Going Deeper Questions 11/019/23 "Not Yet...But Soon"

Main Point: God the Father is always working to bring us from a place of "not yet" to "now is".

- 1. *Read John 7:30-39.* What's the condition of your "river" this week? Is it overflowing, maintaining, running low or dried up? What is one way you can replenish those waters this week?
- 2. *Romans 5:5-21.* With regards to our personal salvation, "not yet" has become "now is". We do not have to live one more second apart from His <u>forgiveness</u>! If you have not yet asked Jesus to be your Lord and Savior, what is stopping you? If you have made that decision, reflect on the events that led up to the moment of salvation, and that specific moment. Share your story with someone this week.
- 3. *Read Romans 8:5-15.* With regards to the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, "not yet" has become "now is". We do not have to live one more second apart from His power! If you have not yet been baptized, what is stopping you? If you have been baptized, reflect on how your life has been transformed by having His power at work within you. Share your story with someone this week.
- **4. Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-58.** With regards to receiving a glorified body, Jesus was the first to transform from a "not yet" to a "now is". For the rest of us, we wait for an event that is "not yet", "but soon". In what ways do you need the Holy Spirit to "give life to your mortal body", even as you "eagerly groan" for the final transformation? Talk to the Lord about it, and invite His grace and peace and healing into that area!
- 5. Read Revelation 1:7. Jesus is coming again! Not yet, but soon. If He were to show up today, would you be ready? Would you have any regrets?

Resolve to live each day like it will be your last, but plan to be here for another 40 years. (Loosely quoted from Pastor Rick Collins)

How will this mindset direct your life this week?