

SUNDAY GATHERING // 4.25.21

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- New to Seaside? Drop by the connect cart or fill out a connect card online at seasidechurch.com/connectcard
- Baby Dedications // 5.2.21 at the end of the 9a. If you are interested in dedicating your child, please email jon@seasidechurch.com.
- We are planning a Work Party down at the garage 5.1.21 @ 9-noon. This is a great opportunity to get Seaside looking great for the spring.

COLLECT:

O God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the Good Shepherd of your people: Grant that, when we hear his voice, we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

READINGS:

Acts 4:32-37 // Psalm 23:1-6
1 John 3:1-10 // John 10:11-16

RESOURCE LINKS:

- [Why Reformed Evangelicalism Has Splintered: Four Approaches to Race, Politics, and Gender](#)
- [The Splintering of the Evangelical Soul](#)

Psalm 103 (ESV)

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, 3 who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

4 who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, 5 who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

6 The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.

7 He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

8 The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

9 He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.

10 He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

12 as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

A Call to Bless the Lord in Our Moment of Change // Psalm 103

GROUP DISCUSSION:

Pastor Rob mentioned some ways Seaside has changed and some of the challenges facing our church in this season. Discuss this in your group. What do you think has changed? What are some of our upcoming challenges?

Read Psalm 103.

Here are 10 reasons to bless the Lord:

1. He heals diseases.
2. He redeems us from the grave.
3. He crowns us with steadfast love.
4. He satisfies us with what is good.
5. He works justice for the oppressed.
6. He treats us according to his character.
7. He forgives sin.
8. He treats us like his children.
9. He gives his love to future generations.
10. He reigns now and forevermore.

Which of these land on your heart right now? Which "benefit" is the Spirit telling you not to forget?

How can these "benefits" help us through this next season of change and growth as a church?

Take some time to pray for Seaside and one another in this time of change.

Psalm 103 (continued)

13 As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

14 For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

15 As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field;

16 for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more.

17 But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children, 18 to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.

19 The Lord has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.

20 Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!

21 Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!

22 Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!