Blowin’ In the Wind
Finding God on Your iPod
Pastor Brian Zahnd - Sunday, July 28, 2013

SERMON STUDY QUESTIONS

Welcome
1) When was the first time you heard Bob Dylan? Childhood? Teenage years? After you became an adult? Sunday morning in church? What was the first Dylan song you heard?
2) If you could ask God one question, what would it be?

Word
Read Amos 5:24, Isaiah 2:4, and Isaiah 9:6
1) How are the Old Testament prophets spirit-filled poets? How are their prophecies like poems?
2) In what ways are these prophets “God-obsessed”?
3) What questions does Dylan ask in “Blowin’ In the Wind”?
4) What questions are these prophets asking in their poems?

Read John 3:8 NLT: The wind blows wherever it wants. Just as you can hear the wind but can’t tell where it comes from or where it is going, so you can’t explain how people are born of the Spirit.
1) In the light of what Jesus says here, what does it mean for the answer to be blowing in the wind?
2) What does it mean to be born of the Spirit?
3) What are the effects seen in the lives of those who are born of the Spirit?
4) Consider the following statement: The Holy Spirit is the spirit of advocacy—The unholy spirit is the spirit of accusation. What are the primary differences between advocacy and accusation?
5) When have you seen the unholy spirit at work?
6) Why is a Spirit-inspired imagination necessary to see how the world can be organized around love instead of power?
7) How did Jesus ignore the fault lines of entrenched hostility? What fault lines in particular did he ignore?
8) How have you seen the winds of unity blowing?

Work
1) What can you do to ensure you are filled with the Spirit and are walking in the Spirit?

Worship
1) Psalm for the Day - Sun: 59 / Mon: 60 / Tue: 61 / Wed: 62 / Thu: 63 / Fri: 64 / Sat: 65
2) Pray as a group for the Holy Spirit to fill your hearts
3) Pray for one another