Heart to Heart- Going deep within.

Sermon Notes August 9, 2020

Song Medley with reading of Psalm 139

*Illustration:

"Don't move a thing...or I will not know where to find it again."

"I don't do doctors; they just give me bad news."

"What I don't know, won't kill me."

What is the truth behind each statement?

EVERYTHING about you is known by God. Psalm 139:1-6

- He is omniscient and has searched you completely. (1)
 - He knows every action including your daily itinerary. (2a, 3a)
 - He knows your thoughts before you think them. (2b)
 - He knows your habits and the manner by which you do things. (3b)
 - He knows your words before you have even spoken them. (4)
 - We are under his watchful care before and after each moment of our lives. (5)
- This is beyond our comprehension.

Ultimate power is an all present God who knows all even outside of time. Psalm 139:7-12

- We cannot hide from him. (7)
 - o I could try to travel the galaxy, but I cannot escape his presence. (8a)
 - You can try to dig a hole, but that won't go deep enough. (8b)
 - "in the depths" Sheol- center of the earth
 - The furthest horizon could not escape your authoritative direction that is secure. (9-10)
 - "hold fast" stay the course, secure yourself to stay
 - The darkest cave cannot quench the light of God's eyes. (11-12)
- He is the substance of all that could be considered as a shield from his presence.

The designer/creator is the master technician of the created. Psalm 139:13-16

- God is the source of your design and existence. (13)
 - Made with incredible skill—intentional "fearfully" and with awe of purpose "wonderfully".
 (14)
 - Made with more than just the dust of the earth, but spirit. (15)
- The story of my life was already known and written. (16)

Response to his inescapable presence and knowledge. Psalm 139:17-24

- 1. Admiration and praise to God. Matthew Henry (17)
- 2. A holy detestation to sin and those who defy God in outright rebellion. MH (19-22)
- 3. A holy satisfaction in personal integrity. (23-24)
 - The invitation to be searched.

My plea in a time such as this...

- Things will not get fixed by fixating on those who don't give a flip about Jesus.
- Things will only change if the church is fully surrendered and in love with Jesus.
- Surrender and love for Jesus happens when each person bends the knee in humility and asks God to do a deep clean of their soul.
- Then and only then can we with clarity of heart and mind with the motive of love for Jesus effectively discern well, pray well, live well and speak well into a society that needs Jesus.
- Revival is beginning when we have humbled ourselves and pray as the people of God.
- Harvest happens when the people of God as a church on fire become the light of the world and people come to the light of Jesus.

INVITATION TO PRAY... "Search me God..."

Discussion Guide:

- 1. In considering God's omniscience written in Psalm 139:1-6 how does it make you feel that God is that aware of you? What makes you uncomfortable and what makes it good that He is that aware?
- 2. In Psalm 139:7-12 God's omnipresence is revealed. What are the mysteries to God's presence that makes it difficult for you as a human being to understand or explain?
- 3. In light of Psalm 139:23-24 and 2 Chronicles 7:14, what are the hopeful outcomes from a true personal pursuit of God that petitions him to do a deep work in your soul? How could your personal revival lead to harvest of other souls?