



Sermon Growth Guide

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What David Knew - Guide

Psalm 25

Key Verse: Psalm 25:5 "Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long."

Big Idea: We can trust and obey God, our good guide.

Foundations

Happy Mother's Day! There's a thematic tie today between how King David knew God was his guide and how very often mothers are great guides. Who has been a faithful, guiding mother to you over the years? Let them know today and celebrate them!

Pastor Tim writes: "A guide doesn't just give you the answer but shows you how to apply it. If you have knowledge, that's only the first step. Knowing when to apply it is just as important. Knowledge without application is like having poison ivy cream in your cabinet and never rubbing any on the rash."

Where is God leading you in this season? How can you apply what you have learned from Scripture, your guiding arm?

Spend time this week sharing with one another how you have been guided well, perhaps by a mother in your life. What does good guiding look like? Using that image, discuss when you have felt the guiding arm of the Lord. Did you follow Him? Pray for our mothers in the church, thanking God for the way in which they model for us God's guiding arm.

Understanding God's Word

Where does David place his trust throughout this psalm?

What is David's request in verse five?

What stands out to you most in this psalm, and why?

Applying God's Word

We can trust and obey God, our good guide.

Take time to describe a time in your life when you've been faced with a difficult decision. Perhaps you wanted to go one way, but you knew God's way was the other way. God is our good guide, but it isn't always easy to follow Him, as our pride can easily get in the way. Discern with your circle how you can cultivate even deeper resilience in following your good Guide.

Witnessing God's Word

One image brought to bear on our minds this weekend is the image of being lost as a result of not following our guide. Pray for the lost around you, that God would use you, His hands and feet, to show the way.

No matter where you are, there is a Psalm to reach you and lead you back home to God.