

# VISION

## 2020

### LESSON 6 // SEE THE PROMISES

**Big Idea:** Spiritual vision is critical to spiritual growth, and an important part of spiritual vision is seeing God's promises. As our eyes are opened to His promises, everything changes.

When we see God's promises, we grow in faith, receive His power and experience His blessings. Then we have valuable resources to navigate life's problems and pain. We are motivated to change our attitudes and actions as we understand God and His ways. We also gain focus for our prayers, freedom from our shame and eternal hope for our future.

***Psalm 103:1-8 (NIV)** Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. <sup>2</sup> Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits — <sup>3</sup> who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, <sup>4</sup> who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, <sup>5</sup> who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. <sup>6</sup> The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. <sup>7</sup> He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel: <sup>8</sup> The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.*

#### Discussion Questions:

This weekend we learned about 10 things that happen when we see God's promises. What part of the message spoke to you the most and why?

Think about your life before Christ. What are some ways the power of God's word changed your life?

Are you currently living your life based on a vision of God's promises or out of fear, hopelessness or self-effort?

When we see God's promises, we discover valuable resources that help us navigate through life's problems and pains. When you go through a problem, do you lean on God's promises to encourage yourself through it? How do the people around you encourage you to lean on God?

We all, at one point or another, experience pain and suffering in life. Think about how you respond to these things. What attitudes do you have as you face difficulties?

**Read 2 Corinthians 9:8.** What's a need you have in your life? What promises can you claim in this season? What steps can you take to focus your vision more on Jesus?

#### Leader Tip:

Have each person write a promise they can read and speak aloud on an index card this week. Encourage them to place it somewhere easily accessible and press in daily with faith.

#### Prayer Focus:

*Lord, your promises are good and never fail. Help us to put our hope in your words as we live a life worthy of what you've called us to. In Jesus' name, amen.*