## Reset-40

January 3, 2021 Pastor Dale Benson *Matthew 4:1-11* 

Are you ready for a restart?

You aren't ready for a restart until you have done the work of the reset.

RESTARTS don't change things unless the RESET has changed things

## PREPARATION - 40 day temptation

## Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus wasn't ready to start his public ministry until he had done the work of preparation for that ministry. That did not simply include his upbringing and education. It took prayer and fasting, and preparation to meet the foe that was to come against him.

2020 was a tough year. 2021 is not going to be any different. But YOU can be.

## PSALM 40

The book of Hebrews alludes to this Psalm as a Messianic prophecy. The author of Hebrews points to Jesus' purposeful obedience to the will of the God as something that makes him worthy to be our high priest. We also know that the author to Hebrews points to Jesus being tempted in every way as we are, yet without sinning and giving into temptation.

I know that Jesus knows the way out of the miry clay – because he has made his way out of the miry clay.

Christ is inviting us to follow him. . . It is a way of obedience. . .

It is a way of sacrifice. . .

It is a way of joy. . .

It is a path that we can follow because He has already done it. . .

How long will we need to sing this song? As long as it takes.

Until the world has heard of the goodness of God.

Until we begin to walk in obedience.

Until we begin to remember what God has done.

Until we remember what God has promised.

Until we see what God is doing.

Until all the world has seen and heard and everyone has had the opportunity to come to repentance.

Christ is ready to bring your reset. . .

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Are you prepared?
Are you ready to prepare?
Preparation can begin today.