Sermon Discussion Questions: "A Traveler's Psalm" (Psalm 121) February 23rd, 2020

- 1. What in the sermon encouraged you, comforted you, challenged you, or informed you?
- 2. Why do we feel so afraid when things are out of our control? What dangers tend to fill your heart with fear?
- 3. Read Psalm 121:1-2. How does God's role Covenant LORD and Creator assure us that He is able and willing to help His people?
- 4. What are the various ways God keeps us in this verse? Which most assures you now in your present circumstances of life?
- 5. Pastor David reminded us that even though God keeps us in life's journey, it doesn't mean that it won't be challenging. Even so, the LORD will hold us together in the middle of the challenge. Read the words to the hymn *Be Gone, Unbelief* below. What does John Newton encourage us to remember as we travel along the hard road of discipleship?

Be gone, unbelief; my Savior is near, and for my relief will surely appear; by prayer let me wrestle, and he will perform; with Christ in the vessel, I smile at the storm.

Though dark be my way, since he is my guide, 'tis mine to obey, 'tis his to provide; though cisterns be broken and creatures all fail, the word he has spoken shall surely prevail.

Why should I complain of want or distress, temptation or pain? He told me no less; the heirs of salvation, I know from his word, through much tribulation must follow their Lord.

Since all that I meet shall work for my good, the bitter is sweet, the med'cine is food; though painful at present, 'twill cease before long; and then, O how pleasant the conqueror's song

- 6. Pray Psalm 121 together as a group letting the structure and phrases guide you along in prayer. Also consider reading these Psalms to prepare for next week:
 - 2/23 Psalm 121
 - 2/24 Psalm 20
 - 2/25 Psalm 21
 - 2/26 Psalm 90
 - 2/27 Psalm 10
 - 2/28 Psalm 14