

SUMMARY:

Our sermon series, *Feast*, takes place during the season of Lent, which is a 40-day period of time in which we prepare our hearts for Easter. It's a time of self-examination, reflection, and repentance so that we can follow Jesus at a deeper level.

This week's sermon focuses us on Christ's Presence. Pastor Paul helped us to see that feasting on His presence changes the way we see things. It changes the way we see God. It changes the way we see ourselves. It changes the way we see others. Once again, we are being reminded to live an Upward, Inward, and Outward life.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Pastor Paul began with the story of Mary and Marth, the sisters Jesus visited who spent their time in very different ways during His visit (Luke 10:38-42). If Jesus came to visit with your family or friend group, how would everyone spend their time during His visit? How would you spend your time?

Read John 14:8-10

- What is Philip asking Jesus to do?
- How does Jesus respond?
- How can Jesus make such a bold claim?
- What does Jesus' life and mission tell us about the Father?

Read Psalm 16:11 and 63:1-3

- These verses are full of lavish descriptions of what happens when we gaze upon the LORD. How is it described?
- What response does verse 63:3 tell us overflows from feasting on the presence of Christ?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:17

- How does feasting on His Presence change how we see ourselves?
- What does "old" and "new" mean in this context?
- When is it hardest for you to believe that the "old" has passed away?

• What helps you believe that the "new" has come?

Read Matthew 5:43-48

- Who are some of the hard people for you to love?
- What is Jesus saying we should do for our enemies?
- What is the reason for this loving kindness toward others? (see 5:45a)
- How can you be more like your heavenly dad this week?

End your time praying for your enemies and seeking the presence of Jesus.

Soul Tattoo: Feast on His presence!