

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

Because I Live, You Also Will Live

Malachi 3:10b

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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 God, giver of life, help us as we examine your Holy word to understand the dimensions of the life you have given us. Open our hearts to your teaching. Amen.

Read: John 14:19

Review: What did you learn about how you test God? Was it like Exodus 17:1-7 or like Malachi 3:10?

Discussion:

1. What does Jesus promise about eternal life? See also John 3:16-18; John 11:25-26; John 6:50-51
2. How does Jesus describe the life we can have now? Are these descriptions of your current experience of life in Christ? See also John 10:7-10; John 17:1-3; 2 Corinthians 5:17-19
3. How do you experience eternal life now? See also John 5:25; John 10:27-28; Matthew 10:39; Matthew 19:29-30
4. Which of the verses you’ve studied tonight (or others you might recall) are most encouraging to you? What in particular do you find encouraging?

Application: Think about God’s promise of life. How can you see your day-to-day life differently in light of this promise?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, thank you for paying the cost to redeem our lives from destruction. Help us to experience the abundant life you promise in the days ahead. Amen.