***JON’S SERMON OUTLINE….***

THE CRASHING OF YOUR ATTITUDE

***2****Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds,****3****because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.****4****Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.****5****If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.****6****But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind.*

James 1:2-6

Introduction: We’ll jump back in the cockpit today for part 3 of a five-part sermon series entitled “Adjusting Your Attitude”. After looking at the “attitude indicator” on the plane’s instrument panel and noticing how important it is that we have a right attitude in the first sermon, last week, we talked about the “Construction Of Your Attitude” as we noted factors that went into the foundation and building of our attitude. This sermon will help us avoid losses of altitude as we fly and make the necessary adjustments in preventing a crash.

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ LOSSES OF ALTITUDE:

a. Focus on your reaction, not the turbulence (2 Timothy 3:10-11).

b. Visualize the runway (Hebrews 12:1-2).

c. Stay with the flight plan (James 1:2-4).

d. Keep in contact with the control tower (John 15:4-5).

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ TO PREVENT CRASHES:

a. The Crash From Within:

1) The fear of failure (John 12:24-25).

2) The dread of discouragement (1 Kings 19:4,9-10).

3) The struggle of sin (Romans 7:18-24).

b. The Crash From Without:

1) The conflict of criticism (Matthew 11:19).

2) The presence of problems (James 1:2-4).

3) The challenge of change (Deuteronomy 32:7-11).

CONCLUSION: Will you look to Jesus to avoid the crash?

Answers: 1. Avoiding 2. Adjusting