

**Sermon Notes**  
**“Self-care: Place” (Gen 2:8)**  
**Oct 8, 2023**

**Discussion Questions**

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➤ **The Place God Created (2:8-10)**

*The Garden*

**It's Purpose**

➤ **The Place We Settled For (3:23-24)**

**Exile:** Physically (2 Chr 7:19-21)

Spiritually (Gal 5:19-21)

➤ **The Place God Is Restoring (Mt 7:9-10; Jn 14:1-4)**

**‘Where are you’...spiritual? (Jn 15:5)**

**...physically? (Eph 2:10)**

**Who are you with? (2 Cor 5:17-18)**

‘Where’ are you right now – physical location, relationships, work, faith journey, church, service, use of all your resources? In what areas are you where God has ‘placed’ you? How have you placed yourself?

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Look back over your life, how often have you desired to be in the next place, or a different place? How often have you been content where you were, and how often wishing for something different?

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What characteristics of Eden & the garden appeal to you? Which ones seem to be missing from your life? Which ones has God blessed you with? What seasons or ‘places’ did you experience them?

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How has your sin ‘exiled’ you from the life God created you to live - both physically and spiritually? Sin’s impact is both our condition and choices. How have your choices impact your sense of exile?

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Through the Holy Spirit, God has been guiding each of us into His new creation. What areas of your life have you been experiencing that? What areas are you struggling to find your place? Are you hopeful?

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The life Jesus invites into is not only one of ‘place’ but also community. In what ways are you alone and isolated, and what ways are you connect?

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