Title: **"Foundational Security: ‘I Will Lift Up My Eyes ….. !’"**

Scripture Text & Reading: Psalm 121:1-8

Introduction:

Psalm 121 is often called “The Traveler’s Psalm” because it is the testimony of those on a journey and a word of encouragement to them in a day when travel was often very precarious.

The background of our psalm, which is called a psalm or song of Ascent – was that of a person or group of people – sometimes called pilgrims headed to Jerusalem to worship.

The teachings or Truths shared were core truths, foundational truth to their faith and the revelation of God that He had given them through the Scriptures.

In Psalm 121 several core – foundational teachings are reiterated by the Worshippers to remind each other of the greatness and wonder of the True and living God and *specifically to encourage them on their journey of life and give them hope!*

Psalm 11:3; 1 Corinthians 3:10-11; Revelation 1:5-8

**THESIS**: Our Foundational Security is found only through “Lifting our Eyes to Jesus!”

I. Foundational Security! Lifting our Eyes W and to W ? **Psalm 121:1-2**

Our Culture has a problem that is not unique to our culture – and that is understanding who God is and who He has revealed Himself to be!

1 Thessalonians 1:8-10

Hebrews 11:1-6; 12:1-3

John 1:1-4, 14; 4:19-24

Matthew 6:9-13

Ephesians 1:3-8

Acts 17:22-31

Colossians 1:16-17; 3:1-4

Hebrews 1:1-4

 Note the personal and public nature of the Psalmist declaration!

Psalm 23:1-6; 27:1, 13-14

II. Foundational Security H and N ! Lifting Our Eyes in Worship to the True and P God on Life’s Journey! **Psalm 121:3-6**

*Notice the change in pronouns – from I - me – my – to you and yours and Israel as a whole!*

**V. 3-4** – One with constant vigilance and involvement in our lives today – not a god far away!

Psalm 139:1-18

**V. 5-6** – The Keeper – Protector Now!!!

Psalm 23:1-6

Isaiah 41:10

III. Foundational Security Eternally! Lifting Our Eyes in Worship to the True and P God on Life’s Journey from Earth to H ! **Psalm 121:7-8**

“He will keep Your soul!” *“From this time forth and FOREVER!”*

**V. 7-8** – The Keeper – Protector - Forever!!!

Philippians 1:6

1 Peter 1:5

John 3:16; 10:27-30

**APPLICATION:**

1. So are you lifting up your eyes – your heart – your entire focus to Jesus – the author and finisher of our faith – Our Creator – Sustainer – to all who call on Him – our Savior/Redeemer!

2. Choose this day – this moment to look up and Rejoice in the LORD who is worthy of our Worship – Praise and Adoration!

Philippians 4:4-9

Isaiah 41:10