Sunday Sermon Questions

Title: Rebellious Hearts

February 11, 2018

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***MEMORY VERSES***

*Like the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud on the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness all around. Such was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. And when I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of one speaking.”*

*(Ezekiel 1:28, ESV)*

***FOR FURTHER STUDY(Optional):***

*[Each week our Sermon Questions will include suggestions on other areas of study and application that you might want to pursue.]*

*As long as we test everything by God’s Word, it can be helpful to read what others have written about different biblical topics. Here are three books that deal with the doctrine of God and can be helpful for us as we consider His “glory” and how we can “glorify” Him in our lives.*

***Knowing God*** *by J. I. Packer*

***The Holiness of God*** *by R. C. Sproul*

***None Like Him: 10 Ways God is Different From Us (and Why That’s a Good Thing)*** *by Jen Wilkin*

***The Existence and Attributes of God*** *by Stephen Charnock – This is an older classic on the topic (1682), but remains one of the best works available. (Can be tough reading at times, but worth it)*

***Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 1-3***

1. How much do you think of God being present with you during your daily activities? What difference does it make in how you live?
2. What stands out to you the most from this week’s sermon? Why?
3. Read through Ezekiel 1. What do you think this vision is all about? How does Ezekiel 1:28 help to clarify the meaning of this vision?

What does Ezekiel’s reaction (in 1:28 and the rest of the book) say about how we should respond to God’s glorious presence in our lives? (also Daniel 10:9; Revelation 1:17)

1. Read Ezekiel 2-3. What do you learn about Ezekiel’s ministry from these chapters? Why is it necessary for Ezekiel to deliver such a strong and devastating message to the people?

How do you think Ezekiel’s vision of God’s glory prepares him for this calling?

1. In Ezekiel 8-11 we read of the departure of God’s glorious presence because the sins of the people. What does this tell us about God’s attitude toward sin?

In chapters 33-48, we see God’s promise of a different future where God’s glorious presence is restored to his people. This promise is ultimately fulfilled in Jesus Christ (John 1:14). How does the message of Ezekiel help you to worship God for the new life and hope that we have in Christ (the gospel)?

1. How can we learn to live with a moment-by-moment awareness and appreciation of God’s glorious presence?