Amazing Sermon 2 – Pastor Kevin October 16, 2022

SCRIPTURE:

Psalm 139:5-12

⁵ You go before me and follow me.

You place your hand of blessing on my head.

- ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to understand!
- ⁷ I can never escape from your Spirit! I can never get away from your presence!
- ⁸ If I go up to heaven, you are there;
 if I go down to the grave,^[a] you are there.
 ⁹ If I ride the wings of the morning
 - if I dwell by the farthest oceans,
- ¹⁰ even there your hand will guide me, and your strength will support me.
- ¹¹ I could ask the darkness to hide me and the light around me to become night—
- ¹² but even in darkness, I cannot hide from you. To you, the night shines as bright as day. Darkness and light are the same to you.

WARM-UP

• What thoughts, feelings, or impressions do you have about the sermon this week?

(Below you will find the main points of this week's sermon along with discussion questions. Feel free to use, reword, or omit questions depending on the needs of your group and the time needed for prayer, care, and fellowship. Thank you for your leadership.)

Thought #1 – What is prevenient grace...or seeking grace?

<u>Verses:</u> Psalm 139:5-12, Ephesians 2:4-5, Luke 15:20

- Can you think of any examples of how God came to you before you came to him? What early thoughts, conversations, life experiences, or curiosities made you think of God, Jesus, or "something beyond"?
- How did those early experiences shape you?
- In what ways has Jesus brought "new life" to you?

Thought #2 – God goes before us!

Verses: Psalm 139:5-12, , Acts 8:26-40

- According to Acts 8:26-40, how has the Lord already been working in the Ethiopian's life BEFORE he encounters Phillip?
- In what ways did Phillip have to be obedient to the Lord's work in the Ethiopian's life?
- Pastor Kevin shared this quote, "There is no person we meet who has not been affected by prevenient grace." What thoughts are feelings do you have about this? What does this say about the love that God has for everyone?

Thought #3 – Isn't it beautiful that God goes before us, revealing His love for us along the way?

Verses: Psalm 139:5-12, Luke 19:10, John 6:44

- According to Luke 19:10, what was the reason Jesus came to the earth?
- According to John 6:44, what do we learn about prevenient grace?
- Pastor Kevin told the story of how he began to date his wife, Rachel. He said, "I kept putting myself in just the right spots to be noticed." How are you seeing God place his love and care, provision, and blessing in front of our community during this season?

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***Remember to record your attendance for the week. Thank you.

How can we pray for each other this week?

