

SERMON OUTLINE FOR FEBRUARY 8, 2015

"We All Need a Quiet Place"

Mark 1:35-39

INTRODUCTION:

My own 'quiet places' – a hillside, a trail, a bench, a beach...

I. THE BIBLE TALKS ABOUT QUIET PLACES

- A. These are places one goes to make big decisions
- B. Jesus went to a quiet place to make big decision (Mark 1:35-37)
- C. His decision was between "the kingdom of self" and the kingdom of God
- D. He chose God's kingdom (Mark 1:38; Luke 19:10)

II. WHEN WE FOLLOW JESUS, THERE WILL BE **QUIET PLACES** FOR US

- A. In our various quiet places we will have to choose between "the kingdom of self" and the kingdom of God
- B. Sometimes our quiet places are places of upset & turbulence
- C. Sometimes our quiet places are quieter
- D. But in any quiet place we will have to decide: My way or God's way?
- E. Did you know every Sunday sermon is your own quiet place of decision?!

CONCLUSION:

Is every Sunday's 20 minute sermon **God's quiet place for you...** or is it — "just preaching"???