Sermon Title: Right Now Vision 2022!

Date: January 16, 2022

Theme: God is working...Right Now!

Main Text: Psalm 102

Me: / We:

God:

1. The Urgency

- **a. Proverbs 29:18 (KJV)** Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.
- b. Psalm 102:12-13 12 But you, O LORD, will sit on your throne forever. Your fame will endure to every generation. 13 You will arise and have mercy on Jerusalem— and now is the time to pity her, now is the time you promised to help.
- **c. Psalm 102: 18** Let this be recorded for future generations, so that a people not yet born will praise the LORD.
- d. Isaiah 43:18-19 18"But forget all that— it is nothing compared to what I am going to do.

 19For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry wasteland.
- e. Habakkuk 2:1-3 1 will climb up to my watchtower and stand at my guardpost. There I will wait to see what the LORD says and how he will answer my complaint. 2 Then the LORD said to me, "Write my answer plainly on tablets, so that a runner can carry the correct message to others. 3 This vision is for a future time. It describes the end, and it will be fulfilled. If it seems slow in coming, wait patiently, for it will surely take place. It will not be delayed.

2. The Invitation

a. Isaiah 55:3-9 3"Come to me with your ears wide open. Listen, and you will find life. I will make an everlasting covenant with you. I will give you all the unfailing love I promised to David. 4See how I used him to display my power among the peoples. I made him a leader among the nations. 5You also will command nations you do not know, and peoples unknown to you will come running to obey, because I, the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, have made you glorious." 6Seek the LORD while you can find him. Call on him now while he is near. 7Let the wicked change their ways and banish the very thought of doing wrong. Let them turn to the LORD that he may have mercy on them. Yes, turn to our God, for he will forgive generously. 8"My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts," says the LORD. "And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. 9For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.

3. The Call to Action

a. 2nd Corinthians 6:1-2 <u>1</u>As God's partners, we beg you not to accept this marvelous gift of God's kindness and then ignore it. <u>2</u>For God says, "At just the right time, I heard you. On the day of salvation, I helped you." Indeed, the "right time" is now. Today is the day of salvation.

- b. Proverbs 4:23-27 23 Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life. 24 Avoid all perverse talk; stay away from corrupt speech. 25 Look straight ahead, and fix your eyes on what lies before you. 26 Mark out a straight path for your feet; stay on the safe path. 27 Don't get sidetracked; keep your feet from following evil.
- **c. 2**nd **Chronicles 7:14** Then if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land.

You: So as we have heard from God's Word today, what are you going to do about it?

We: Now let's look ahead into the future to what our lives, our families, and how our communities, and even how our world would be different if each of us....

Reiterate Theme!

You are going to have an opportunity now to respond to God's Word today....