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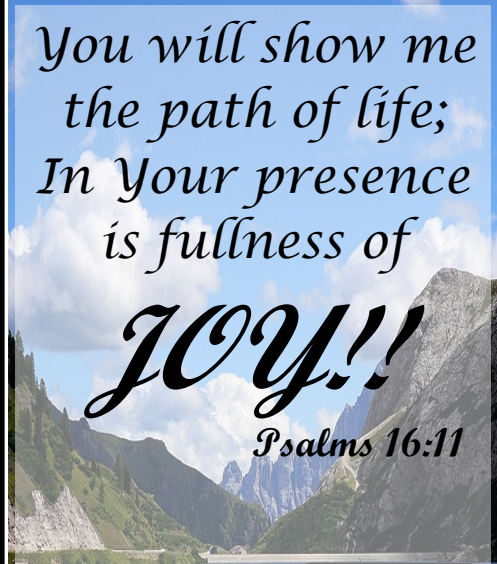
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For God So loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoso ever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life.
John 3:16

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You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of

JOY!!

Psalms 16:11

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Mission Highlights

Soup Kitchen Menu For July

Sunday July 3rd

- Chicken Parmesan
- Angel Hair Pasta
- Salad
- Chicken Gumbo

Sunday July 10th

- BBQ Teriyaki Chicken
- Macaroni Salad
- Rice
- Egg Drop Soup

Sunday July 17th

- Tacos
- Taco bar
- Rice and Beans
- Tortilla Soup

Sunday July 24th

- Pulled Pork Sandwich
- Coleslaw
- Chips
- Broccoli and Cheddar Soup

Sunday July 31st

- Hamburger and Hot dogs
- Salads and Chips
- Summer Soups

**Please come and join us.
If you feel led to serve the soup kitchen,
Contact James Noriega at the Mission.**

Also, we need the following:

- ◆ Hamburger meat
- ◆ Chicken
- ◆ Any type of vegetables
- ◆ Sausage breakfast, or ground
- ◆ Milk
- ◆ Eggs

Big need!!

We are in need of a riding mower and weed eater for the Bonner County Homeless Transitions Center. We now take care of their houses for homeless families and they desperately need a riding lawn mower .

Huge Update!!



Interest Meeting

for

Women and Children's Mission

Saturday, July 16th

9am to 11am

at

Ponderay Event Center

401 Bonner Mall Way, Ponderay, ID 83852

We need your help!!

We are seeking volunteers to help create a Women and Children's Mission in the Sandpoint area.

If you are interested in helping us build a Women and Children's Mission, please come and sign up for the various needs to help kick-start start this new project.



Mission Updates Cont...

Boone and Jason graduated this month!!



We are so proud of these two! We are announcing a new transitional house for the men who graduate from our Discipleship.

Boone and Jason are the first to go

and we plan to add more men as they graduate this year and continue to live out the discipleship they learned while at the mission. We praise God for this home. It helps the men transition back into the community with more connections to Church and other believers to further continue Godly transformation.



Introducing our new community men's breakfast at the mission. The last Saturday of every month at 9am, we will host a men's breakfast and share the word of God with men in our community. We would love to see you there and please bring your sons. As we share our breakfast, the Word of God will be shared and discussed. This will be a great outlet for men as we talk through the meaning of what is a "Man Of God" Monthly topics will relate to Biblical Manhood.



How to Suffer Well: A Lesson from Job

Job is one of the best books we have on learning to suffer well. We learn the same lessons Job learned regarding our own suffering; how we turn inward when we hurt. Sometimes we look at our own self-righteousness and justification, spending time rationalizing why we shouldn't be suffering or pondering on the good things we have done and how we should not have to suffer. Simply put, we play the victim.

Job did this same thing. In chapter 31 Job spends the whole chapter speaking about how good he's been on Earth. He claims he fed the hungry; clothed the naked. If you read all of chapter 31 in almost every verse Job says "I have done" this or that. In chapter 32 his friends even quit talking to him because they realize Job was righteous in his own eyes. Then Elihu comes on the scene in Chapter 32 and rebukes Job for justifying himself, or making himself seem like a god. In Job's mind and heart he had no reason to suffer; in Job's mind and heart he had no right to suffer because of all the good he had done. This is where I go when I hurt. I point out other people's sin to the point where I can't see my own sin.

God comes on the scene in chapter 38 and almost sarcastically rebukes Job. It's like God is saying "really Job, you have done all these things? That was you who clothed the naked? That was you who fed the hungry?" God basically blesses Job by telling him, "You are not God" You see, it's a good day when we realize we are not our own god

I don't think the sin of self-righteousness just suddenly came out of Job, I think it was there the whole time, but it took suffering for Job to reveal the sin of self-righteousness. The same thing has happened to me. Our men at the mission are often in the hardest season they can recall, but at the same time, they realize how self-righteous they had become. Yet God has blessed the men in the same way He blessed Job by saying, "Son, you are not God."

Most amazingly, In Job 42:5, "Before all this happened to me it was my ears that heard of you, but now my eyes see You!" This is amazing because Job now sees God even clearer than before. God used Job suffering to open him up more to His presence. The men too, can say (when they repent) they see God in a greater way than before.

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