

# Stretching the Sermon April 25, 2021

The following are intended to help the reader reflect back on the previous Sunday's sermon and offers an opportunity to dig deeper into ideas, concepts and reactions that will stretch what you have already gained from the sermon.

How you proceed, or if you proceed, is up to you. You may find that writing out answers suits you best. There is also the option of simply responding without writing. Another option is to go through this with a spouse or friend. You need not worry, as you will not be graded on your responses. My hope and prayer is that you will find it useful.

Please keep in mind that the sermons can be accessed on the church site.

This time around, I thought I would try something a bit different. The teacher of forty-seven years in ten countries on four continents has come to the fore. As a result, You are going to be put on the spot and given a test. You will be able to grade yourself, and your results need not be known by anyone else.

1. What song did Pastor Bob use to introduce Sunday's sermon?
- 2.. For spiritual emergencies, what does Pastor Bob recommend as the first "dial up" step of action?
- 3.What would the next step be?
4. Whether praying it, saying it or reading it, which Psalm is suggested as the first scripture to go to?
5. What does the prophet Isaiah claim that all God's sheep have done at some point?
6. List three things that the shepherd does for his sheep (more if you remember).
  - a. d.
  - b. e.
  - c.
7. In this Psalm of David, why does he state "I shall not want"?
8. What definition of faith does the writer of Hebrews give?
9. What pronoun change does David make in the middle of the Psalm, and what is the significance of the change?
10. What information are we given about sheep during the sermon at this point?

The answers can be found below. Feel free to disagree with or challenge them.

Answers:

1. Emergency
2. prayer
3. scripture
4. 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm
5. gone astray
6. feed, provide rest, lead through dangerous places, lead them back home
7. Because the Lord is his Shepherd
8. the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction (evidence) of things not seen
9. changes to “you”
10. clumsy, stumble a lot