



12/04/2022 "Purpose"

1. What stood out to you from this week's message? Why?
2. In what ways do preparation and purpose go together?
3. How does knowing your purpose impact your preparation?
4. Read Mark 1:1-5. What was involved with the preparation that John the Baptist proclaimed?
5. The phrase "prepare the way for the Lord" is quoted from Isaiah 40:1-11. What do you think this phrase means?
6. Isaiah 40 is spoken to the community of Israel who were exiled in the land of Babylon, seemingly removed from the promises and presence of God. How does this passage and Mark's passage communicate hope and restoration?
7. Two facets of spiritual preparation are repentance and confession. How would you define these two terms?
8. How do repentance and confession restore relationships? Why are they important?
9. Pastor John stated, "until you confess who you are you won't become who are." What did he mean by that? (Consider 1 John 1:8-10)
10. What challenged you from this message and these passages? Why?
11. How do you feel challenged to respond to this message?