



Discussion Questions • Abbotsford

Title of Sermon: Godly Motivations

Passage: Joel 2:12-17 NIV

Intro -

1. What are some of God's character traits?
 - a. Which of God's character traits do you find the most appealing?
 - b. How does God express these character traits?

Sermon Points -

1. Our Motivation for Repenting
 - a. What aspect of God's character gives you assurance that your repentance will be met with reconciliation? (see Jonah 4, Romans 10)
 - i. What prevents people from being repentant?
2. God's Motivation for Relenting
 - a. Read the following verses: Psalm 23:1-3, 79:9; Isaiah 48:9-11; Exodus 4:14, 9:16; John 12:27-28; 1 Corinthians 10:31
 - i. According to these passages, what kind of things is God willing to do for his name, or for His Glory?
 - b. What are some contemporary issues or situations where Christians could act differently, based on their convictions, but would act in a way that glorifies God?
 - c. How do we as a church do ministry in such a way that it puts the focus on God's glory, and not on our own glory?
 - i. What are some characteristics of Christian ministry that keep the focus on the church or church leader, rather than the glory of God?

Wrap Up and Prayer

Pray for each other along with other requests.

Benediction - Jude 1:24-25 NIV

"To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy— to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen."