

SKY-HIGH NOSE DIVE | SERMON STUDY

Proverbs 16

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Dive deeper into this week's message and passages from the Bible. Here are some questions to help you guide your group discussion.

A lot of times, the direction we should take in life or the choices we should make aren't very clear. It can feel like we're nosediving—and we may not even realize it until we crash. Is there a way to know we're going the right way? Proverbs, a book of wisdom, can help us find the clarity we need to discern God's will.

Read Proverbs 16:1-9 and Proverbs 16:25. Even in the storms of life, you can know God's plan for your life. You can have confidence and hope that your life is always moving in the right direction, that you have freedom in your choices and that God is still in control.

- When have you ever asked, "Is my life going where God wants it to? How can I know?"
- One of the greatest fears we could face is not knowing whether or not our life is headed in the right direction and to find out too late that it's not. How does it feel to know that you have 100% freedom in your choices, yet God is 100% in control of your life?
- However, in order for your plans to succeed, you have to make a choice: Commit your actions to the Lord and unconditionally trust him with everything or go your own way. Which choice have you made? How is your choice working out? Are there any changes you need to make in the way you are living out your choice?

Read Romans 12:2. God's will isn't something that you have to search for, it's something that you're standing in. God says to commit to standing in his presence, commit all of your actions and plans to him and when you do that, you can't miss.

- If you're wrestling with a decision, what comes to mind knowing that by committing your decision to God, you can't go wrong? Have you done this? Why or why not?
- God might not give you what you want, but he'll always give you what you need. Does this encourage or discourage you? In what way?
- Even when you can't see how things are going to work out, are you able to trust God, knowing he is faithful and that he's leading you in the right direction? Why or why not?

REFLECT

What is God saying to you through his word? How and when will you respond?

DAILY BIBLE READING

Need a review of what we're reading in Daily Bible Reading? Here's a glance at how we're being challenged this week (subscribe at tpcc.org/dailybiblereading!).

Day One: Proverbs 16:25 | Trust your instruments.

Day Two: Proverbs 16:9 | God determines our steps.

Day Three: Proverbs 16:3-4 | Commit your actions to the Lord.

Day Four: Romans 12:2 | You don't have to search for God's will.

Day Five: Romans 16:1-9 | Don't fear the nose dive.