Title: Look Up

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# His heart for your heart

### **Psalm 37:4**

<sup>4</sup>Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart.

#### First contact

# **Genesis 12:1-3 (NLT)**

<sup>1</sup>The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you."

## Look up

#### **Genesis 15:1-6 (NLT)**

¹Some time later, the Lord spoke to Abram in a vision and said to him, "Do not be afraid, Abram, for I will protect you, and your reward will be great." ²But Abram replied, "O Sovereign Lord, what good are all your blessings when I don't even have a son? Since you've given me no children, Eliezer of Damascus, a servant in my household, will inherit all my wealth. ³You have given me no descendants of my own, so one of my servants will be my heir." ⁴Then the Lord said to him, "No, your servant will not be your heir, for you will have a son of your own who will be your heir." ⁵Then the Lord took Abram outside and said to him, "Look up into the sky and count the stars if you can. That's how many descendants you will have!" ⁶And Abram believed the Lord, and the Lord counted him as righteous because of his faith.

#### El-Shaddai

#### **Genesis 17:1-7 (NLT)**

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to him and said, "I am El-Shaddai—'God Almighty.' Serve me faithfully and live a blameless life. ²I will make a covenant with you, by which I will guarantee to give you countless descendants." ³At this, Abram fell face down on the ground. Then God said to him, ⁴"This is my covenant with you: I will make you the father of a multitude of nations! ⁵What's more, I am changing your name. It will no longer be Abram. Instead, you will be called Abraham, for you will be the father of many nations. ⁶I will make you extremely fruitful. Your descendants will become many nations, and kings will be among them! ⁻"I will confirm my covenant with you and your descendants after you, from generation to generation. This is the everlasting covenant: I will always be your God and the God of your descendants after you.

### Children of Abraham

## **Galatians 3:26-29 (NLT)**

<sup>26</sup>For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>27</sup>And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes. <sup>28</sup>There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you.

# Yes, yes, yes

### 2 Corinthians 1:20

<sup>20</sup>For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.