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IT IS EASY TO FOCUS ON THE DARKNESS THAT FILLS OUR NATION. WE MUST LEARN TO FOCUS ON THE POWER OF THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL THAT LIVES IN THE HEART OF EVERY BELIEVER IN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST. WE MUST THEN TURN THE POWER OF THAT LIGHT ONTO THE DARKENED HEARTS THAT ARE ATTEMPTING TO KEEP TRUTH HIDDEN. DARKNESS CANNOT DEFEAT THE LIGHT. TRUTH WILL ALWAYS WIN. LIES RUN FROM THE TRUTH. DARKNESS IS THE ABSENCE OF LIGHT. LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE.

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)
- July 1—Cedonia Community Church, Cedonia, WA—Community outreach ministry—Hippe
- July/August Country Bible Church, Dusty, WA—Morris/Kennedy
- July 10-15— Teen Camp, Cocolalla Lake, ID
- July 24-28— 9/10 Year Old Camp, Cocolalla Lake, ID
- November 4—ESM Board Meeting, New Hope Bible Church, Spokane Valley, WA

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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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Despite what some deluded individuals in the LGBTQIA+ community shout, men cannot be women. Women cannot be men. Follow the science. Chromosomal differences cannot be altered. Homosexuality is not natural. Follow the science. For those who cannot determine what a women is because he or she is not a biologist let me take you to a kindergartener. They will explain it to you.



Consider, if one generation of humans were all homosexuals, where would the human race be? God designed marriage between a man and a woman. Procreation is God’s design. Union of sperm and egg is the only way a new human life can be formed. Follow the science.

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This is beyond bizarre. And anyone who disagrees or who has a differing opinion is labeled homophobic or hateful. You are no longer free to have a differing opinion. Those who are supposedly inclusive and tolerant are intolerant of those with differing opinions. What exactly is the LGBTQIA+ community proud of? When I think of the word “pride,” one of the first things that comes to mind is Proverbs 16:18 “Pride goes before destruction a haughty spirit before a fall.” Do we need a heterosexual pride month? It may do America well to have a “HUMILITY MONTH.”

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Paul makes the perspective of our Creator very clear in Romans chapter 1. “24 Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. 25 They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen. 26 Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones. 27 In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed shameful acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their error. 28 Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done. 29 They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity . . .”

Don't demand that I ignore the plain truth of scripture. Don't demand that I accept immoral behavior as normal. If those who hold to these abnormal and immoral practices as normal don't want the disapproval of others, then why do they feel compelled to flaunt their life choices? Some say that they don't want others to legislate what they do in the bedroom, then don't boast about what happens in the bedroom. Why does it seem so important to let others know about what should be kept private? Is public approval that important? What about God's approval?

In addition, the idea of biological males competing in women's sports is an affront high school and college women athletes. These same males in some instances are allowed to be in women's restrooms and shower rooms. I do not understand the mind of an individual winning a competition against others who do not have a chance to win. What adult would think it amazing and wonderful to be able to throw a ball further than a seven year old? What runner would be proud of winning a race against a paraplegic in a wheel chair? What honor is there in competing against those who are physically incapable of winning because the playing field is not even? How can one take pride in that?

In a culture of chaos and confusion, I am reminded of the Apostle Paul's warning in 1 Corinthians 14:33 "For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace . . ." We must remember who is the author of this chaos. His name is Satan. He is the source of confusion both in our culture and in the hearts of individuals. It is only the power of the Gospel that can make a difference in the human heart and ultimately in a culture. It is a challenge to keep this in mind.

Romans 1:16 "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes . . ." As Christians, we say we believe this verse, but what are we doing to put the truth of this verse into practice? How is our prayer life impacted? Do we allow the truth of this verse to make us more aware of the lost around us? Are we looking for ways to communicate the truth of the Gospel? None of our arguments will be effective against the confused arguments and angry refrains of those who deny the very existence of God.



Only the Word of God can penetrate the human heart. Romans 1:20 "For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse." There is a price to be paid for ignoring God and excusing sin. Eternity is at stake. The only way to influence a culture of confusion is to apply the truth of the Gospel to one's heart and life. May we seek God for the passion to share the truth with the confused and chaotic hearts of those who ask us of the reason for the hope that we have and to do that with gentleness and respect (1 Peter 3:15).

2 Corinthians 1:11 "You help us by your prayers. . ."

- Pray for our friend, Pastor Kevin Che'n and his wife Janell, as they face Pastor Kevin's dialysis treatments and potential kidney transplant.
- Continue to pray for God to help us plan for the future of ESM and a Timothy to partner with us.
- Pray with our friends at Country Bible Church in Dusty, WA as they seek a new shepherd for their flock.
- Please continue to pray for wisdom and health for our son, George II. He had another recent hospital stay with pneumonia. He is doing okay at this time but has ongoing health challenges.
- I would appreciate your prayer for ongoing physical challenges. At the time of this writing, I am awaiting further testing to see what steps to take to correct a urological issue.
- Pray for the spiritual health of our nation. Only the power of God can change the hearts of men.
- Pray for opportunities this week to share the Gospel with a family member, co-worker or neighbor. How can others hear if we don't share?



Thoughts from Dawna . . . Oops. I Started Worshiping An Idol

I remember sitting in Sunday school as a kid and hearing Bible stories about people in ancient lands who would use tools to pound and shape idols. They were humans who were claiming they could make a god, something that had a human form, make it beautiful, and bow down to worship it.

I thought to myself, "what a bunch of idiots. I would never do that!"

It seemed like such a backward and barbaric thing to do, and I wondered how people at any certain time in history could be so stupid.



Only idiots make idols.

The Bible tells us in **Isaiah 44:9-20** that those who manufacture idols are fools full of stupidity and ignorance. How dumb is it that a person would take a hunk of wood and use half of it to create fire to cook their food and the other half to make a statue that they pray to saying. "Rescue me! You are my god!" (Isaiah 44:20) "The poor, deluded fool feeds on ashes. He trusts something that can't help him at all. Yet he cannot bring himself to ask, 'Is this idol that I'm holding in my hand a lie?'"

So I went ahead and made an idol of my own...



One day, here in my own house in north Idaho, I started carving an idol. I etched and whittled, gave it human beauty, and set it right up as a center piece on the mantle above my fireplace. I thought, "This is great! I can bow down to this masterpiece every morning after I've had my first sips of coffee!" My special graven image was called "my emotions" and I started to worship them every day.

Emotion worship is a human problem. We all do it.

Proverbs 25:28

"Like a city that is broken into and without walls is a man who has no control over his spirit."

Emotion worship might be indirectly about getting angry, crying, or irrational behavior, but the actual problem extends beyond that. The crisis happens when feelings become facts, when you're acting, decision making, and projecting ideas based on how you feel. If I *feel* something about a particular topic or situation, my feelings MUST be true. When I find myself altering course, making decisions, and responding to things because it makes you feel angry, sad, resentful, or even elated, puffed-up, and elevated, that's a huge problem.

So, yah, as it turns out, we are capable of being poor, deluded fools, making idols out of things constantly. I'm just as dumb and barbaric as those people in the Bible when I thought I'd always know better.

Emotion worship leads to stupid Facebook comments, cutting off family members, condemning people who do imprudent sins when we think their sin is dumber than our sin. Emotion worship easily trash talks leaders because in all our infinite wisdom we could do it better. Conversely, emotion worship fills us with happiness leading to elevated personal status. Emotion worship puffs us up with delight and clouds our perspective constantly.

Worshiping emotions rests in the bosom of fools. (Ecclesiastes 7:9) Be guided by the facts of God and scripture. They never change. Ever.