## <u>Sermon Notes – 11.23.2025 – Jesus – Is Everywhere Present</u>

## Jesus - Wo is and Who was and Who is to come

"<u>I am the Alpha and the Omega</u>," says the Lord God, <u>"who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."</u> Revelation 1:8

<u>Jesus Christ Was – From All Eternity</u>

Colossians 1:15-17 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. 17 He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

**Jesus Is – Immanent: Everywhere Present:** God In his greatness/ transcendence is everywhere we are = This is immanence Remember, **God isn't Trying – He is Just God!** 

• He could have used His Greatness to be aloof from us.

King David Was a Prophet Who Told Us About the Savior

Psalm 23 (The Lord is My Shepherd), Psalm 22 (The Suffering Savior), Psalm 24 (The King of Glory)

King David also Understood that God Is Everywhere Present With Us

Psalm 139:1-18, 23-24 For the choir director. A Psalm of David. O LORD, You have searched me and known me. 2 You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You understand my thought from afar. 3 You scrutinize my path and my lying down, And are intimately acquainted with all my ways. 4 Even before there is a word on my tongue, Behold, O LORD, You know it all. 5 You have enclosed me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is too high, I cannot attain to it. 7 Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? 8 If I ascend to heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there. 9 If I take the wings of the dawn, If I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, 10 Even there Your hand will lead me, And Your right hand will lay hold of me. 11 If I say, "Surely the darkness will overwhelm me, And the light around me will be night," 12 Even the darkness is not dark to You, And the night is as bright as the day. Darkness and light are alike to You.13 For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb. 14 | will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well. 15 My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth; 16 Your eyes have seen my unformed substance; And in Your book were all written The days that were ordained for me, When as yet there was not one of them. 17 How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How vast is the sum of them! 18 If I should count them, they would outnumber the sand. When I awake, I am still with You...23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me and know my anxious thoughts; 24 And see if there be any hurtful way in me, And lead me in the everlasting way.

## <u>Jesus Christ Is Our Savior – He is Leading Us in the Way That Is Everlasting</u>

John 3:16-17 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. 17 "For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.

<u>He Is everywhere present Now and Forever</u> - Always there, always accessible, sometimes feels far away but <u>Jesus is with us</u> -:

Matthew 28:20b "... and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

John 14:16-18 "I will ask the Father, and <u>He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you</u> forever; 17 that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because <u>He abides with you and will be in you</u>. 18 "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

• The Ministry of the Holy Spirit – With Us Forever, Dwelling in Us, We Are Not Orphans

## Presence –

Not always comfortable, but needful, important, cleansing - The Holy Spirit Reveals the secrets of our Heart to Us

1 Corinthians 14:24-25 But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or an ungifted man enters, he is convicted by all, he is called to account by all; 25 the secrets of his heart are disclosed; and so he will fall on his face and worship God, declaring that God is certainly among you.

<u>Those Who Follow Jesus are Never Away from the Presence of God - We can have more or less sensibility of God's immanent presence...What affects this?</u>

It is Good to Desire the Presence of the Lord

Cain – Went Out

Genesis 4:16 Then Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and settled in the land of Nod,

<u>David – Cried Out</u>

"Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me. 11 Do not cast me away from Your presence And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me." Psalms 51:10-11

"The presence of God is not merely a theological concept but a profound reality that shapes the believer's life, worship, and spiritual journey." [biblehub.com] - With Us Everywhere We Go.

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. James 4:8

"He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever:" John 14:16