Sermon Guide



"Jesus, True & Better Presence" November 26, 2023

John 1:12-14

- 1. Greg outlined all the distinctions between how God manifested His presence during the Old Covenant vs. the New Covenant. Think back to the examples he gave, as well as any Greg did not include. What are some of the distinctions that come to mind when comparing God's presence under these two Covenants?
- 2. Greg talked about the Fall, when the first man and woman chose to disobey God. He said, "After Adam and Eve ate of the fruit, God did not hide from them. They hid from God." Do you experience this tendency to hide from God when you sin? If so, what motivates that behavior? And, if not, what helps you draw near to God in those moments?
- 3. Throughout the Old Testament, God consistently warned the people of Israel not to come too close to Him. Then, as we celebrate in Advent, Jesus came near to man. In what ways do you want to intentionally cherish the presence of God throughout this Advent season? Get specific and share with the group.

Prayer Prompt: As we enter Advent, many people do not know the hope that Jesus offers. Think of one or two individuals you know and share their first names with the group. Then, have each person pray for the person whose name they shared.