SUMMER PSALTER REV. JEFF DILLARD NEPC SERMON SERIES SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2024

Sermon Title: "How Do We Get There from Here?" (#6 in the Sermon Series)

Scripture text: Psalm 51



Outline:

Main point: God calls sinners to celebrate his salvation. How?

- 1. Confess our deserved separation from God
- 2. Testify of our undeserved salvation in Christ

Questions:

- 1. David described his sinfulness in three ways: transgression (rebellion), iniquity (often used to describe our sinful nature), and sin (falling short) How and what does each reality of your sin convict you to confess to Jesus?
- 2. David knew his sins deserved death. In what ways could you explain your deserved eternal separation from God to an unbeliever who knows nothing about the Bible?
- 3. Describe a time when something important was required of you but someone else freely provided it. How did that impact your spirit toward them?
- 4. Even though the first 5 verses rightfully focus on sin and deserved death, 3x more of the Psalm focus on God's goodness. What are some practical ways in which that emphasis should move a repentant heart to praise the Lord?
- 5. Verses 7-12 imply God's willingness and ability to forgive repentant sinners and renew their heart. Re-read Psalm 110's prophecy about God's Messiah as King and Priest. In what practical ways should that psalm of David delight the repentant sinner in the Lord Jesus?
- 6. Verses 13-19 describe forgiven sinners with renewed hearts giving their best to God, particularly teaching others about his ways. What are some basic and nuanced aspects of God's forgiveness and renewal that others have taught you? ...that you have taught others?