Series: The Gospel According to Ebenezer Scrooge

Sermon: The Ghost of Christmas Present

Primary Text: Isaiah 43:18-19; Psalms 16:11; 118:24; Lamentations 3:40; Matthew 6:34; 7:5; 22:39; Romans 12:2-3; Ephesians 5:16; 1 Corinthians 11:28-29; 2 Corinthians 13:5; Philippians

2:3-4; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; 1 Timothy 4:16

Discussion guide:

- What does it mean to "be present"?
- What do Psalms 118:24, Matthew 6:34, Ephesians 5:16, and Isaiah 43:18-19 each have to say about being present?
- What does it mean to be aware of your present?
- What does it mean to be self-aware?
- What do Romans 12:3, 1 Timothy 4:16, 2 Corinthians 13:5, Lamentations 3:40 each have to say about being self-aware?
- Why do we need to be particularly aware of our effect on others?
- How can we do this?
- What does it mean to be "others"-aware?
- What do Philippians 2:3-4 and Matthew 22:39 each have to say about being "others"-aware?
- Why do we need to be particularly aware of how they suffer?
- How can we do this?
- What does it mean to be "blessings" aware?
- What do 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 and Psalms 16:11 each have to say about being "blessings"-aware?
- Why do we need to be particularly aware of the things we've forgotten are blessings?
- How can we do this?