West Olive Church of Christ – 11/08/2026

MORNING MESSAGE: ***"Where Are You?"***
TEXT: **Genesis 3-6**

MESSAGE INTRO: From the early chapters of the Bible, we see three basic ways a person can relate to God:

- We can _____ from God—**Gen 3:8**
  That is, move _____ from Him.
- We can _____ God—**Gen 4:26**
  That is, move _____ Him.
- We can _____ with God—**Gen 5:22-24; 6:8-9**
  That is, move _____ Him.

1. God's first question to the first man: *"Where are you?"*
   a) Sin's impact: Gen 3:6-8
      - *Adam & Eve _____ face God!*
        (Isa 6:1-5; Luke 4:8; John 3:19-21)
      - *And, God _____ have a face-to-face relation-ship with them! (Ps 11:7; 5:4; 34:15-16; Isa 59:1-2)*

   b) Naturally, hiding from God is _____ …
      (Psalm 139.7-12; Heb 4.13; Jer 23.24; Eccl 12.14)
      - *And, _____!* (Gen 2:16-17; Rom 3:23; 6:23; Eph 2:1-3; Rev 6:15-17)

2. We're actually hiding from God when we ...
   a) make _____ (Gen 3:8-11)
   b) _____ others for our failings (Gen 3:12-13)
   c) withhold our _____ and _____
      (Gen 4:3-5; Mal 1:6-14; 3:7-12; Prov 3:9-10)

   d) run away from _____! (Jonah 1:1-3)

3. Then came Jesus …
   a) To _____ those in hiding! (Luke 19:10)
   b) to surrender to _____ (Mat 26:38-42),
      - *then to _____! (John 10:17-18; 18:1-8)*

   c) to _____ our sins, our guilt, our shame, so we could _____ His righteousness! (1 Pet 2:24; 2 Cor 5:21; Isa 61:10)
   d) to bring those _____ in sin, _____ to God! (1 Pet 3:18; 2:25; Isa 53:4-6; Heb 2:10)

MESSAGE APPEAL: So, WHERE ARE <u>YOU</u> this morning?

- If you're hiding from God, COME _____!
- If you're seeking God, COME _____!
- If you're walking with God, COME _____!