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CHURCH SERVICES**SUNDAY'S**

9:15 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:30 A.M.

WORSHIP

6:30 P.M.

EVENING SERVICE**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS**1:30 P.M. - PRAYER IN
REQUA HOME**WEDNESDAYS**

7:00 P.M.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY
THE ROC
KID'S CLUB
LADIES BIBLE STUDY**THURSDAYS**

1:30 P.M.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

6:00 P.M.

MAGIC VALLEY SINGLES
WOK N GRILL**1ST SATURDAY**

9:00 A.M.

SONNY BUNCH
PERKINS RESTAURANT**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK****The Good Samaritan; Q and A**

After reading "[How to Study the Bible](#)" by Watchman Nee I have decided to put into practice some of the things I've learned. So yesterday in [Sunday School](#) I thought it would be good to take a close look at one of the more famous parables of Jesus told and retold from many angles; however, how often do we get lost in the story and forget to examine the question and answer exchange between Jesus and the expert in the Law? (I enjoy the way Jesus handles questions.) I'll leave the 'story' alone (for the most part) and only focus on the exchange between Jesus and the lawyer. ([good background information is Luke 10:21-24](#))

Luke records an expert in the law stood up (see background info) to put Jesus to the test. He asks Jesus a question. Then in classic Jesus style, when being put to the test, he responds with a question (this time with two questions). In examination of the early exchange I think Jesus is proving the intent of the lawyer with his 'double-barreled' questions response.

Look at the exchange between the lawyer and Jesus (I have separated Jesus' questions out and matched them with the lawyer's answers: The question that starts it all off: "What must I do to inherit eternal life?"

1. "(v26) What is written in the Law?" "(v27) You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind."
2. "(v26) How do you read it?" "(v27) and your neighbor as yourself."
3. "(v28) You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live." "(v29) And who is my neighbor?"
4. Then Jesus answers the lawyer with the parable of the Good Samaritan (vv 30-35) followed with a very interesting (surprising) question. (the reason I say "surprising question" is because we usually are so focused on the story that we miss His last question.)
5. "(v36) Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" "(v37) The one who showed him mercy."

Now let's consider this: Historically we hear this story presented (I have surely done this too) without examining the last question by Jesus. Usually this parable is presented to answer the lawyer's question, "who is my neighbor?" He's the guy on the street, he's the guy in need of help, he's the person from a different country, he's the man with different skin tone, or he's someone no one else wants anything to do with. Where this is not bad bible, it is bad application of this parable.

Jesus puts the focus of the parable upon the Samaritan, only because he is the one who proved to BE a neighbor. Here is where the application is lost I think. The lawyer wants to know **who** his neighbor is (where most teaching stops) and Jesus wants to point out who is **being** a neighbor (where the teaching starts.)

Now, think through the earlier exchange between the lawyer and Jesus (read it again). Jesus noted that the lawyer answered correctly and then told him to do this and live. Do what? "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

Then, remember Jesus put it back on the lawyer to answer this question; "Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor?" The lawyer answered, "The one who showed him mercy."

Now, examine the story from that answer. The vantage point that Jesus wanted the lawyer to examine the story from. This 'neighbor' showed mercy, healed the man on the side of the road, took care of his needs, paid for all of the expenses... Who does that sound like? hmmm. I'm just saying.... this story is rich. I ran out of time in Sunday School to finish up the lesson, so if you are in the Twin Falls area on Sunday and looking for a [place](#) to study the word, consider joining us at 9:15am.

Wanting to do likewise...



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All About Mugwumps

One of the devil's tricks is to get us thinking about ourselves, either that we are about the best that's come down the Pike in many a moon, or that we are about the worst thing ever. The truth is, except for Jesus, our personal rating just doesn't measure up in the final tally. The scriptures certainly bear that out. Check out Jeremiah 17:9 — "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked. Who can know it?"

We are mugwumps, aren't we? Our mug is on one side of the fence, and our wump is on the other. Mugwumps. Fence Straddlers. It's terribly hard, sometimes, to stay committed, with wholehearted dedication to God's plan for our lives. But, Jesus did say we are to take up our cross daily. A friend once said he thought it good (for those who sincerely want to do God's will, consistently) that a person tell God, "if you have a record book up there in heaven, please write down in it that on this date I said that I really do want to do your will, no matter what — just in case I get off track sometime and lose my way."

David seemed to have an answer for his waywardness. Psalm 119:150: " I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek your servant, for I do not forget your commandments". He says, "I'm lost, please come find me".

More specifically, like this: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my anxieties, and see if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." Psalm 139:23-24

Gene Lawley, Finance Chairman

Happy Birthday



- 5 Dorothy Martin
- 14 Dillon Lloyd
- 17 Gene Lawley
- 24 Charles Helman
- 28 Lora Crider
- 29 Jake Hanchey



Do You Have A Heart For Helping Others ?



Want to know more about the ministry ? Here is your opportunity to learn what Southern Baptist Disaster Relief workers do, why they do it, and how they work !

Happy Anniversary

April 23rd
John & Helen Requa

**Disaster Relief Introduction Training
April 17th**

Class runs from: 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
Hosted By: First Baptist Church
2245 California, Gooding, ID



To register, contact Andy Edgar at 316-4833 or by email at ase.932@gmail.com

"Don't leave home without that Can In Your Hand!"

Webster's Dictionary states "**Benevolence**" this way; "kindly disposition to do good and promote the welfare of others."

Hebrews 2:9b (TLB) says "Yes, because of God's great kindness, Jesus tasted death for everyone in all the world." Why did He do this? What was the result?

Hebrews 2:10b explains; "for in doing this He was bringing vast multitudes of God's people to heaven."

Each one of us has the opportunity and privilege to bring vast multitudes of God's people to heaven by our acts of benevolence. Our church has been designated as a "Disaster Relief" center with the American Red Cross in case of catastrophe. In that regard we will have the capacity to house and shelter up to 50 people. This includes providing food for their physical body as well as "*Spiritual Food*" and sharing our "*Only Hope, Jesus Christ.*"

In the weeks to follow, the Benevolence Pantry needs to be stocked with nutritious non-perishable items. Be watching in your church bulletin on Sunday's and Monthly Newsletter for what needs to be brought in. In the meantime, please open your hearts and remember to bring canned goods with you each time you come to church; be it to services on Sunday, Mid-week Studies on Wednesday or Thursday.

"Don't leave home without that Can In Your Hand!"

Whatever you do, do ALL in JESUS' Name For His Glory!

Marianne Christlieb

Benevolence Pantry Coordinator

Christian Motorcyclists Association



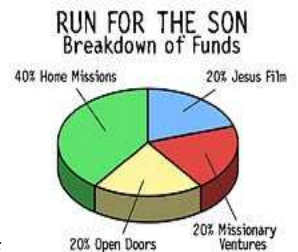
MAGIC VALLEY KINGDOM KRUISERS

2010 RUN FOR THE SON

Saturday, May 1

Over the past twenty-two years, CMA has been able to extend our outreach to millions of people throughout the world by the fruits of

Run for the Son. By giving to fellow ministries, we have been able to place the message of hope in front of the multitudes in hundreds of other countries. In addition, Run for the Son has enabled CMA to equip the saints here in the United States and all over the world to reach the lost with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The successful efforts of the past twenty-two years have raised over 34 million dollars to help spread the Good News.



Magic Valley Kingdom Kruisers will be having a yard sale on April 17, 2010 for Christian Motorcyclists Associations only fundraiser for [Run for the Son](#). As you do your spring clean and you come across items that you no longer need or want. Please consider donating those items for the yard sale to be held by the CMA on April 17th. Items can be dropped off at Tony & Dayle Everts home at 306 Buckingham Drive, Twin Falls, ID by April 16, 2010. If you would like more information about Magic Valley Kingdom Kruisers please contact Tony & Dayle Everts at 208-944-0665 or

<http://cmanwr1.org/TRI/MAGICVALLEYKINGDOMKRUISERSFORMINGCHAPTER/default.aspx>

~ Minds Attention Hearts Affection ~

Part Five – “Love Affair Without Compare”

Long before I meet you I am thinking of you. You are beating through my mind and my heart at times with a passion I can hardly contain, wishing at times I could shout out to the listening world what you are to me. Distracted only briefly but faithfully I return to thoughts of you. I embrace those days, my times with you, as delight, and I am impatient to come together for our weekly rendezvous. I feel as though I am living a lie, you are my link to the relationship I have with another and yet you are faithful to me; you do not disappoint. How I count the days till we are together again and I sing you out before so many others who desire you all the same. You are my cry, my music, and my song. You are my love affair without compare.

Does this sound like a segment out of a sordid novel? Were it that modest; unfortunately this is the love song of all too many a Christian in their “love affair” with the music they use to worship God Almighty. Sound a little too far-fetched? Think again. Every week Churches gather together to sing songs, and hymns which seem on the surface to be directed to the God of Creation. The words and lyrics recite God’s name and proclaim His glories to ourselves and before the presence of all who hear. Yet, all too often these songs go no farther than the room from which they are sung. We have a secret love affair with the music, the notes, the lyrics, the melodies, and the harmonies emoting from our lips. This passionate response and “chemical reaction” taking place in our bodies is a result of the infatuation we have for the actual song rather than the object of our composition.

Perhaps we’ve convinced ourselves that this joy and exuberance we are feeling is indeed a worship experience with God. Yet God is not the recipient of this focused ardor. We are the recipients. We have stolen God’s deserved worship and taken it for ourselves and consumed it upon our own lusts. (James 4:3b)

What a beautiful gift. God has clearly given us access to a beautiful thing. Music is just that. It is a gift from God. It is a beautiful endowment meant to be used up on the One who deserves its accolades above all others. God intends for us to use this gift to bless Him.

Performing music is an act that brings a type of pleasure that can be known by all who participate. And it is no surprise why music pervades our society like no other thing. It permeates and saturates nearly all that we do. Yet God, the Creator of all good things, created this beautiful gift to be used for His pleasure just as you and I are created for His good pleasure.

¹¹Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. Revelation 4:11. (KJV)

Worship is its own reward. When we give, we naturally receive from the overflow. He has created a beautiful thing for us to use for His pleasure and at the same time allows us to receive benefit from our praise to Him. The Word of God shows us where this kind of worship takes us. ***¹⁰Glory in His holy name; Let the heart of those who seek the LORD be glad.*** 1 Chronicles 16:10. God has created a by-product from the worship offered up to Him and this result is a glad heart. He’s talking about real joy from worshipping Him, the type of experience we receive from His presence. Yet, we are trading the real thing for a cheap imitation, what’s up with that?

God is not ignorant as to how we use our worship. ***⁴You must not make for yourself an idol of any kind or an image of anything in the heavens or on the earth or in the sea. ⁵You must not bow down to them or worship them, for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God who will not tolerate your affection for any other gods. I lay the sins of the parents upon their children; the entire family is affected—even children in the third and fourth generations of those who reject me. ⁶But I lavish unfailing love for a thousand generations on those who love me and obey my commands.*** Exodus 20:4-6. (KJV)

John Martinez †

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April Nursery schedule

April 4th

9:15 am Katherine Edgar
10:15 am
David Shepherd

April 11th

9:15 am Christie Burton
10:30 am
Ryan Franklin

April 18th

9:15 am Dayle Everts
10:30 am
Stacey Brown

April 25th

9:15 am Katherine Edgar
10:30 am
Shari Helman

BLOG

Our pastors blog sites are
at.

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Then click on their name
and you will be directed
to their

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This is a great way to get
to know your Pastors on
a more intimate level.
Read their thoughts, see
their stories, post your
own responses, and ask
them questions.

Bulletins Boards

**If you have something
you would like to post
on the bulletin boards.**

**Please place in the
church office and Dawn
will take care of it..**

**Thank You
Church Staff**

Eastside Baptist Church

seeking to glorify God



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1 1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study 6:00 PM Magic Valley Singles	2	3 * 9am Sonny Bunch Perkins Restaurant
4 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship No Evening Service	5	6	7 7:00 PM Adult Study The ROC Kid's Club Ladies Bible Study	8 1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study 6:00 PM Magic Valley Singles	9	10 *8:30 A.M. Church Work Day
11 * 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 6:30 pm Evening Service	12	13	14 7:00 PM Adult Study The ROC Kid's Club Ladies Bible Study	15 1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study 6:00 PM Magic Valley Singles	16	17 Intro Training FBC Gooding 9:00am to 3:00pm
18 *9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 6:30 pm Evening Service	19	20	21 7:00 PM Adult Study The ROC Kid's Club Ladies Bible Study	22 1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study 6:00 PM Magic Valley Singles	23	24 MVBA Semi-Annual Mtg. Northridge Fellowship 10:00 A.M.
25 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 6:30 pm Evening Service	26	27	28 7:00 PM Adult Study The ROC Kid's Club Ladies Bible Study	29	30	

Scripture Verse

The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.
The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.
Psalms 33:16-17 (ESV)

* April 3th 9:00 A.M. Sonny Bunch Perkins Restaurant	* April 4th Easter "HE, HAS RISEN"	* April 10th 8:30 A.M. Church Work Day ** April 12th 5:00 P.M. Deacons Mtg.	* April 19th 4:30 P.M. Church Council Mtg. 5:00 P.M. Ministry/Business Mtg.	"The Link Calendar of Events"
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