

Announcements

Caleb preaches next Sunday.

May 02-May 08

Worth's class in birthday annex birthday	Thursday Carol and Curtis leave for Oregon Cali's birthday	
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Three birthdays and **no** anniversaries this week.

Campus minister: Caleb Hughes
Youth/young adult minister: Charles Fox
Minister: Curtis Wubbena

April 25, 2021

Contribution: \$735.00 Attendance: 23

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Welcome to the Alpine church of Christ

May 02, 2021





2021 finds a new structure for the Alpine Church of Christ featuring half of the congregation meeting in person and the other half by Facebook Live.

"Ye Which Are Spiritual"

Robert F. Turner

Once a member of a congregation was reported to have been drinking, and seen in public under the influence of alcohol. I was privileged to be present when the elders discussed the problem, and how they might act in keeping with their obligations as shepherds, and to save the wavering brother's soul.

One elder, with great humility, said, "I believe I am the one who should go and talk with him. You see, there was a time, some years ago, when we drank together."

This bishop saw with clarity what many of us never see; or seeing, ignore. To reach a sinner, to correct an error, **understanding** is necessary. Understanding of the truth — of course — but also understanding of the one in error. This doesn't warrant the conclusion that only former drunkards should be elders; but it does suggest the need for all who would correct others to "feel" **with** and **for** them. Sympathy and empathy are not synonymous with condoning.

Christ was "made like unto his brethren" -- "suffered being tempted" -- and therefore encourages us to "come boldly unto the throne of grace." He did not need to sin, but to **understand** man's frailties. (Heb. 2: 11-18; 4:15-16) Concern and compassion are written between every line of the account of the woman taken in adultery, although the sin itself must have been repulsive to the pure Son of God. (Jn. 8:3-11) ("Go, and sin no more.")

"Hate sin, but love the sinner." It's trite, abused; but Oh, so needed!

To All Their Dues

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Charles teaches the adult class next Sunday, May 9.



The Gospel Is Good News

The bad news of sin and the good news of Christ.

Lesson Focus

The central theme of the entire Bible is the good news—the gospel of Jesus Christ. Salvation can come only from the forgiveness freely given to those who repent of their sins and trust in Jesus Christ.

Key Passages

Genesis 1:31–2:4, 3:6–7, 3:21–23, 6:5–8, 8:1, 8:15–17, 11:1–9; Romans 3:19–26, 5:12, 5:18–19; John 1:14–17; 1 Corinthians 15:1–5; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Revelation 21:1–8

Objectives

Students will be able to:

- · Identify the gospel as the central theme of the Bible.
- Explain why the good news makes sense only in light of the bad news.

Memory Verse

2 Timothy 3:16–17 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.