

promises | *He has given us his precious and very great promises*

And I Will Not Remember Your Sins

Isaiah 43:25c

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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, thank you for the gift of your Word. As we prepare to open your scripture together, teach us about yourself and guide us by your Holy Spirit to an understanding of your love and care for us. Amen.

Read: Isaiah 43:25

Review: How were you able to apply Isaiah 55:12 to your life? Pastor George spoke of three views of life in his sermon (September 18) How has your view of the created world changed?

Discussion:

1. Do you remember your sins? How does remembering your own sins make you feel? Can you relate to David in Psalm 32:3-5?
2. What does it mean that God does not remember our sins? What does it mean to you to “forgive and forget” offenses against you?
3. What has God done to make forgiveness possible? See Romans 3:20-26.
4. God’s promises of forgiveness are found throughout the Bible. What is your favorite passage about God’s forgiveness? If you have difficulty calling one to mind, try 1 John 1:5-10; Colossians 2:13-14; Psalm 103:1-5; Jeremiah 31:31-34.

Application: Choose a verse about forgiveness to meditate on this week. How could that change your thinking about sin, guilt and shame?

Prayer: Father thank you that you do not treat us as our sins deserve, but have chosen to forgive us through the blood of Jesus. Help us to come out from the shadows of shame into the glorious light of your presence. Amen.