



Sermon Series: Named By God

A New Name

Isaiah 62:1-5

Sermon Outline

- I. Why do we need a new name? (v 1-3)
- II. What is the meaning of the new name? (v 4)
- III. How do we live into the new name? (v 5)

Pre-Sermon Questions

1. Do you know what your given name means? What your family name means?
2. Do those names affect how you think about yourself at all?

Reflection Questions

1. Why are our names (given ones or “assumed” ones) so powerful? How are we shaped by the identities we believe are true of us?
2. Jeff emphasized the corporate or group nature of the name in Is 62. Why is it important to start with the WE here, before we go the ME implications?
3. What was true of us in the past, from this passage? What other biblical or personal realities have been negative identities for you?
4. What is true if you are described by God as “my delight is in her” or “married”? how could these identities change you?
5. Pick one biblical identity marker (Child of God, Loved By God, Fully Forgiven, Delighted in by God, Saint instead of Sinner, God’s friend, God’s workmanship) to meditate on and ask the following questions: What does this identity mean? Why don’t I believe it is true of me? What sin or situations diffuse and destroy my attempts to live into this identity? What kind of renovation, reformation or revolution could happen in me if I lived into and out of this identity more today?