



Ogden Dunes Community Church

The Dunes News

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The Pastor's Pen

Sometime ago I read about students at New Mexico State University attacked by hawks as they were walking to class. The hawks had built nests in the trees by the gym and considered the pedestrians threats to their hatchlings. Several students sustained injuries. One was attacked hard enough to suffer from post-concussion symptoms that included dizziness and nausea.

Have you ever been so wronged that you are filled with deep-rooted anger? In the Bible, Joseph was hated by his brothers to the point that they wanted him dead; instead they sold him as a slave. Joseph suffered much as a result but he held no grudge, hatred nor bitterness towards his brothers. Eventually, God blessed him and he became prime minister of Egypt. Twenty years later, there was a severe famine and his brothers came to buy food from him. What would you have done if you were Joseph? Here are three things to consider:

- Our attitude towards others reveals our genuine attitude toward God.
- Angry reactions do not bring about the righteous results God desires.
- True greatness is found on our attitude to those who wronged us. For it is out of who we are that what we will do will flow.

Joseph wasn't born with a godly attitude. He cultivated it. When he revealed his identity to his brothers, he did so from God's perspective (extended forgiveness) and with great compassion (by God's Grace). He replaced his brothers Hatred with Grace. He did not retaliate with punishment. He responded with truth and generosity.

LINGER OVER THIS TRUTH. Let it lead you to the God of all grace who loves YOU overwhelmingly and wants to forgive YOU unconditionally. Isn't it amazing that Jesus who was despised and rejected would work so hard through His death on the Cross to get us reunited with Him? But that is His Nature...Just think about how much God loves you!! What are you going to do about it? Accept it or Reject it?

Blessings,
Pastor Sewdin

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REFORMATION SUNDAY (October 28th)

The Bible contains the mind of God, the sinfulness of humanity, the way of salvation, the eternal end of unbelievers (hell) and the joy of believers (heaven). Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true and its teachings are absolute. Read it to be wise. It will guide you, encourage you and enlarge your dreams. Christ is its grand subject. The Old Testament is revealed in the New Testament.

If you are hungry at heart, read the Bread Chapter (John 6)

If you are slipping, read the Rock Chapter (Deuteronomy 32)

If you find yourself getting angry, read the Love Chapter (1 Corinthians 13)

If you feel defeated, read the Victory Chapter (Romans 8)

If you are down and have doubts, read the Faith Chapter (Hebrews 11)

If you feel like a loser, read the Conqueror's Chapter (Luke 4)

If you feel fearful, read the Fear Not Chapter (Isaiah 41)

If you feel prideful, read the Humility Chapter (Luke 18)

Feed on God's word as Job said: "I have esteemed the words of His mouth more than my necessary food." (Job 23:12)



PRIMETIMERS NEWS

Please join the Prime Timers Tuesday, October 20, at noon in the church fellowship room for their monthly catered lunch (\$8.00). Mark your calendars and bring a friend. AGE IS IRRELEVANT. Forget the cooking and dirty dishes. Join the group for fellowship and fun!



Wayne Wodrich, inveterate traveler, author and photographer, will present "Taiwan Odyssey". He will detail his recent experiences in Taiwan writing another children's book while weathering a typhoon. Wayne has enthralled Prime Timers with past travelogue presentations.

Reservations for lunch can be made by calling Judy Petrou at 763-2186. Prime Timers meet the third Tuesday of each month except January and February.

October Events

- **Sunday, October 4th is World Communion Sunday.** Come and join us as we share with our brothers and sisters around the world our solidarity at the Lord's Table.

- **Sunday, October 11th is designated: "Invite-A-Friend-Sunday."** What a wonderful opportunity to invite a colleague, a neighbor or a family member.

- **Sunday, October 18th, Brad Harry will be with us.** He is serving as a missionary in Chicago. You just wouldn't want to miss hearing him.

- **Sunday, October 25th is Reformation Sunday.** Come and celebrate with us our great Christian heritage as the Protestant Reformation Period started with Martin Luther and a renewed understanding of the scriptural teachings that "Salvation is a gift of God" and cannot be earned by any other means or way.

Reading Through The Bible in 2015

Here are the Daily Readings for the Month of October:

Oct. 1 Luke 1, John 1:1-14	Oct. 2 Matthew 1, Luke 2:1-38	Oct. 3 Matthew 2, Luke 2:39-52	Oct. 4 Matthew 3, Mark 1, Luke 3	Oct. 5 Matthew 4, Luke 4-5, John 1:15-51	Oct. 6 John 2-4	Oct. 7 Mark 2
Oct. 8 John 5	Oct. 9 Matthew 12:1-21, Mark 3, Luke 6	Oct. 10 Matthew 5-7	Oct. 11 Matthew 8:1-13, Luke 7	Oct. 12 Matthew 11	Oct. 13 Matthew 12:22-50, Luke 11	Oct. 14 Matthew 13, Luke 8
Oct. 15 Matthew 8:14-34, Mark 4-5	Oct. 16 Matthew 9-10	Oct. 17 Matthew 14, Mark 6, Luke 9:1-17	Oct. 18 John 6	Oct. 19 Matthew 15, Mark 7	Oct. 20 Matthew 16, Mark 8, Luke 9:18-27	Oct. 21 Matthew 17, Mark 9, Luke 9:28-62
Oct. 22 Matthew 18	Oct. 23 John 7-8	Oct. 24 John 9:1-10:21	Oct. 25 Luke 10-11, John 10:22-42	Oct. 26 Luke 12-13	Oct. 27 Luke 14-15	Oct. 28 Luke 16-17:10
Oct. 29 John 11	Oct. 30 Luke 17:11-18:14	Oct. 31 Matthew 19, Mark 10				

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October Refreshment Schedule

		<u>Hostess</u>
Sunday, Oct. 4	P,Q,R,S,T	Eileen Woodard
Sunday, Oct. 11	U,V,W,X,Y,Z	Ruth Dyerly
Sunday, Oct. 18	A,B,C,D,E	Lauren DeFauw
Sunday, Oct. 25	F,G,H,I,J	Jacque Nagy

If your last name begins with the letters of the day, please consider bringing something to share for about 8-10 people. The Hostess will be responsible for preparing coffee, setting out refreshments, and cleaning up for that morning. If you are interested in volunteering to be a host /hostess for a future date, please call Sue Squire at 762-1428.



Good Morning

I am God, I will be handling all of your problems.

Please remember that I do not need your help.

If the devil happens to deliver a situation to you

That you cannot handle, do not attempt to resolve it.

Kindly put it in the **SFJTD** (Something for **Jesus** to Do) box.

It will be addressed in **MY** time. Not yours. Once the matter is placed into the box, do not hold on to it or attempt to remove it.

Holding on or removal will delay the resolution of your problem.

If it is a situation that you think you are capable of handling, please consult me in prayer to be sure that it is the proper resolution because **I** do not sleep. Rest my child.

If you need to contact **ME, I AM** only a prayer away.