2026-11-04 Scripture

Here is a list of all scripture references mentioned or alluded to in the sermon:

EXPLICITLY CITED

Matthew 6:24 - On not being able to serve two masters
Matthew 6:21 - On treasure and the heart
Matthew 4:1-2 - Jesus fasting forty days and nights before temptation
Matthew 6:16-18 - On fasting, beginning with "when you fast"
Matthew 9:14-15 - John's disciples questioning why Jesus' disciples do not fast
Matthew 17:17-21 - The disciples unable to cast out a demon, and Jesus teaching on faith and fasting
Hebrews 10:25 - The command to not forsake assembling together
Psalm 122:1 - Joy of going to the house of the Lord
Matthew 18:20 - Where two or more are gathered in His name
Revelation 2-3 - Jesus addressing and warning the seven churches
Jeremiah 6:13-15 - False prophets and priests dealing falsely, unashamed of their abominations
Acts 3:19 - Repentance and turning to God for sins to be wiped away
2 Corinthians 7:9-10 - Godly sorrow producing repentance leading to salvation
Psalm 51:17 - A broken and contrite heart as God's desired sacrifice
Isaiah 55:7 - The wicked forsaking their ways and turning to the Lord for pardon
1 Corinthians 3:6-7 - Planting and watering, but God providing the growth
Jude 1:3-4 - Contending for the faith once delivered, and ungodly men turning grace into license
Acts 20:29-31 - Paul warning of savage wolves rising from within the church
Matthew 7:15-16 - Warning about false prophets known by their fruits
Ecclesiastes 1:17-18 - Increased wisdom bringing increased sorrow

ALLUDED TO WITHOUT EXPLICIT CITATION

Genesis 1:26-27 - Humanity created in God's image as image bearers
Luke 15:11-32 - The prodigal son returning home, alluded to in the speaker's personal testimony of returning to God
John 10:11-13 - The Good Shepherd versus the hireling, underlying the wolf and flock imagery
2 Timothy 4:3-4 - People seeking teachers who tell them what they want to hear, underlying the critique of shallow gospel preaching
2 Timothy 3:5 - Having a form of godliness but denying its power, underlying the critique of nominal Christianity
Matthew 23:1-36 - The Pharisees knowing Scripture but not knowing God, alluded to in the closing remarks