

BELPRES  CHURCH

**Sermon Title: Let Me Introduce Myself**

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**Scripture:**

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Psalm 19:1-4, 7-8, 10-11

*For the director of music. A psalm of David.*

<sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God;  
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

<sup>2</sup> Day after day they pour forth speech;  
night after night they reveal knowledge.

<sup>3</sup> They have no speech, they use no words;  
no sound is heard from them.

<sup>4</sup> Yet their voice[b] goes out into all the earth,  
their words to the ends of the world.

In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.

<sup>7</sup> The law of the Lord is perfect,  
refreshing the soul.

The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy,  
making wise the simple.

<sup>8</sup> The precepts of the Lord are right,  
giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the Lord are radiant,  
giving light to the eyes.

<sup>10</sup> They are more precious than gold,  
than much pure gold;

they are sweeter than honey,

than honey from the honeycomb.

<sup>11</sup> By them your servant is warned;  
in keeping them there is great reward.

Luke 15:3-7

<sup>3</sup> Then Jesus told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders <sup>6</sup> and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' <sup>7</sup> I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

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**Discussion Questions:**

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*Read this week's scripture(s) & answer the below questions with your friends, family, or All In small group.*

**Suggested Icebreaker Question:**

- What is your favorite season?

**Opening Question:**

- Looking back, were you able to apply any of the things we talked about last time to your life this week? What did you do? How did it go?

**Scripture Reflection Questions** – Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:

- What do we learn about God (e.g., traits, personality, what matters, priorities) in this passage?
- What do we learn about people, and ourselves in particular, this week?

**Sermon Reflection Questions** - *Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:*

- In his sermon, Scott uses a "build a bear" / "build a God" analogy to describe how we sometimes create a God that suits us and our desires, rather than look and listen for him to reveal who he really is to us. Reflecting on your own life, is there an example of a time when God revealed himself to you, shattering your own "build a God" creation?
- God pursues us and wants to know us. How might we be on the lookout for God's revealing of himself to us this week?

**Closing Question and Application:**

- Given what we've discussed together today, how might God want you apply these learnings to your life or in the life of your community this next week? Who might you share this with?

**Closing Group Prayer:**

- Spend a few minutes together in your group sharing prayer requests and then praying together for each other. Thank God for the time together, the conversation shared, the other people in the group, and for encouragement in the week ahead.