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## Where We’ve Been, What We’ve Been Up to

### & Where We’re Headed Next . . .

- 3rd Monday monthly—Mending Fences Fellowship, Leadership Team, Spokane, WA (Hippe)
- 3 Sundays/month through August –Wayne Morris, Sprague Community Church, Sprague, WA
- June 1, July 3, August 7—CBF, Kettle Falls, WA (Morris)
- June 25—ESM board meeting, New Hope Bible Church
- June 12, 19—Country Bible Church, Dusty, WA (Hippe)
- July 18-22—Pend Oreille Bible Camp, (3rd-6th graders) Newport , WA (Hippe)
- August 21—Blanchard Community Church, Blanchard, ID (special outreach service)

ASSISTING WITH FINDING SPEAKERS AT CBF IN KETTLE FALLS AND SPRAGUE COMMUNITY CHURCH

**WE ARE AVAILABLE FOR PULPIT SUPPLY EVEN ON SHORT NOTICE.**

Do you need assistance with Creative outreach programs, AWANA or Kid’s Clubs, Sunday School, Family Camp, Teen or Kid’s camps or other special events? Contact us. We are here to serve.

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## AWESOME GOD

We tend to be awestruck by an Olympic gold medalist, especially one who has earned six or seven gold medals in his or her sport. We may be in awe at a movie star, a billionaire, or one who is extremely intelligent. An incredible basketball player like Michael Jordan or LeBron James is labeled “**awesome**.” A pitcher who throws a no hitter like Nolan Ryan or Justin Verlander is held in awe along with batters in the class of Babe Ruth or Mike Trout. Is it really “**awesome**” to win an Olympic gold



medal or be able to consistently put a leather ball through a metal hoop? Is it “**awesome**” to throw a smaller leather ball 100 mph, to pitch a no hitter, or safely hit that same object with a wooden stick three out of ten times or set record on the football field?

Certainly, these are notable human accomplishments, but are they really “**awesome**” achievements? What human has formed a simple blade of grass or created a corn or wheat seed? What human has hung a galaxy in space or formed a planet? What man has created light or water or any life form? There truly is only One who is “**awesome**.” His name is **GOD**. He is the One who gave every individual we label “**awesome**” the ability to excel. Their very existence is from Him.

The dictionary defines “**awesome**” as “extremely impressive or daunting, inspiring great admiration, apprehension, or fear as in the awesome power of the atomic bomb.” Some synonyms are breathtaking, amazing, stunning, astounding, astonishing.



How can we compare what a man has done to what the Creator has done? No one will be able to stand before God and boast at who they are, what office they held, how wealthy they were or what great human achievement they accomplished. All these things are but wind and dust in light of eternity.

There is a growing number who deny the existence of God. Their denial does not define reality. Their disbelief does not negate the existence of the Creator. The great stumbling block for those who deny that an **awesome** Creator God does exist is the origin of life. How did life begin? We know the first **LAW**, not theory, of biogenesis is that life comes only from life. The eternal God who is life and the source of life verifies that **LAW**. Life did not spontaneously generate. And of course, if life from another planet seeded life here on earth, the obvious ensuing question is, “What is the origin of that life form?”





We may be in awe of someone with incredible intellect, but what is the source of that ability? We are reminded by Paul in Romans chapter 1 that it is often intellect that hinders a heart of faith. "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools." Nobel prize winner, George Wald said, "I do not want to believe in God. Therefore I choose to believe in that which I know is scientifically impossible, spontaneous generation leading to evolution."

The finger prints and design of God are everywhere to be seen by anyone who looks with an open mind and heart. Maybe the next time we use the term "**awesome**," we should be reminded of the one who truly defines the word, **Creator God**.



## THE RIGHT TO LIFE

Abortion (the right to death) never has been a legitimate constitutional right. God did not grant us the right to take innocent life. There is no statement found in our U.S. constitution regarding abortion. The right to life is God-given, not a right granted by any human government. Our constitution simply acknowledges this truth. Abortion denies that basic right. Our founding fathers would never have considered the taking of innocent human life as a personal preference a constitutional right. Abortion is the denial of the right to life of an innocent voiceless baby (female or male). The death penalty (abortion) has been legalized to end the lives of millions of innocents, because of the immoral decisions of adults (mother, father, medical provider). We decry godless nations in history past that encouraged the sacrifice of babies to false gods like Baal. How have the actions of our nation been any different, sacrificing children on the altar of convenience?

Tears of anger and frustration are being shed because of the recent Supreme Court abortion ruling (to send the decision back to the states). Where are the tears for the unborn who are destroyed? People cry because sections of forests are being clear cut (trees are replanted) and for the potential extinction of a fish or bird while whole heartedly supporting the murder of a child. Crush and eagle egg, get caught and see what happens. Kill puppies or kittens in the womb and let your neighbors find out. There will be consequences. The logic of destroying human life eludes me. The only corresponding argument is that some believe there are too many humans on earth and that it is humans who are destroying our planet. If that is true, maybe those who hold this view should be the first to volunteer to "check-out" and make room for more spotted owls. The Genesis 1:28 creation mandate still holds true, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill up the earth."



## UNLOCKING THE MYSTERIES OF GENESIS PRESENTED BY INSTITUTE FOR CREATION RESEARCH



If you are in the Spokane area this seminar will be held at  
**Fourth Memorial Church, 2000 N Standard, Spokane, WA**

Friday, October 14—6:30 AM— 9:00 PM

Saturday, October 15— 8:45 AM—5:00 PM

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## Thoughts from Dawna . . . Arguing With A Fool

It's all around you right now. The arguments are running rampant. Whether it's politics, religion, or relationship advice, it seems like you can't get away from it. How do you know when a subject is worth arguing? When is a person open to hearing, understanding, and learning from an opposing viewpoint? The word "fool" appears 36 times in the book of Proverbs. It appears 189 times if you include variants of the word like fools, foolish, and foolishly. It's clear that God's intention is for us to understand some things about a fool. First, it's important to consider that you might be the fool because none of us escapes life without being or behaving foolishly. Although, when you have strong convictions that you know are from God and His Word, can you effectively jump into an argument with someone who's viewpoint is contradictory to what the Bible says?

**Proverbs 18:2 ESV** *"A fool takes no pleasure in understanding, but only in expressing his opinion."*

If you've already determined that a person's viewpoint or opinion is in opposition to God and His Word, you are arguing with a fool. Chances are, you can save your breath.

**Proverbs 29:9 ESV** *"If a wise man has an argument with a fool, the fool only rages and laughs, and there is no quiet."*

I do a lot of "spectator reading" on social media. I have observed many outraged individuals, no doubt typing so fast through their rage that there's hardly time to respect logic, calmness, and deeply held convictions. As I read through the comment thread, it can be satisfying to see responses that are in line with my deeply held beliefs, but there's hardly ever a productive outcome. The people who already agree with each other simply form their respective teams in the comments section. Each group whole-heartedly believes that the fools are on the other side, making the same or similar arguments to support their points. A fool only rages and laughs. It's a waste of time. Just stop.

### WHAT CAN YOU DO TO SPEAK THE TRUTH EFFECTIVELY?

**Proverbs 26:4 ESV** *"Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest you be like him yourself."*

Simply because you have a relationship with God, doesn't always mean that you're living a foolish-free life. Examine yourself first. Spend your time every single day living a life that puts your convictions and deeply held beliefs on display. How do you do that? Get up early, be disciplined, stop demanding what you think you deserve when you don't get the customer service you want. Return your shopping cart to the cart corral in the store parking lot. Pay your bills, don't spend more money than you have and stop spending money on stupid stuff. Don't be a jerk, don't ignore or avoid people when you think they have nothing to offer you. It's an unending list but the point is this; no one is going to listen to or be swayed by a person on their political or spiritual beliefs when their life or home is constantly in ruins. You have far more influence on people when they see the display of your values and beliefs and that those are congruent with the relationship that you say you have with God. The evidence that your life is producing should always come before an argument, especially with a fool.

**1 CORINTHIANS 15:58 STANDING FIRM WITH MY MOM, DAWNA**

### BARNABAS FUND



When needs of pastors and their families become known to us, we try to assist. This may include medical expenses, appliance needs, vehicle expenses, vacation needs, or other unexpected financial burdens. Many of the pastoral families we serve are on a very limited income. With unexpected expenses, there is a definite need. Our **BARNABAS FUND** could use a boost. There are no immediate needs, but it would be great to have more funds available when as become aware of a need. If God directs you, simply let us know you would like your gift used for the "**BARNABAS FUND.**" **GOD USES YOU.**