

Introduction

- Regret can be permanent.
- Good question: How do I go from where I am to where God wants me?

******Main Point – Trust God with the Process******

Point #1 – God CALLS (Worship).

- **God reveals himself in the middle of our distress.**
- Isaiah was a bright star in a noble profession – but he still needed to be “straightened out” for the task God appointed for him.

Point #2 – I CONFESS (Repentance).

- Only by seeing God as He is can we ourselves as we are.

Point #3 – God CONSECRATES (Forgiveness).

- “Burning coal” taken from “the altar – implies a sacrifice is involved.

Point #4 – We COMMUNE (Fellowship).

- God Communes with us!
- He provides His Word. Communion is often shared over a meal.
- “Through forgiveness God takes his place in us and we take our place in him.”

Point #5 – God COMMISSIONS (Mission).

- Jesus said follow me
- He also said “Go.” - God straightens us out for a purpose beyond ourselves.

More Application – Explain the Process to Yourself

- The Purpose of the sermon is to explain to yourself the 5 elements of the God-Straighten-Me-Out-Process: 1. Calling 2. Confession. 3. Consecration. 4. Communion. 5. Commission.
- The rhythm of our church worship is supposed to mimic the process so that we know how to relate to God every other day of the week and throughout the SEASONS of life.

Conclusion

- Raise Him Up
- Come to the Table