

The Path, Presence, and Pleasures of God

I. **Psalm 16** — A Miktam of David

- A. 16:1-2 — David's _____
1. A plea — *"Preserve me, O God..."*
 2. A declaration — *"...for in you I take refuge."*
 3. Based on a personal relationship — *"I say to the LORD, 'You are my Lord...'"*
 4. An acknowledgement of total dependence — *"I have no good apart from you."*
- B. 16:3-4 — David, in relation to other _____, in light of his relationship with God
1. The saints in the land — *"they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight."*
 2. Those who run after another god — *"I do not and will not travel the pathway of idolatry."*
- C. 16:5-6 — David's satisfaction in God's _____
- D. 16:7-8 — David's delight in God's _____
- E. 16:9-10 — David's complete _____ in God
- F. 16:11 — David's _____ of his relationship with God
1. *"You make known to me the path of life."*
 2. *"In your presence there is fullness of joy."*
 3. *"At your right hand are pleasures forevermore."*

II. **Four Practical Takeaways for This Week From Psalm 16:11**

- A. Every path does not lead to _____.
- B. Every tidbit of "joy" cannot be characterized as _____.
- C. Every pleasure will not last _____.
- D. Don't _____ for less than life, full, and forever!

III. **Acts 2:22-36** — The New Testament Connection to **Psalm 16**

- A. *"David says concerning him"* — *Psalm 16:8-11* finds its greatest fulfillment in Jesus of Nazareth.
- B. *"Every spiritual blessing"* (*Eph 1:3*) is available through the *"Lord and Christ, this Jesus"* (*2:36*).
1. The path of God (*Matt 7:13-14*).
 2. The presence of God (*John 14:8-9; 1 John 1:1-4; Matt 6:9; Rom 8:31*).
 3. The pleasures of God (*Heb 12:1-2; Phil 1:18-23; 3:7-11; Matt 25:21*).
- C. *"When they heard this they were cut to the heart... 'What shall we do?'"* (*Acts 2:37-39*).