

Series: You Choose

Sermon: Hollow or Held

Passage: Various

Illustration:

Need: Jesus holds us in our brokenness and grief when we make our refuge in Him.

I. What makes us Hollow?

- Simple, sin that brings death. Grief is the reality of death and all of our lives. Rom 6:23
- Death of a loved one.
- Broken relationship with a friend or family member.
- Loss of a job.
- Betrayal by another.
- Personal sin or sin in the life of someone close.

II. We can choose be held by the God who loves us. (Psalm 139:1-11)

- The death and resurrection of Jesus addresses the death in our lives - Rom 6:23; Isa 53:4-5
- God is with His children in our brokenness and grief - Ps 34:18; Ps 56:8; Matt. 5:4; Rom 8:38-39; Luke 12:7; Deut 31:6
- We can come to God in confidence in our brokenness and grief - Ps:39:12; Ps. 18:6; Ps 56:3; Ps 34:8; James 4:8; Matt 23:37
- We're called to be the arms of God to the Hollow around us - 2 Cor 1:3-4; Rom 12:10, 15

III. Run to the Savior's arms!

- Receive God's free gift of eternal life!
- Bring your brokenness to the Lord with honesty & confidence.
- Identify and draw near to someone around you who is hurting.