

Wednesday Word 7-22-2026

1 John 2:6 *“Whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way he walked.”*

I just spent last week in Athol, Idaho at Silverwood theme park. It is an annual trip we take with multiple other friends and family members and have enjoyed this tradition for the past 8 years. This is a wonderful place for a family trip because it is affordable, fun for all ages, and close enough to home to not have to endure an arduous road trip but far enough away to leave the cares of life behind.

The Theme Park itself has two main components: A water park with all types of slides and pools for all ages and a traditional theme park with roller coasters, carnival games, restaurants, and entertainment stage performances. While it is packed with non-stop activities, I have found an activity that is not in any advertisement for the venue and is one of the most amazing things to see: People Watching.

For whatever reason, Silverwood seems to be the one place where I stop long enough to look at people and families together and, more specifically, the family resemblance. I will sit on a bench and watch mothers, fathers and kids walk by and just be amazed at how the kids look like one another and how they look like their parents. I think it is because it is a family attraction that it brings everyone out together.

This got me to thinking: Do I look like my father? I am not talking about my biological father, I mean my spiritual father. Do people look at me and associate me with my God? Do I display the same spiritual characteristics that he does? I believe this is such an important assessment to make and to make often. I want people to associate my life with my Savior and redeemer, and I want my actions and deeds to be low-hanging fruit for people to taste and see that the Lord is good.

While the message this week is a very simple one, I believe it is an important one for us to continue to look for areas in our lives that may not fully resemble Christ and strengthen areas that do.

I love you and God loves you!

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