## LINCOLN COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

## Psalm 72:1-15

- Focus not just what Christ died to do, and what Christ returned as, but what Christ is Himself as a result of it.
- Philippians 2:5-11
- V. 1-5: The King's work and authority.
  - V. 1-2: The King's Son given power and justice.
  - V. 3-4: The work of the King.
    - Repentance
    - The sacrifice was never supposed to be sacrificed without previous repentance, humility, sorrow before God, and was supposed to accompany it all the way to the altar.
  - V. 5: The King's Authority
- V. 6-7: The Blessing of the King's Rule.
  - V. 6: God is that refreshing, joyful rain that comes to water your crops, take care of your family, and rain so much as to grow grass that is mown and is pleasant to the hard working farmer.
  - V. 7: The peace and grace of Christ is like the blessing of rain on a desert farm, keeping you alive and giving you deep joy and pleasure.
- V 8. 11. The total rule of the King.
  - Solomon is clearly not describing himself in this passage. He must be describing someone else because v. 11 indicates 3<sup>rd</sup> person.
- V. 12-15 The response of the saved.
  - Because of Christ's work on the cross, He can deliver you from your neediness. This is of course not in physical or material ways, but your need for salvation and vindication before God.
  - v. 14 Also states perhaps the most critical part of this psalm: **"Their blood will be precious in His sight."**
  - Your blood was more precious than Christ's blood to Christ, and to the Father. And as they planned, they shed Christ' blood in order to preserve yours.