SERMON OUTLINE -- FEBRUARY 23, 2020

YOU RAISE ME UP

(Isaiah 40:29-31)

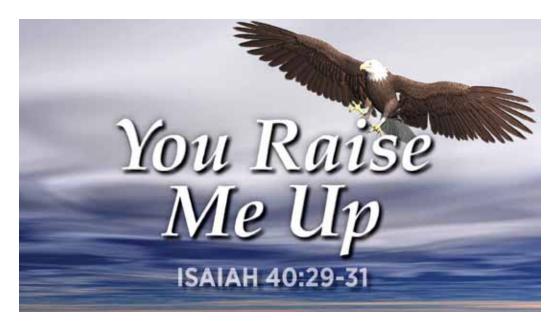
God gives power to the weak, and to those who have no might He increases strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young mean shall utterly fall, but those who wait on the LORD shall renew their strength: <u>they shall</u> <u>mount up with wings like eagles</u>, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

I. GOD KNOWS WE ARE WEARY

- A. You've been weary, haven't you?
- B. The people of Israel were weary
- C. God strengthens the weary (Isaiah 40:31)

II. GOD RAISES US UP ... ON EAGLES' WINGS

- A. Eagles are symbols of strength
- B. Three truths about eagles apply to us
 - 1. They are taught how to fly (Exodus 19:4; Deuteronomy 32:11)
 - 2. They fly 'resting on the air currents' (Matthew 11:28)
 - 3. They die 'clinging to the rock' (Isaiah 25:8)



YOU RAISE ME UP (Josh Groban):

When I am down and, oh my soul so weary; When troubles come and my heart burdened be; Then, I am still and wait in the silence, Until you come and sit a while with me.

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains; You raise me up, to walk on stormy seas; I am strong, when I am on your shoulders; You raise me up to more than I can be.

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