MID-ATLANTIC GOSPEL CAMP WHERE ARE YOU?

Message One-Zoom Meeting

Where are You?—Hiding from God

Genesis 3:9 And Jehovah God called to the man and said to him, Where are you?

I. God made us for Himself:

- A. We were made in the image of God according to His likeness after God's kind.
- B. We were made to take God in to be our life by eating Him as the tree of life.

Isaiah 43:21 This people I have formed for Myself; / They will show forth My praise.

Genesis 1:26-27 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth. ²⁷ And God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

Genesis 2:9 And out of the ground Jehovah God caused to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, as well as the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

II. We became fallen and hid ourselves from God:

- A. Satan came to lie to us telling us that we don't need God.
- B. We disobeyed God and ate Satan's substitute, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
- C. When God came, we were afraid and hid from Him.
- D. God came not to condemn man, but to announce the gospel to man and to save him.

Genesis 3:4-6 And the serpent said to the woman, You shall not surely die! ⁵ For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will become like God, knowing good and evil. ⁶ And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes, and *that* the tree was to be desired to make *oneself* wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave *some* to her husband with her, and he ate.

Genesis 3:8-10 And they heard the sound of Jehovah God walking about in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of Jehovah God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ And Jehovah God called to the man, and said to him, Where are you? ¹⁰ And he said, I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid because I am naked; so I hid myself.

John 3:17 For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.

III. But no one can hide from God:

- A. Every covered thing will be revealed.
- B. Every hidden thing will be known.
- C. God knows all our foolishness and our sins.

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Luke 12:2-3 But there is nothing covered up which will not be revealed, and hidden which will not be known. ³ Therefore what you have said in the darkness will be heard in the light, and what you have spoken in the ear in the private rooms will be proclaimed on the housetops.

Revelation 6:15-16 And the kings of the earth and the great men and the generals and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains; ¹⁶ And they say to the mountains and to the rocks, Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits upon the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb.

John 3:19 And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the light, for their works were evil.

Psalm 69:5 O God, You know my foolishness, / And my sins of guilt are not hidden from You.

IV. God is coming to seek each one of us through this Gospel camp; He wants us to seek Him:

- A. Don't hide like Adam and Eve when God calls you.
- B. We have to be like the Psalmist who is seeking God.

Luke 19:10 For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which is lost.

Luke 15:4-5 Which man of you, who has a hundred sheep and has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds *it*, he lays *it* on his shoulders, rejoicing.

Psalm 27:8 When You say, Seek My face, / To You my heart says, Your face, O Jehovah, will I seek.

V. We can all seek and find the Lord by calling on Him while He is near.

Isaiah 55:6 Seek Jehovah while He may be found; / Call upon Him while He is near.