciles me to Himself.

For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to

create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. Ephesians 2:14-18

10. Recovered me when I was lost.

I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak. Ezekiel 34:16

11. Redeems me from the curse of the Law.

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit. Galatians 3:13-14

12. Renews my mind.

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing, and perfect will. Romans 12:2

13. Refills my leaking cup with joy.

You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand. Psalm 16:11

14. Refines me like silver.

For you, God, tested us; you refined us like silver. Psalm 66:10

15. Reflects His glory on my face.

And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. 2 Corinthians 3:18

16. Refreshes me with His Spirit.

A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed. Proverbs 11:25

17. Regards my weaknesses.

Blessed is he who has regard for the weak; the LORD delivers him in times of trouble. Psalm 41:1

18. Replaces my weaknesses with His strengths.

That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong. 2 Corinthians 12:10

19. Regenerates my dead spirit and makes it alive together with Christ.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. 1 Peter 1:3-5

20. Refuses to leave me.

"Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." Hebrews 13:5

21. Reinforces His protection like a strong tower.

The name of the LORD is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe. Proverbs 18:10

22. Rejoices over me with singing.

As a young man marries a maiden, so will your sons marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you. Psalm 62:5

23. Rejuvenates my dead spirit and makes it new.

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. Colossians 2:13

24. Releases me from bondage.

My eyes are ever on the LORD, for only he will release my feet from the snare. Psalm 25:15

25. Relentlessly pursues me.

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

26. Relieves my troubled soul.

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

27. Relies on no one. He is complete in Himself.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to him and said, "I am El-Shaddai [The all sufficient One]—'God Almighty.' Serve me faithfully and live a blameless life. Genesis 17:1 NLT

"I am the first and I am the last; apart from me there is no God."  
Isaiah 44:6

28. Relishes our time together.

His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor his delight in the legs of the warrior; the LORD delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love. Psalm 147:11

29. Remains in me forever.

Remain in me, and I will remain in you. John 15:4

30. Remakes my heart of stone into a heart of flesh.

I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh.  
Ezekiel 11:19

31. Remedies my diseases.

Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and

crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. Psalm 103:2-5

32. Remembers me always.

Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you! See, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are ever before me. Isaiah 49:16

33. Reminds me of His teaching

But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. John 14:26

34. Removes my sin.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. Psalm 103:11-12

35. Removes my sadness.

You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing to you and not be silent. LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever. Psalm 31:11-12

36. Renews my spirit.

Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint. Isaiah 40:30-31

37. Repairs my broken heart.

He heals the broken hearted and binds up their wounds. Psalm 147:3

38. Replaces beauty for ashes.

He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives... to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes...  
Isaiah 61:1,3

39. Reopens doors that were closed.

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.  
Matthew 7:7-8

40. Re-plenishes me when I am empty.

Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things. Psalm 107:8-9

41. Replies to my call.

In my anguish I cried to the LORD, and he answered by setting me free.  
Psalm 118:5

42. Repurposes my pain.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

43. Rescues me from the domain of darkness.

For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1:12-14

44. Rescues me from my enemies.

He rescued me from my powerful enemy, from my foes, who were too strong for me. Psalm 17:18



45. Rescues me when I go astray.

"Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Luke 15:4-5

46. Reserves an eternal inheritance for me in heaven.

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47. Resides in me and around me.

On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. John 14:20

48. Relinquishes me from the penalty of sin.

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 2 Corinthians 5:21

49. Responds to my needs.

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19

50. Restores my soul.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. Psalm 23:1-3

51. Resurrects me when my body dies.

We know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself. 2 Corinthians 4:14



52. Reveals mysteries.

He reveals mysteries from the darkness and brings the deep darkness into light. Job 12:22 And He has made known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to bring all things in heaven and on earth together in Christ. Ephesians 1:9,10

53. Revokes and Reverses my guilty sentence.

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. Romans 8:1-2.

54. Rewards me when I earnestly seek Him.

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him. Hebrews 11:6

55. Rewrites my history, giving me a new story.

Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. 1 Peter 2:10

Want to have a better story? Sharon's book, *When You Don't Like Your Story: What if Your Worst Chapters Could Become Your Greatest Victories* will show you how.

God doesn't want to remove the worst parts of your story, but to repurpose them for good.

