1 Corinthians 15:20-28 (February 5, 2023)

OPENING QUESTION:

SERMON DISCUSSION: How were you impacted by the sermon? What new thoughts or lessons did you discover? In what ways did you find yourself challenged and/or encouraged?

BIBLE PASSAGE STUDY QUESTIONS: READ 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

1. **NOTE:** "The term "firstfruits" (GK, *aparche*) refers to a first sample of an agricultural crop that indicates the nature and quality of the rest of the crop; therefore, Christ's resurrection body gives a foretaste of what those of believers will be like." (ESV Crossway Study Bible reference note for 1 Corinthians 15:20)

What is revealed about "firstfruits" from the following scriptures:

Numbers 18:8, 12-13

Proverbs 3:9-10

Romans 8:22-23

1 Corinthians 15:20

James 1:17-18

2. Read Romans 5:12, 14-15, 17-18 and 1 Corinthians 15:22.

What is true because of our identity with Adam?

What is accomplished because of our identity with Christ?

3. Discuss from 1 Corinthians 15:24-26 what Christ will do when He returns. What is the last enemy to be destroyed?
How does this passage give you encouragement which impacts your life today?
4. 1 Corinthians 15:27-28 highlights the Son's relationship with God. How do the following passages show that the Son is essentially equal to the Father and functionally subordinate?
1 Corinthians 15:27-28
John 10:30, 14:9
Mark 14:36
John 5:19, 26-27, 30; 17:4