**QUESTIONS GOD ASKS…WHERE ARE YOU?**

**Genesis 3:1-13**

**THE BIG IDEA:**

In this sermon series, we will be looking at the questions that God asked various people in the past. Today, we find ourselves in the garden of Eden where the LORD God is calling to Adam and Eve, “Where are you?”. In what ways does this question probe them and us?

**OPENING:**

Read the passage slowly and aloud. What stands out to you in it? Have you ever had a loved one lost that you went looking for? Can you tell everyone about that?

**DIGGING DEEPER:**

Talk about the lies, half-truths, and seductions that the Serpent brings to Eve. In what ways do people fall for the same things today? What do you think was the greatest evil they did?

Why do you think God calls out, “Where are you?” when He knows the answer? God went to them when He knew they had sinned, what does that say about the heart of God?

Read Genesis 3:14-20. Talk about the layers of God’s question and how their situation has changed. Where are you…in relation to Me…to the future I offered you…to one another…to yourself…to the earth?

What feelings/emotions are now driving (controlling) their decisions, words and actions? What character flaws have now appeared in them? What grace does God offer to them?

**PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE:**

Where are you? Are you pursuing God? Walking with Him? Or hiding from Him?

How are your relationships? Are they disconnected? Are you blaming others? Does shame or fear have much influence on your words, actions, self-worth, or enjoyment of life?

Bring these concerns in prayer to the Lord. You may want to make time with a pastor or spiritual counselor to experience God’s grace regarding them.

**PRAY:**