Sermon: Reformation and the Church

Scripture: II Chronicles 34; Nehemiah 1:1-2:10

Introduction: Hebrews 11:38

- I. The need for reformation in the Church
  - a. Josiah
  - b. Nehemiah
  - c. The Reformers
  - d. Today
- II. The goal of reformation in the Church
  - a. God is loved as the source and creator of life (Romans 11:36; Philippians 1:21)
  - b. Christ is loved as Savior and Lord and the only head of the Church.
  - c. God's Word is the only authority for life (II Timothy 3:16-17)
  - d. Christians become more earnest about the Christian life.
- III. The means of reformation in the Church
  - a. It comes by the grace of God alone
  - b. God uses people under the influence of His Spirit (II Chronicles 34:3)
  - c. God responds to His people humbling themselves and seeking Him (II Chronicles 7:14; 34:17; Nehemiah 1:6)