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# We Need to Stand



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In our country today, we are witnessing division everywhere and over so many things. Many different people are demanding their rights. What is even more distressing is the division among believers. Everyone has their opinion, and they believe their view is right. The heartbreak is that a house divided will fall. As Christians, we have forgotten that our warfare is not in the flesh. All people are valuable and vital, whether we agree or disagree with them. Ephesians 6:12 (AMP) "For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the despotisms, against the powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere." What we see today is people warring against each other, perhaps not always physically but verbally. Attacking people's character and tearing down, being malicious, slandering, and the list goes. The enemy is having a hay-day. Even Christians are warring in the natural, and neglect to see the spiritual aspect.

As a believer, we need to realize we are in a battle with the devil and his cohorts. The devil comes to rob, kill, and destroy. He is a deceiver, can appear as an angel of light, liar, distorts the Word, perverts the right way, is prideful, cunning, a bully and beguiler, and subtle. When Jesus dealt with the devil in the wilderness, Jesus defeated Him by the Word of God.

How do we war? Ephesians 6:10-11 (AMP) "10 A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil." We need to be strong in the Lord. We cannot rely on our own strength. Also, we cannot just state that we are strong in the Lord repeatedly and have it so. Our strength comes from the Word of God and praying in the Spirit. Our power comes from the Holy Spirit, as we rely on Him. Ephesians 3:16 (AMP) "May He grant you out of the rich treasury of His glory to be strengthened and reinforced with mighty power in the inner man by the [Holy] Spirit [Himself indwelling your innermost being and personality]."

The Holy Spirit is with us to give power and help us with our thoughts, attitudes, behavior, and speech. Wrong thinking, attitudes, behavior, and speech will hinder us from standing firm against the devil's strategies. We need to be led by the Holy Spirit. We often forget the things we are dealing with are in the spirit realm, even though they manifest in the natural realm. We need to be praying prayer matters. Think about Daniel, who had been praying for three weeks but had not received an answer. There was a spiritual battle happening that hinder the response.

We cannot be ignorant that we are in a spiritual battle or for sure we will not overcome. Ephesians 6:13-18 (AMP) "Therefore put on God's complete armor, that you may be able to resist and stand your ground on the evil day [of danger], and, having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place]. 14 Stand therefore [hold your ground], having tightened the belt of truth around your loins and having put on the breastplate of integrity and of moral rectitude and right standing with God, 15 And having shod your feet in preparation [to face the enemy with the firm-footed stability, the promptness, and the readiness produced by the good news] of the Gospel of peace. 16 Lift up over all the [covering] shield of saving faith, upon which you can quench all the flaming missiles of the wicked [one]. 17 And take the helmet of salvation and the sword that the Spirit wields, which is the Word of God. 18 Pray at all times (on every occasion, in every season) in the Spirit, with all [manner of] prayer and entreaty. To that end keep alert and watch with strong purpose and perseverance, interceding on behalf of all the saints (God's consecrated people)." We are to stand. We stand in truth; the truth of the Word of

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## Upcoming Events 2020

September 6 Celebrate Monthly birthdays & Anniversaries

September 7th Labor Day



#### September 22 First Day of Autumn



October 4 Celebrate Monthly birthdays & Anniversaries

October 12 Columbus Day

# **Church Offices**

The Administrative Office is not located at the church building.

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



"Great results happen-when you believe that they will!."—-Jesse Duplantis

"It is a glorious thing to get to know God in a new way in the inner chamber. It is something still greater and more glorious to know God as the all-sufficient One and to wait on His Spirit to open our hearts and minds wide to receive the great things, the new things which He really longs to bestow on those who wait for Him."—-Andrew Murray

"Don't let the fear of "missing God" keep you from moving forward."— Lisa Bevere

"One kind word can change someone's entire day."—Toby Mac

"Society loves to put labels on people. Remember you are a child of God!"—-Joyce Meyer

"Every person's life is a continuation of another...ad what you do today will set the groundwork for tomorrow."—-Jesse Duplantis

"The Holy Spirit desires to be our closest friend."—-John Bevere

"Every faith endeavor begins with a seed."—-Jerry Savelle

# **Birthday Blessings**

9/2 Paula Adams 9/3 Katie Church 9/3 Evan Wright 9/11 Sara Wright 9/11 Carson Wright 9/13 Cricket Johansen 9/19 Mary Larsen



#### 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**

August 2020 (as of 8/26/2020) Families: 943 New Families: 51 Total People: 3,780

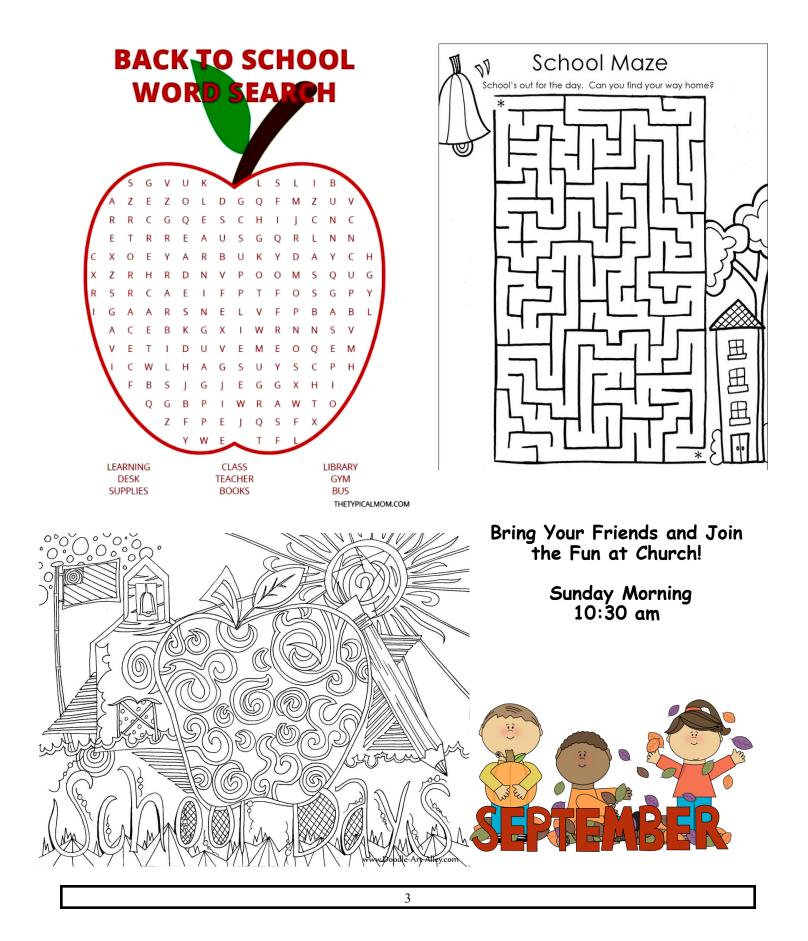
<u>Year to Date 2020</u> (as of 8/26/2020) Lunches: 1,282 Families: 9,973 New Families: 696 Total People: 38,430

#### Year to Date 2019

Lunches: 5,979 Families: 16,079 New Families: 1,136 Total People: 57,465

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Children's Corner





**RECIPE CORNER** 

# Chicken or Steak with Balsamic BBQ Sauce Ingredients:

# For the Balsamic BBQ sauce:

- 1 cup balsamic vinegar
- 3/4 cup ketchup
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 1 garlic clove, minced1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

#### For the chicken or steak:

- 4 pieces chicken (any combination of breast or leg-and-thigh pieces) or 4 pieces of New York strip or Club strip steak
- Salt and freshly ground pepper

## **Directions:**

1. For the BBQ sauce:

2. Combine all the ingredients in a small saucepan and stir until all the ingredients are incorporated and the mixture is smooth. Simmer over medium heat until reduced by 1/3, about 15 to 20 minutes.

3. For the chicken or steak:

4. Place a grill pan over medium heat or preheat a gas or charcoal grill. Season the meat with salt and pepper. Lightly coat with some of the BBQ sauce using a pastry brush. Place the meat on the grill. Place the remaining BBQ sauce, still in the small saucepan, over low heat or on the edge of a gas or charcoal grill and allow to gently simmer while the meat cooks.

5. Cook the chicken about 8 minutes per side. Cook the steaks starting at about 4 minutes per side until a meat thermometer reads the desired temperature, 120 degrees F for medium rare, 135 degrees F for medium (about 6 minutes per side), 155 degrees F for well done (about 9 minutes per side). Continually brush the meat with BBQ sauce every few minutes. Remove the meat from the grill and let rest for at least 5 minutes. Serve with the heated BBQ sauce alongside. Alternately, the chicken can be baked in the oven. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F. Place the chicken skin side up in a baking dish and bake for 25 minutes. Remove the baking dish from the oven and spoon the BBQ sauce all over the top of the chicken. Return the baking dish to the oven and bake for another 15 minutes.



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God. Our breastplate of right standing with the Lord comes by faith and confidence in our position. The Word prepares us and gives us stability. Whenever thinking of the shield of faith, I always think of a skit we did for children's church, where a person was the devil and threw fiery darts at us; we held up the shield of faith quoting the Word of God. Incorrect thinking, attitudes, fears, and lies are hurled at us by the enemy as fiery darts, but our faith in the Word guenches them. What are you speaking about the division in our country? Are you speaking the Word, the sword that the Spirit wields? How are you praying? Prayer should be the first thing we always do; it is our source of strength. We do not know precisely how or what to pray, but the Holy Spirit will help us. Praying in the Spirit is vital in the time we live in. We should be praying for our country, leaders, families, etc. Take a stand, by speaking the Word of God to the situations and circumstances. This is not a time to be complacent or idle.



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We live in every changing world. Many changes that are happening today disrupt and create havoc in our daily lives, and certainly disturb us. Most people dislike change in any manner, and our lives today surely have changed. In our world today, as a believer, it is vital that we are sensitive to the Holy Spirit and allows Him to lead us.

When thinking of the Holy Spirit as a guide, I am reminded of going white water rafting for the first time. I would not have attempted this journey down the Payette River without an experienced guide. I knew that I did not have the knowledge or skills to attempt this independently or did any of my family members. Perhaps, we could have tried, but then we might have ended up in the river or even crashed. So, arrangements were made in advance of this adventure to have a guide. The guide had the knowledge and experience because she had done it many times. Our guide instructed us even before we loaded the raft, and all along the trip. She told us how and when to paddle as we entered each rapid, etc. We safely made it down the river with no mishaps because we listened to and allowed the guide to led us. Too often, as believers, we do not listen to and let the Holy Spirit guide us, as we believe we can do it our selves (pride).

### Everyday Godly Living

Most people today do not like to be told what to do, so they surely would not allow the Holy Spirit to lead them. As a Christian, a son of God, we should be living each day under the power and control of the Holy Spirit. Romans 8:14 (AMP) "For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God." It is a privilege and right as a child of God to be led by the Holy Spirit. Be led by the Holy Spirit describes living under the control and empowerment of the Holy Spirit. We must yield to the Holy Spirit to receive the most significant benefits of His presence. He can guide us through the upheaval of COIVD-19. He can help us to pray. He can give us a Rhema Word to stand upon its promise. Do we ask the Holy Spirit to guide us? Do we depend upon the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives, every aspect of our lives? Too often, we think we know better, and we decide to do it ourselves. Most often, we make a mess that the Holy Spirit needs to make right. Are we in tune with the Holy Spirit? Do we rely on Him or ourselves?

When the Holy Spirit is guiding our lives, others should be able to notice. There is a story about D.L. Moody that should be an example to us; "A group of pastors were discussing the possibility of having D. L. Moody serve as an evangelist at a city-wide evangelistic campaign. One minister was reluctant to have Moody speak. "Why Moody?" he asked. "Does he have a monopoly on the Holy Spirit?" The question was followed by a hushed silence. Finally, another man spoke up and said, "No, Moody does not have a monopoly on the Holy Spirit. But the Holy Spirit does have a monopoly on D. L. Moody." Are we being guided by the Holy Spirit? Is it evident to others?

Not only does the Holy Spirit desire to lead and guide us, but He also wants to keep "TABS" on us. He desires to have an impact on our thoughts, attitudes, behavior, and speech. He is encouraging us to line things up to the Word of God. We need to stay submitted to the Holy Spirit, listen to, and be obedient to His leading and guidance. The Holy Spirit gives us grace and power to change our ever-changing world and live according to the Word. He will strengthen and provide us with peace. Yield yourselves to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit leads a child of God.



# SEPTEMBER 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Feed the Needy 12 pm– 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	3 Feed the Needy 4 pm– 6 pm	4	5
6 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6pm Music Practice 7pm Evening Service	7 Labor Day	8	9 Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm	10 Feed the Needy	11	12
13 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth	14	15	Bible Study 16 Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm	4 pm- 6 pm 17	18	19
6pm Music Practice 7pm Evening Service			7pm Bible Study	Feed the Needy 4 pm– 6 pm		
20 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6pm Music Practice 7pm Evening Service	21	22 First day of Autumn	23 Feed the Needy 12 pm– 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	24 Feed the Needy 4 pm– 6 pm	25	26
27 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6pm Music Practice 7pm Evening Service	28	29	30 Feed the Needy 12 pm– 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study			