***Lesson: Life is a Journey...and Only You Hold the Map***

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**From Mike:**

**Happy Groundhog Day!** Personally, I don’t care much about what the famous rodent says, but I do love the movie of the same name. I try to watch it every year on this date, but I missed last year—so, I will definitely watch it today sometime—before or after the Big Game, of course. I love the movie’s lesson about learning what really counts in life. The main character has to relive Groundhog Day over and over until he gets it right. Getting right means learning to be kind, caring for others, and being unselfish about gifts, talents, and life in general. I dearly love the last fifteen minutes of the story when, after hundreds of days of learning and growing, everything he does is a blessing to someone else. And oh, spoiler alert—because of that, he finally “gets the girl” in the end. His journey to gracious living took a long time. You and I, as children of God, are on a similar journey. How is yours going?

Next Sunday, Lord willing, we are going to look at a mystery through the eyes of God. **HeartSight** involves seeing the amazing treasure God gave us and why He did it the way He did it. Don’t you just love a good mystery? God’s mystery was revealed only to us—the followers of His Son, Jesus Christ.

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**YES! IT’S THAT TIME ALREADY!**

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