

Promise of God: Eternal Life

Description

1 John 2:18-25.

If you're a parent reading this today, no doubt you've heard these words at some point: "But you promised!" Or perhaps you've heard these words from your dentist: "I promise it won't hurt!" (sorry for bringing up that bad memory!). Perhaps we recall the words of a politician stating: "No new taxes!" Well, we are a well-intentioned lot, aren't we?

The truest of promises through the ages comes down to this singular passage. If what you have heard abides in you, then you will abide in the Son and in the Father. And this is what God has promised: eternal life.

I remembered this very well the day I stood by my dying father's bedside. He abided in the Father, in the Son, and in the Holy Spirit. Although I'm certain that cheering him on home was the most difficult thing my family and I had ever done, it was also a moment where I knew this passage to become all so real and exciting.

The "I promise" from God never fails. In this we can have confidence; we will not be put to shame before Him at His coming. Thanks be to God!

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