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I Will Instruct You and Teach You the Way You Should Go

Psalm 32:8 September 4, 2022

Introduction: The Bible insists that there is a God and that God has given us "his precious and very great promises" (2 Peter 1:4). Throughout the ages followers of Jesus have found that to be true...and transformational. Religion is dead, buried deep beneath our broken promises. But Jesus lives, and because he lives we also find life, not in our promises to God but in God's promises to us. So what are they? Exactly what does God promise you? Check your Bible, and commit them to memory. God never breaks his word. Count on it.

Prayer: Father, lead us in learning about your great promises. Amen.

Read: Psalm 32:8

Review: What did you learn about joy from the summer series?

Discussion:

- 1. Read verses 3 and 4 of Psalm 32; the psalmist was lost; what was the psalmist's solution?
- 2. Verse 7 begins with "you", followed by David's great affirmation. Have you affirmed God's help in your own life in such a way? Explain.
- 3. Verse 8 begins with "I". What do you think "instruct" and "teach" mean here?
- 4. How does God's counsel actively help us in the way we should go? Is "watch over you" an encouragement to you? Explain.

Application: This week, let us remember the great promise of God's counsel and guidance.

Prayer: Father, as we begin this journey of looking at some of your great promises, let us rejoice in your grace and compassion for us. Amen.