**Rethinking Retirement Outline 2/14/2021**

**I. Intro: Few Bible passages on the specific subject of retirement**

**A.** OT, Numbers 8:23-26 **B.** Many NT commands to “love one another” Jn. 13:34-35

**II. Creation Mandate:** Helps us understand God’s plan for our work, even if our so-called careers end.

**III. Retirement Today:** Big shift in demographics for “baby boomers” worldwide.

**A. Three Prevailing Views**

**1. “Let’s vacation!”** “I’ve worked hard, I deserve some fun!” Then, reality hits…

**2. “Can’t Afford to Retire!”** “I owe, I owe, still back to work I go..”

**3. “Change the World:** Vacay isn’t as satisfying as being a world-changer.Sounds good BUT, are we ready for life “on the treadmill” still?

**IV. How Shall We Then Live?**

**A. “Re-fire”** Continue worthwhile endeavors with new interests, different gifts, other areas of focus. Let’s begin a conversation, listen to, learn more about each other, love and encourage one another to serve as “pink spoons” in new ways. 1 Peter 1:22

**B. Loving One Another:** with all we are, have, and.. reaching our children.

**C. Loving Our Neighbors: Our Mission**: “Empowered by God to share the peace and love of Christ through service, worship and discipleship.”

**1. Vocational Stewardship**: also,with all we are, have.

**2. Won’t You Be My Neighbor?** Get to know them, build relationships “strangers into neighbors, neighbors into brothers and sisters in Christ.”

**3. Common Grace:** They Have “loaves and fishes too”!Let’s bring flourishing to Riceville valley together?

**4. Late-in-Life Discipleship:** Building up one another as we grow together in Christlikeness and service to each other and our “Jerusalem” **.**