Sermon: Exhort One Another. **Scripture:** Hebrews 3:12-15.

Series: One Another. Date: August 7, 2022

OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1. What does this passage teach us about God?

a) What warning is God giving us in this passage? How seriously do you take this warning?

2. What does this passage teach us about us?

- a) Have you ever felt like you lost your faith in Christ? Or...have you known someone who fell away from the faith?
- b) Read Hebrews 2:1. Is there any danger of you "drifting away" from God?

3. What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

- a) How would you explain that salvation is both God's preserving grace and our persevering faith?
- b) Read Hebrews 3:1. "Consider Jesus." Why is it so important to the assurance of our faith that we continue to consider Christ and his work on the cross? What "religious" things have distracted you from focusing on the cross of Christ?

APPLICATION

- a) To exhort one another is to "come along side." Who has come along side you over the years of your Christian walk? Who have you come alongside? Who have you been able to exhort and encourage in the faith?
- b) How can this small group exhort one another and prevent the "deceitfulness of sin?"
- c) Read Heb. 4:11-16. To stay in the faith, we must stay in the word and stay before the throne of grace. How can you practice these two things moving forward?

FIGHTER VERSES: 1 John 4:7-12.

PRAYER

- Thank God for his preserving grace in your salvation.
- Confess ways that you have drifted from trust in God.
- Thank Jesus for never hardening his heart in the wilderness.
- Ask God to help you to exhort one another in the faith.