Date: 11/11/17

Title: Camouflage

Theme: Jesus can give you camouflage from your enemy, Satan.

Object: Several camouflage shirts from navy, pictures of animals camouflaged in nature

Text: Psalm 17:8 (NKJV) Keep me as the apple of Your eye; Hide me under the shadow of Your wings.

Who knows what special day it is today? (Veterans Day)

November 11 is Veterans Day. (It was also the day I was baptized in 1978. I have been a baptized Christian for 39 years today. So I have a special place in my heart for Veterans Day.)

What is so special about Veterans Day. What do we remember on this day?

We remember all of the people in the army, navy, air force, and marines who served in the armed forces of our country and helped protect our freedoms and way of life.

We give them a special salute on this day and thank them for what they did to help keep our country free.

Some of the veterans that fought for our country were injured in battle and some of them even were killed defending our country. We send a special thankyou to them today.

Soldiers and sailors and airmen and marines wear uniforms in the military when they fight for our country.

But nowadays when our soldiers go to battle, they wear a camouflage uniform.

I brought with me some camouflage shirts that my grandson CJ gave me from the Navy.

[Show shirts and explain what kind of terrain they are used to hide from the enemy.]

Back in the Revolutionary war, the British soldiers didn’t wear camouflage at all: They wore bright red jackets. They couldn’t hide at all! Maybe that was one of the reasons they lost the war to us.

Guess who discovered camouflage even before the military. It was God.

God used camouflage to hide different animals from their enemies.

Would you like to see some pictures of how God camouflaged some of the animals? [Show pictures]

Did you know that God can hide you too?

In the verse we read from the Bible today, David asks God to protect him and hide him.

King Saul wanted to kill David because Saul didn’t want David to become king.

But God watched over David and protected him, and Saul was not able to kill him.

David prayed that God would hide him under the shadow of God’s wing.

Now God doesn’t really have wings, but what David is saying is that he wants God to protect him from his enemies as a mother bird would protect her little chicks.

When we trust in Jesus, God can hide us from our enemy, Satan the devil.

Satan wants to lead you into sin and destroy your love for God.

He wants you to turn your back on Jesus and disobey His commandments.

But if you ask Jesus to forgive you and protect you, He can wrap His robe of righteousness around you and hide you from the devil.

If you love Jesus and trust in Him and live for Him, He will protect you from evil if you ask Him.

Would you like to wear God’s camouflage?

Let’s ask Him to hide us from evil right now, what do you say?