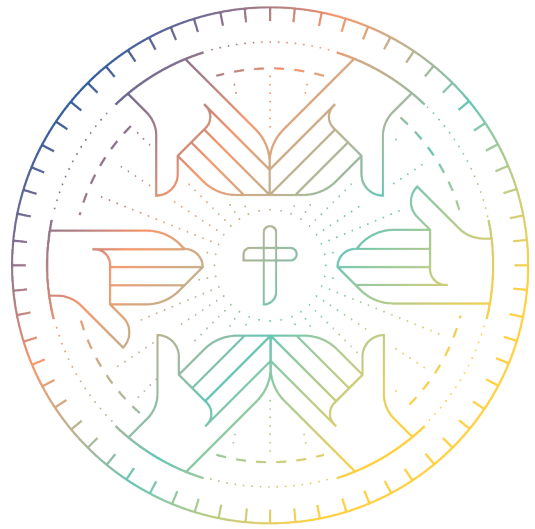


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SMALL GROUP GUIDE

Promises: "The Greatest Promise"

Scripture Focus: John 3:16; John 17:3; 2 Corinthians 1:20

ICEBREAKER

Share a time when someone has made a promise to you, then kept it. How did that affect your relationship with them?

OR

How has God helped you overcome a situation where a promise was broken? What did that do for your trust in Him?

SERMON SUMMARY

"Promises matter, and when someone keeps or breaks one, it sticks with you." Broken promises can cause us to guard against trusting others, while promises kept builds trust. In a world full of broken promises, it can be easy for us to become skeptical, guarded, and jaded—even towards God. But in John 3:16, we see the love and faithfulness of God displayed as He kept "The Greatest Promise" by giving His only Son, Jesus. This week's message reminds us that God can and should be trusted. He has our best interests in mind and in Him, we can place our eternal hope.

What part of Pastor Levi's message stood out to you most?

INTO THE WORD

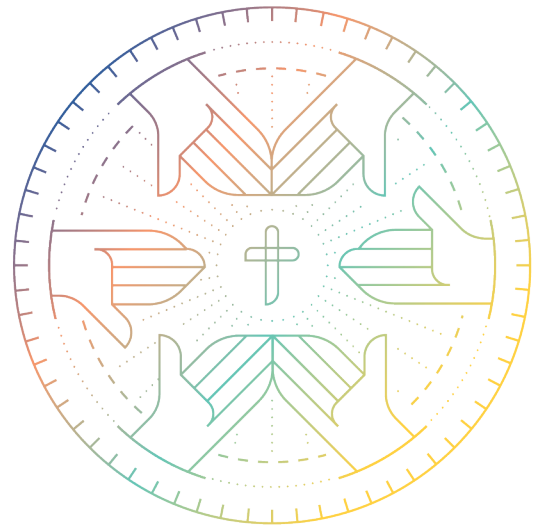
Read John 3:16 and Ephesians 2:8-9. How do these verses reveal the heart of God, as well as what God expects from us?

Read John 17:3 and 1 John 5:20. In these verses, John helps us to understand that eternal life is not just something that occurs after death, it is about a relationship with God today. How can this truth affect your thoughts, actions, and motivations?

Read 2 Corinthians 1:20 and Ephesians 1:13-14. In this series, we have studied that God promises peace, His presence, restoration, returns, and eternal life. How do these verses strengthen your trust that God keeps His promises and how can we give Him the glory as we live out our daily lives?

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EMBRACE AND EMBODY

Trust requires surrender. When we trust, we choose to surrender doubt, insecurity, fear, or control and instead place our hope in something or someone. This week, make a decision to trust in God and surrender your circumstances to Him. Potential next steps could be starting a relationship with Jesus for the very first time, it could be renewing your relationship with Him, it could be letting go of a lie that God's promises are only for the future and not the present, or it could be intentionally making God known to others while still experiencing a current difficulty.

Seek God Daily: Memorize 2 Corinthians 1:20 - *"For all the promises of God find their Yes in Him. That is why it is through Him that we utter our Amen to God for His glory."*

OPTIONAL PRAYER PRACTICE

Have your group members partner in groups of 2-3 people and go to different areas of the space. Encourage group members to share a promise of God that stuck out to them during this series, and have each group spend a few minutes praying for their other group members out loud. Example prayer prompts: thank God for His promises; invite the Holy Spirit to lead group members to take their next right steps; ask God for the courage to surrender areas that are difficult to release; ask God for the strength to trust Him in new or greater ways.

CLOSING PRAYER

Father, we thank You for the gift of Jesus and that in Him, we can have a personal relationship with You forever! We thank You for the Holy Spirit, who seals us and guarantees our inheritance. We ask that You help us surrender every area to You and trust You to fulfill all of Your promises. To You be the glory forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.