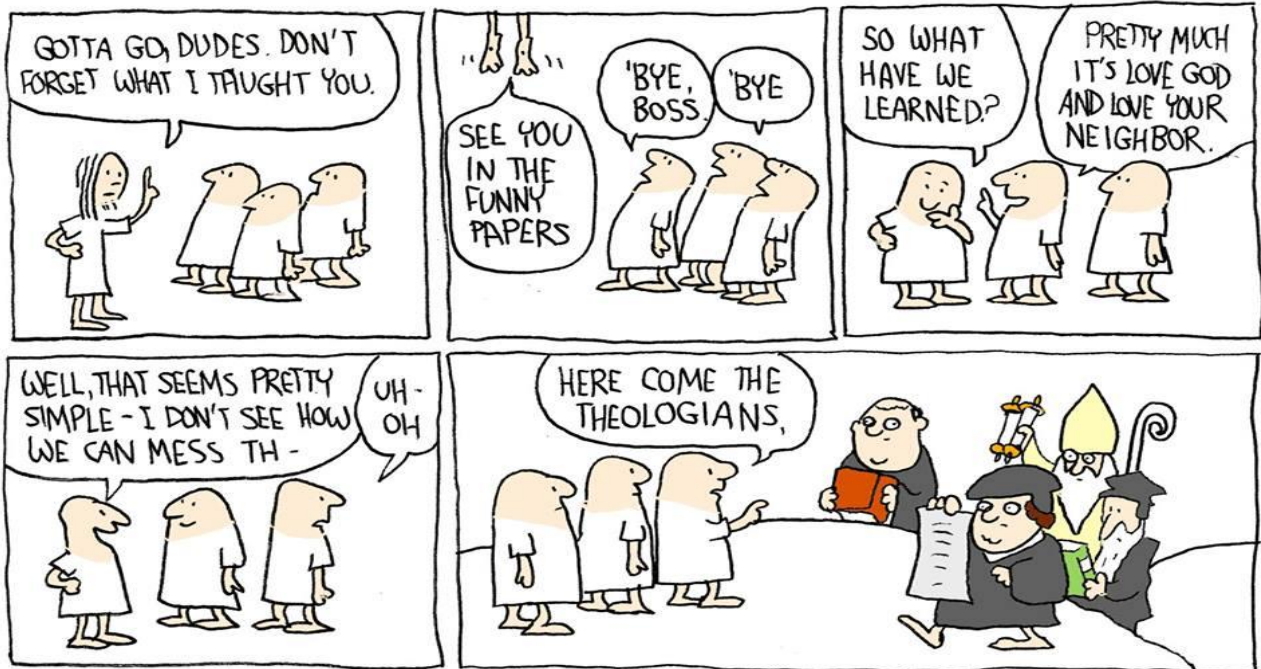

Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

September 26, 2021



Jesus chose apostles from a variety of backgrounds. The four fishermen are the ones we think of first, but there was also Simon the Zealot, from a radical group that favored violent resistance to the Romans, and Matthew, a tax collector, who was considered to be a collaborator with the Romans. We don't know the occupations of the other eight, but we do know that there is no evidence of anyone who would have been considered a theologian or religious teacher.

If we consider ourselves teachers or theologians at any level, there is one word that will keep us centered: love. Any 'deeper' knowledge that does not help us to love Jesus and love others out of love for Jesus is dangerous even if it might be true. Pride in our knowledge is a tool in the enemy's hands!

-Mark

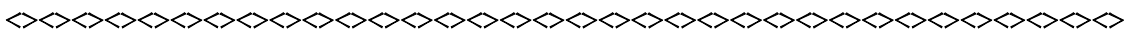


This week's lesson:

The Upside Down Kingdom

Rejection, Love, Betrayal

Matthew 26:1-16



Children's Bible Hour!

There are now lessons provided for children up to 4th grade in the Fellowship room during the sermon time. If you want to share in the rotation of teachers, let Brenda know.

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LADIES GROUP:

The Ladies Group has begun a new eight-week study called *Making Disciples*, which is being led by Debbie Lowerre. Join them at 11:30 on Fridays in the fellowship room.

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ZOOM meetings are still taking place on Sunday evenings at 6:00 and Wednesdays at 4:30 and 7:00. If you would like to be included, contact Brenda: **email:** brendabixler106@gmail.com **call or text: 661-803-5444**

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Baby Shower!

Victoria's baby shower will be in our fellowship room on Saturday, October 9 at 3:00pm. Bring a package of baby diapers of any size for a chance to win a prize! There is a registry for Victoria and Marcos Belizario on Amazon. Please RSVP to 661-565-1780.

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Church contributions and Manuelito gifts

You can mail checks to: Tehachapi Church of Christ, 1121 W Valley Blvd., Suite I Box 313, Tehachapi, CA 93561, or deliver them by hand at the UPS office without postage.

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The **clothing room** is closed until further notice, so please do not bring any donations until it reopens.

Remember in Prayer:

Lynda Collins's mother passed away last Monday, and her service is tomorrow, September 27, at 9:15am at the Bakersfield National Cemetery in Arvin. There will be a brunch following the service in our fellowship room. Join us to support Lynda and the family if you can!

Cindy's sister, Deb also passed away last Monday morning. Please pray for her husband, Russ, and for the whole family!

Cheryl's grandson **Aiden** has a swollen lymph gland that is worrisome, though it may be caused by something less serious than cancer. **His dad and his younger sister** have had Covid, but have recovered.

Melody Lawson had a cardioversion, and was feeling much better last week.

Victoria Belizario is out of the hospital and on antibiotics, but still has some pain.

Sunnie Adams's mother was home and doing well at last report.

The family of Fernando Sanchez, the Willingham's son-in-law's father, is dealing with difficult issues after his death.

April asks for continued prayers as she works her job in Virginia.

April's friend, **Linda Nunez** is thankful for our answered prayers and asks that we keep praying.

Kirk Stewart's isolation has now been extended to September 30, due to another exposure to a staff member with Covid. **Pat** has moved to Colorado with her daughter, and is now looking for a care facility there for Kirk.

Remember **Bob Rivera, Bob Hanna, and Donna Ricker.**

Joanne Sanders is in a care home. Cards can be sent to her by way of her daughter, Michelle Thompson, 3750 Sutro Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90018

Always remember:

Healthcare workers, first responders, those in law enforcement and the military

(Joseph Budai is returning to Hawaii today.)

The children and staff at Manuelito Navajo Children's Home and families serving in other mission fields.

Remember the homeless, and pray for **Blair** as he works to minister to them.

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Schedule of Weekly Services and other meetings

Sunday

AM Bible Class – 9:30am (Temporarily suspended)

AM Assembly – 10:30am

PM Bible Study – 6:00pm ZOOM (Meeting online)

Monday

Al-Anon is meeting at 7:00pm*

Wednesday

Al-Anon is meeting at noon*

PM Bible Study – 4:30 & 7:00pm ZOOM (Meeting online)

Thursday

Al-Anon is meeting at 7:00pm

Friday

Women's Bible Study Group meets in the Fellowship Room at 11:30am

Alcoholics Anonymous is meeting at 7:00pm*

Saturday

Women's Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at 9:00am*

Alcoholics Anonymous* will resume when possible

*Al-Anon and Alcoholics Anonymous are not direct ministries of the church, but their purposes are supported by the church, and they meet in our Fellowship Room

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Elders: Derek Demus & Bill Willingham

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Elder of the Month:

Derek Demus

What plans might God have for your life?

Jesus personally intervened in the life of Saul on the road to Damascus. Saul had made it his mission to persecute followers of Jesus. A man named Ananias was sent to Saul to tell him that God had very different plans for his life. Ananias said to Saul, "...what are you waiting for?

Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on the name of the Lord." (Acts 22:3-16)

If you might be on the wrong path, it would be our privilege to help you discover God's plans for your life! Ask for a personal Bible study on the Welcome Card, or contact Mark Bixler

| Date | 7/4/21 | 7/11/21 | 7/18/21 | 7/25/21 | 8/1/21 | 8/8/21 | 8/15/21 | 8/22/21 |
|--------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| AM Assembly | 35 | 46 | 35 | 69 | 52 | 35 | 35 | 37 |
| Contribution | \$2780 | \$1430 | \$1595 | \$1566 | \$2393 | \$1715 | \$1465 | \$1510 |
| Manuelito | \$465 | \$50 | \$50 | \$200 | \$50 | \$0 | \$12 | \$0 |