SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of October 29, 2023

Sermon Text Job 1:1-5
[1] There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job, and that man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. [2] There were born to him seven sons and three daughters. [3] He possessed 7,000 sheep, 3,000 camels, 500 yoke of oxen, and 500 female donkeys, and very many servants, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the east. [4] His sons used to go and hold a feast in the house of each one on his day, and they would send and invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. [5] And when the days of the feast had run their course, Job would send and consecrate them, and he would rise early in the morning and offer burnt offerings according to the number of them all. For Job said, "It may be that my children have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts." Thus Job did continually.

If you were not able to listen to this week's sermon, then please refer to this link to listen prior to answering these questions, http://hawaiikaichurch.org/sermons/page/1.

Discussion Questions

1. What does it mean to fear the Lord? How does a "fear of the Lord" result in a person being blameless, upright and one who turns away from evil?

2. What is repentance and how does a fear of the Lord lead a person towards repentance? How do you know whether a person is truly repentant?

3. How was Job's vast wealth and prosperity a test to his fear of the Lord? On a scale of 1-10, based on how you currently prioritize your time, energy, and resources, how would you rate your own "fear of the Lord"? Explain your answer. Why might this be a relevant question for you to think about?

4. How should the fear of the Lord impact the way we raise our children and/or care for our family members and friends? Why do you think we often prioritize earthly things over the human soul?

5. Did Jesus Christ, God incarnate, have a fear of the Lord? Explain. Why should it be easier for a Christian today to live as "God fearers"? If that's the case, then why don't we?