

Nuggets of Treasure

What We Value



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What do you perceive as necessary in life? Of course, our family is important, a job, food, clothing, and a place to live. Besides these things, some people believe pleasure is nec-

essary, and exercise is valuable. The question is where does the Lord God fit into this equation? We can have time for many different things if we

manage our time appropriately.

So, what do we view as something valuable or that has value to us? When people value something is what they give their time to. What do we give our time to? As a believer, do we see the value or benefit in attending church gatherings with other believers? What is the benefit? The benefit of gathering with other believers is for encouragement, fellowship, and instruction. We need all three of these to have a balanced life as a believer. If we attend Sunday Morning, Sunday Evening, and Wednesday, we invest three ½ hours out of 168 hours a week. Some people do not take part because they do not think they have the time. As we give time to the Lord God. He increases our time for other necessary

things. When we put God first, other things will come to us. Matthew 6:33: (AMP) "But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides." As a believer, if we value our life, we will value our relationship with the Lord and give Him first place in our time and life.

In a survey from 2020, over 50% of individuals stopped attending church and never returned because they did not see any value in attending. They did not believe they were receiving anything to help them in life. They thought they could maneuver life without the Lord. Value comes not only from what you will receive but also from what you put into something. Tony Evans made this quote, "When people say, I do not have to go to church to be a Christian," and they are right. Salvation is through faith alone in Christ alone. You also do not have to go home to be married- but stay away long enough, and your relationship will be affected." Another view is this: when a piece of coal is removed from the group of coals in the fire and set aside, it slowly loses its glow and heat. Many people have grown cold, and their fellowship with the Lord is affected. They are not receiving all the benefits that come with salvation. When people step away from church, they lose connectivity with the Lord and other believers. They are not receiving encouragement, fellowship, or instruction.

What we see value in, we put forth an effort. What we value. we believe essential. What we value should decide our priorities. Do we value God's principles? Coming to church is about transformation. We are learning to walk in love in relationships and deal with stress. We must apply what is being taught. In other words, be a doer of the Word and not a hearer only. As we attend church consistently, we will be encouraged, flourish, and grow. We will have fellowship with other believers, which also brings encouragement.

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Upcoming Events 2023

November 5 Daylight Saving Time Ends



November 7 Election Day

November 11 Veterans Day

November 23 Thanksgiving

December 24 Christmas Eve

December 25 Christmas

Church Offices

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Ministry Office is at the church by appointment only: 13th & Fillmore, Caldwell, ID Phone 208-459-6000 FAX 208-459-6600



"The Bible doesn't tell us to speak truth in anger or selfrighteousness—only to speak the truth in love. As God's children. let's never speak with an attitude that says "I told you so" or "I know more than you" or "I'm better than you." When we bring correction in a mean-spirited way, we demonstrate a lack of compassion for those we address. That's so tragic and costly. All of us must be motivated, moved, and even consumed with love when we speak into someone's life, or we should not speak at all." --- John Bevere

"Many Christians thinks it's all right if they pattern after Jesus in a sort of way. They imitate Him, and they do the things which He did; that is, they outwardly do them. They perform kind acts, and they do other things which Jesus did. But the secret of Christianity is not in doing, the secret is in being. Real Christianity is in being a possessor of the nature of Jesus Christ. In other words, it is being Christ in character. Christ in demonstration. Christ in agency of transmission. When one gives himself to the Lord and becomes a child of God, a Christian, he is a Christ man. All that he does, and all that he says from that time on, should be the will and the words and the doings of Jesus just as absolutely, just as entirely, as he spoke, and did the will of the Father."---John G Lake

Happy Birthday

No birthdays or Anniversaries this month



Our Helping Hands Show A Loving Heart

Get involved, find a place to help. We all have something to give. We need greeters, ushers, maintenance, socials, visitations, children, youth, food center, music, socials, driving etc.

VOLUNTEER



Oasis Food Center Update

September 2023

Families: 1,206 New Families: 52 Total People: 4,489

Year to Date 2023 (as of 9/28/23)

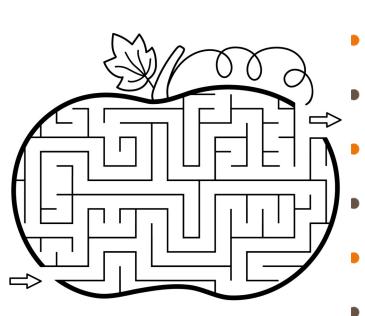
Families: 11,504 New Families: 632 Total People: 44,823

Year to Date 2022

Families: 15,288 New Families: 766 Total People: 60,604

Children's Corner

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Bring Your Friends and Join the Fun at Church!

Sunday Morning 10:30 am





RECIPE CORNER

Crispy Everything Chicken Cutlets

Ingredients

Chicken:

- 4 chicken cutlets
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup milk
- 2 large eggs, beaten
- 1 1/4 cups panko breadcrumbs
- 3 tablespoons everything bagel seasoning
- 3 tablespoons salted butter
- 3 tablespoons olive oil

Easy Lemon Dressing:

- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 2 teaspoons honey
- 2 lemons, juiced (about 1/4 cup)
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

Salad:

- 4 cups mixed greens
- 1 cup halved cherry tomatoes
- 2 lemons, halved or sliced, for garnish

Directions

For the chicken: Heat a large skillet over medium heat.

Season the chicken with 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Add the flour to a shallow bowl. Whisk together the milk and eggs in a second bowl. Mix the panko and everything bagel seasoning in a third bowl

Bread the chicken by dredging each cutlet first in the flour, shaking off the excess. Next, dip into the egg wash, then cover in the seasoned panko.

Add the butter and oil to the skillet. When the butter is melted, add the chicken and cook until golden and crisp (or registering 165 degrees F), 4 to 5 minutes per side. Remove to a rack to rest.

For the easy lemon dressing: While the chicken is cooking, add the olive oil, mustard, honey, lemon juice and salt and pepper to taste to a mason jar and shake to combine.

For the salad: Pour the dressing over the mixed greens in a bowl and toss. Add the greens to a platter, pile the chicken on top and garnish with the tomatoes and lemons. (Alternatively, add the undressed greens to a platter, drizzle on some of the dressing, pile the chicken on top, garnish with the tomatoes and lemons and serve with additional dressing on the side.)



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We should value the promises in the Word of God. We should cherish the peace, joy, and hope of God's Word. We should value our benefits with salvation—for example, grace God's enabling ability. Do not be the lonely coal that loses its glow and heat. Do not be the 50% that stop attending church. Instead, come together with other believers every chance, be an encourager, and a hope giver. Be refreshed so you can go out into the world and share the love and hope of Jesus, salvation. As a believer, we have been given the ministry of reconciliation; if we do not see the value, how can we share the value of Jesus?



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We all like to have remarkable things happen in our lives. Who doesn't want to have a miracle? Sometimes, we might feel like the Lord God is doing amazing things for others but not for us. We often look at the people of the Bible, and it seems they had amazing things happen to them. Joseph was second in command in Egypt. Daniel was delivered from the lion's den. The three Hebrew boys were delivered from the fiery furnace. Awesome! If only God would do amazing things for me.

Do we ever get a bad attitude when someone gives a praise report at church or bible study? Do we feel disheartened because other people's prayers are being answered, but ours seem to go unanswered? When we become discouraged and develop a bad attitude, does it affect our walk with the Lord? Do we become weary and hopeless, and do we get cold to the things of God?

But before we get depressed, it is probably because our expectations and perceptions are out of line. If we look back to those three people mentioned, they went through difficult circumstances before amazing things happened. Joseph was sold into slavery, was accused of rape, thrown into prison, and stayed there for a while. So even though Joseph was unrelentingly faithful to the Lord God against great odds, for many years, God didn't "show

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up" to rescue him from his ordeal. Yet he did not give up because he knew that "the Lord was with him." Just think, he did not have a bible, family, or friends.

Let's think about our attitude for a minute. Are we thankful for His grace (His enabling ability) that He gives us? Are we thankful we have the written Word of God? Are we grateful that we have the Holy Spirit to guide and comfort us? Are we even relying on the Holy Spirit? We have so much!!! Hebrews 13:5:" Let your character or moral disposition be free from love of money [including greed, avarice, lust, and craving for earthly possessions] and be satisfied with your present [circumstances and with what you have]; for He [God] Himself has said, I will not in any way fail you nor give you up nor leave you without support. [I will] not, [I will] not, [I will] not in any degree leave you helpless nor forsake nor let [you] down (relax My hold on you)! [Assuredly not!]" The Lord is saying to be content with what you have. I am with you. He will never withdraw His presence or His help. What an awesome promise to us. He is with us twenty-four/seven. There is a song the children sang at VBS one year: "God is watching out for me 24/7. We can always be assured of the Lord God's help.

Maybe the Lord has not done something that we think is amazing in our life lately, but guess what? The Lord has saved us by His shed blood, and if we have accepted Him, we are guaranteed heaven. That is amazing since that is not what we deserve. We should be singing praise to Him daily for saving us. If He does nothing else, that is more than enough.





OCTOBER 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6:30pm Music Prac- tice 7pm Evening Service	2	3	Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	Feed the Needy 4 pm- 6 pm	6	7
8 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6:30pm Music Practice 7pm Evening Service	9	10	11 Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	12 Feed the Needy 4 pm- 6 pm	13	14
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22 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6:30pm Music Prac- tice 7pm Evening Service	23	24	Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	Feed the Needy 4 pm- 6 pm	27	28
29 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6:30pm Music Prac- tice 7pm Evening Service	30	31				