# SERMON NOTES

# "Go, TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN" Isaiah 40:9 Pastor Steve Cavallaro

### I. Are our problems the real problem? (vv. 1)

Genesis 3: Exile from \_\_\_\_\_ → exile from the \_\_\_\_\_

Our problem isn't our \_\_\_\_\_\_ but \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Genesis 3:24

"The returning exiles will have the same fallen, sinful nature, because, in the familiar phrase 'the heart of the human problem is the problem of the human heart'." -David Jackman

### II. What is the answer to the problem of sin out there & in here? (vv. 9-11)

"Behold your God!" "the Lord GOD come with might" "He will tend his flock like a shepherd"

The only answer to sin is the \_\_\_\_\_ who came & is coming.

Exodus 34: 6-7 Hebrews 9:28

"He will come with the strength of a warrior (no enemy will be able to resist him) and with the tenderness of a shepherd (the weak will not be left behind, and he will bring gifts (his reward, his recompense) that will make the sufferings of the exile vanish like a forgotten dream." -Barry Webb

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# III. So what? (vv. 9)

"Go on up to a high mountain" as a "herald of good news."

"lift up your voice with strength ... lift it up, fear not"

Deuteronomy 30: promised \_\_\_\_\_\_ from exile on

Revelation 22: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the tree of life \_\_\_\_\_\_

Spread the news so people can \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Deuteronomy 30:1-10 James 4:8 Revelation 22:1-2

"Temptations and occasions put nothing into a man, but only draw out what was in him before." -John Owen

"No one lives up to even his or her own moral standards. If we fall short of our own standards, what will we do before God's?" -Tim Keller

**<u>BIG IDEA:</u>** Spread the news Jesus restores hope to a weary world.