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THE NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR

F Street Youth

SAGE PETERSON, YOUTH DIRECTOR

We're back into the swing of things as F Street Youth started back up on Sept 1st! If your student (6th-12th grade) isn't already involved, we would love to have them join us on Tuesday nights at 7pm.

Our first event of the year is on Sept 13, as the group will be participating in Unite Lincoln. Unite Lincoln is an event for all the youth groups in Lincoln to come together to worship and have fun together as one community! This year's event will be at Lincoln Christian School 4:30p-7:30p and will include speakers Bergen Reilly and Cale Jacobsen from Nebraska volleyball and basketball. More information will be sent out before the event. We hope that your student can join us!

Make sure to pick up the full-year schedule at the front counters, and make sure to join our text alerts by texting "youth" to 877-509-1168. If you have any questions about the schedule, joining the group, or anything regarding F Street Youth, please contact Sage at sage@fstreetchurch.org.

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Farewell for Now

BILL THORNTON, FORMER TEACHING PASTOR

As most of you know (who are reading this newsletter), Marcia and I have decided to retire from our ministry at F Street Neighborhood Church effective August 31st. During the past six years we have been provided with countless memories that we will treasure for the rest of our lives. It has been so meaningful to be partners in the Gospel of Jesus Christ with all of you!

While we can only guess at what the future may hold for us, we have great confidence in the God who holds us (and our futures) in His hands. Please consider these words from the Apostle Peter as our hope and prayer for you, our dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

3 All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation,

4 and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay.

5 And through your faith, God is protecting you by his power until you receive this salvation, which is ready to be revealed on the last day for all to see.

6 So be truly glad. There is wonderful joy ahead, even though you must endure many trials for a little while.

7 These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—though your faith is far more precious than mere gold. So when your faith remains strong through many trials, it will bring you much praise and glory and honor on the day when Jesus Christ is revealed to the whole world.

8 You love him even though you have never seen him. Though you do not see him now, you trust him; and you rejoice with a glorious, inexpressible joy.

9 The reward for trusting him will be the salvation of your souls.

In Christ,
Bill Thornton
Teaching Pastor

Changes to the Elder Team at F Street

JEFF HEERSPINK, LEAD PASTOR

Before we knew that Bill and Marcia would be stepping down from ministry at F Street, the Elders had already begun making some important changes to how our Elder Team is structured.

One of those changes was establishing term limits for Elders. This decision was motivated by two important goals: first, to provide opportunities for other qualified men in our church family to serve as Elders, and second, to help ensure that our leadership continues to benefit from fresh perspectives while maintaining healthy continuity. Prior to this change, Elders served without term limits,

Our Elder Document has always stated that the Elder Team should consist of no fewer than five and no more than seven Elders. It is fact, that larger leadership teams often have greater difficulty making decisions effectively.

When F Street merged with Jacob's Well in 2020, Bill began serving as a Pastoral Elder giving us two Pastoral Elders alongside two Nominated Elders, that number has grown giving us a total of five Elders. Looking ahead, our long-term plan is to have:

- Five Nominated Elders
- One Pastoral Elder

This structure should provide six Elders in total. It also means that not every pastor on staff will necessarily serve as an Elder, while allowing us to add one new Nominated Elder each year. With five-year terms, this creates a healthy rhythm of leadership development, continuity, and regular opportunities for new leaders to serve.

Although Bill's retirement changes our current makeup, it does not change our overall plan. We intend to nominate and add one new Elder for 2027 and another for 2028. This will bring us to our goal of five Nominated Elders before any of our current Elders complete their initial five-year terms.

At the conclusion of a five-year term, an Elder will be required to take at least a one-year sabbatical from serving on the Elder Team before being eligible to serve again.

Elder Nominations

Our Annual Family Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 22. All F Street members are invited to attend.

During this meeting, members will have the opportunity to nominate individuals whom they believe meet the biblical qualifications to serve as an Elder. In the October newsletter, I will share more about the biblical qualifications and responsibilities of Elders.

Learn More

- If you would like to learn more about the role of Elders at F Street, please contact Hollie to receive a copy of the **F Street Elder Document**.
- If you would like to learn more about being a member of F Street, please pick up a **F Street Membership** pamphlet from the back information table or the table by the office entrance.

Current Elders

- Tad Stryker — Nominated Elder
- Trevin Preble — Nominated Elder
- Dan Dallmann — Nominated Elder
- Jeff Heerspink — Pastoral Elder

Celebratory Look at Our Last Block Party

TERRY MARTINEZ, BLOCK PARTY TEAM LEADER

What a glorious joy it is to see our church family in action! When we think about our monthly Block Parties at F Street Neighborhood Church, we think about food, fellowship, prayers, and laughter. But above all, we think about **radical acceptance**—the beautiful reality that says, *"I see you, you see me, and God supports us."*

Our last gathering was a powerful, living testimony of exactly that!

If you were tuned into the weather forecasts, you know the panic started setting in as early as Friday night. The prediction hit a scorching **100 degrees** for Sunday afternoon. Naturally, the concerns started rolling in: What are we going to do? How can we host a community event in dangerous heat?

Moving the party inside was an option, but let's be honest—our indoor space really limits how we can spread out, play, and welcome the neighborhood. It looked like we were stuck between a rock and a hot place.

But last-minute decisions were made, plans were handed over in prayer, and what happened next was nothing short of a miracle. Things worked out **phenomenally because God stepped in!**

Instead of a stifling or cramped afternoon, the day turned into an absolute celebration of community unity. We watched our church body adapt, step up, and serve with joyful hearts. The heat couldn't touch the warmth of the smiles, the sound of the laughter, or the power of the prayers shared across our tables.

A Massive Thank You to Our Team!

An event like this does not just happen, especially with last-minute changes. We want to give a massive shoutout and recognition to:

- Our incredible sponsor and servers at "Arrow" for keeping everything running smoothly.
- Our setup crew who labored out in the elements to build our welcoming space.
- Our cleanup crew who stayed late to leave the basement looking better than we found it.

These once-a-month events are more than just a date on the calendar; they are the catalyst that unifies us as one community under God's care. Through every season and every passing year, our Block Parties continue with one simple vision: Nurturing a table of unconditional acceptance and shared direction, rooted in love—a place where everyone knows they belong.

Be Part of the Miracle: Join Us!

We want to keep this incredible momentum going! If you felt inspired by how our community came together, we invite you to dive in. We are looking for new volunteers for the upcoming month, and we would love for you to join the official Block Party Team. Whether you want to grill, greet, set up, or pray, there is a perfect place for you here.

Thank you to every single person who braved the forecast, rolled up their sleeves, and trusted God to make it happen. See you at the next one!

Contact Terry Martinez 402-519-8091 Email: tmartinez199412@gmail.com

F Street Art: Back to the Garden

JEAN STRYKER, CREATIVE ARTS DIRECTOR

There's a collection of bright colored flowers on F Street's altar with the title, "Back to the Garden." A sheer black scrim hangs in front of the flowers and supports a vibrant serpent with a tempting piece of fruit in its tail. The art is designed to tell the story of God's gift of life, beauty, and relationship in Eden and the tragic loss of those things through sin.

Human history contains endless examples of how much evil people can commit and how willing we are to believe the lie that we can make things right without God. All our attempts end up driving us even farther from that perfection Adam and Eve experienced in Eden, but we can't seem to stop trying to get "Back to the Garden" through our own intellect and abilities.

As the art develops through the next few weeks of our series in Genesis, the break in our perfect relationship with our creator God and the separation it brings will be further illustrated by images of the story of Noah and the great flood.

The great news is that the separation from God that we experience because of sin doesn't have to remain! We can find restoration by putting aside our human attempts to make ourselves "good enough" for God and giving ourselves to the One who is the way, the truth, and the life: God's son, Jesus.

Please contact jean@fstreetchurch.org if you want to know more about the art or about how to get yourself "back to the garden."

Transportation Driver Needed TAD STRYKER, ELDER

The Transportation Team is a vital part of our church. Would you like to join? Friendliness, dependability, steadiness, and good vision are some of the requirements to be a Transportation Team member.

We need to add another driver to our team. Are you willing to drive the church van one to three times a month to allow other people to come to F Street Church?

If interested, please call or text Tad Stryker at 402-802-0597.

NC2 - Nebraska City Neighborhood Church

JEFF HEERSPINK, LEAD PASTOR

Nebraska City is an exciting town of just over 7,500 people. It is home to places like the Arbor Day Lodge and my personal favorite place in town, Mission Field Treatment Center.

For more years than F Street has been in existence, I have occasionally traveled to Nebraska City to preach at ReLeasT, a great little recovery service held at the Life House Chapel. Over the past year, Pastor RJ and Andy have also filled in there following the moral failure of its leader.

In the past few months, we have been asked to help shepherd the work there, or maybe the best way to say it is that we have been asked to help start a new church with a small core of committed Christ followers who are passionate about seeing the work continue.

This small gathering has already had more than 20 people in attendance and is currently meeting at **Mission Field's Outpatient Facility, 218 N. 14th Street in Nebraska City, on Saturdays at 4PM.**

The Elders of F Street have agreed to continue this work and see how God leads as we seek to replicate the vision of F Street: to be a place of Acceptance and Direction. We have affectionately titled this new work NC², Nebraska City Neighborhood Church.

This is an exciting season for us as we launch the F Street Second Service on Sunday evenings as a separate congregation while also beginning this new work in Nebraska City.

We would love to have you join us at NC² on any given Saturday. We would also ask you to pray for this work as we seek God's direction and begin identifying and developing leaders for the ministry.

If you would like to learn more or have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Pastor Jeff or Pastor RJ.

Your Local Coaching Team

TRANSFORMED LIFE COACHING

Have you heard about TLC (Transformed Life Coaching)? You may have heard announcements referencing this coaching ministry or seen our logo around the church and the large brick building next to Casey's on 13th and E Street. Many of you may already be familiar with the work going on, but for those who are not, please read on to learn more.

What is coaching?

It is an ongoing conversation about how the Holy Spirit is working in you and the changes that are on your heart to make. It is about discovering insight, and drawing out what is already happening on the inside and turning it into action. It is a commitment to growth and change, and the work that goes into making those things happen.

Coaching is NOT:

Therapy, mentoring, training, or authoritarianism. YOU know yourself best, your coach is there to help you on the path to new habits and thought patterns.

We are a ministry of F Street Neighborhood Church and are available to you at no cost. One of our coaches, Terry, will tell you it's not at "no cost" because it will cost you the time and energy it takes to make lasting change. God invites each of us to make those changes that help us live out His call for our lives. Coaching is one tool the Holy Spirit can use to help us move forward in that process.

We are a team of 12 coaches that are committed to serving F Street and our community through faithful coaching. Does this sound like something you'd like to find out more about? Don't hesitate to call us at 402-802-4955 or email us at TLC@FStreetChurch.org.

News from the Lincoln School of Ministry

BILL THORNTON, TEACHING PASTOR

The Lincoln School of Ministry is excited to offer a six-week course that provides a peek into the world of the Old and New Testaments: An Introduction to the Culture and Language of the Bible.

This class will transport you back in time and give you a glimpse into the culture of those who walked with Jesus. We will begin by examining the nuances of the honor-shame culture in which Jesus lived, and we'll see how that cultural lens can give us a better understanding of God's Word. We will then dive into an introduction to Hebrew and Greek, offering students a brief look into the beauty and basic structures of the Bible's two primary languages.

Classes will be meeting on Monday nights, and will begin on September 14th from 7-9 pm. There is no cost for the class, but we would like to know you are coming so that we have enough materials prepared. For more information or to register, please contact Bill Thornton at whthornton1957@gmail.com. LSOM classes will be meeting at 8215 Northwoods Drive, Suite 300.



**Sunday
2 PM
to
4 PM
Atlas office**

Mentor Training



Atlas: Lincoln

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN
WALKING WITH THE HURTING IN
OUR CITY?

ATLAS EXISTS TO SERVE THE
PEOPLE OF LINCOLN THROUGH
LOCAL, INTENTIONAL, AND
RELATIONAL CHRIST-BASED
PEER-SUPPORT.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 says, "Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor. If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up."

Join us for a hands-on workshop to learn a simple framework for loving our neighbors when they fall down.

Interested in helping someone? Interested in making a new friend? Feel a burning passion to be a good neighbor?

Think about becoming a mentor with Atlas: Lincoln! Brody, Executive Director, is hosting a Mentoring Training on September 27th, 2026, from 2PM - 4 PM at the Atlas office!

No one needs to do it all

JEFF HEERSPINK, LEAD PASTOR

There is excitement in the air for me. We have started two new services, ministries are beginning again, and while there is sadness in the departure of Bill and Marcia, it has also been exciting to see new people stepping up.

I know not everyone gets as excited about new things as I do. Being self-diagnosed with ADHD probably helps with that! And, to be honest, I have concerns about everything happening too. I have never wanted to lead the church beyond what it can, or should, do.

But I also see God's provision. He has been faithful to us through everything we have started. In fact, I see far more now than when we first began. I do not want us to become complacent or lukewarm, or to stop stepping out in faith when God calls us forward.

I continue to hold to the vision that we are here in this neighborhood to share the gospel hope of Jesus Christ with everyone, but especially with those who call this area home, whether by choice or not.

My hope is that each of you not only enjoys watching what God is doing here at F Street, but that you are also plugged into a Team or some other area of ministry where you can use your spiritual gifts and passions to serve others.

But know this: **no one needs to do it all**. You cannot, and should not, attend every service or every event listed on the half sheet. Instead, step into the things that interest you, help you grow spiritually, and give you opportunities to serve others in the name of Jesus.

I am excited about what is ahead, not because we simply want to do more, but because we want to faithfully follow where God is leading us.

Introduction to Coaching Workshop

Practical Coaching Skills
for Christian Leaders



Lead conversations
that inspire lasting change.

Whether you're a pastor, ministry leader, mentor, peer support specialist, or anyone who leads people, this interactive workshop will equip you with practical coaching skills you can begin using immediately.

Coaching is about
people.
Transformation is
the goal.



Listen deeper
Ask better questions
Empower change
Make an impact

You'll learn how to:



Listen actively so
others feel you
understand them.



Ask powerful
questions that
initiate a change of
thinking.



Generate feedback
that avoids
defensiveness.



Design action steps
that will actually be
accomplished.



Follow-up to
increase learning
and accountability.

Workshop Details



Live on Zoom



Thursdays

October 8, 15, 22 & 29, 2026



6:00 – 9:00 PM (Central)



Standard Registration

\$150

Scholarships available.

Prepare for the workshop!

It is highly recommended that participants read **The Coach Model for Christian Leaders** by **Keith Webb** before attending.

Questions? Email Beth@fstreetchurch.org



Register Today!

Scan the QR code or visit:

[transformedlifecoaching.ticketspice.com/
october-2026-workshop](https://transformedlifecoaching.ticketspice.com/october-2026-workshop)

Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats - Part 2

JEFF HEERSPINK, LEAD PASTOR

I personally want to thank each of you who participated in Part 1 of the F Street SWOT process on July 12. It has been great to work through the data, and I love that our church is taking the time to set goals that will continually improve and strengthen our ministry. Your input is valuable and greatly appreciated.

On September 20, we will gather again to help refine and prioritize the most significant things that emerged from the data. If at all possible, please make plans to join us for this 45-minute meeting immediately following the morning worship service.

I hope you will be part of the process as we continue working together to strengthen F Street and follow where God is leading us.

Thanks,

Pastor Jeff

Art Chapel Open Studio Hours

WILLOW BERNADT, ART CHAPEL DIRECTOR

As the seasons begin to change, so are our Open Studio hours! Starting in September, Open Studio will continue to meet every Monday, with new hours from **4–7 PM**.

Begin your week with a little more color, creativity, and community! Whether you're working on a project, trying something new, or simply looking for a creative space to unwind, The Art Chapel is open for you.

We can't wait to create with you!

F Street Farms

RICHARD WEHMEYER, F STREET FARMS DIRECTOR

Over the summer, the F Street Farm has provided opportunities for the people of F Street Church to come gather on the land, experience the beauty of the farm, and hear about how we might grow in the knowledge of the Lord through farm labor. After all, “the Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it” (Genesis 2:15). By the way, these opportunities are present and ongoing as God wills it!

There have been some wonderful lessons borrowed from CRC Pastor Don Byker that emphasize the way God designed humans to “work and care for growing things”. He teaches that if God was the original Gardener, and He created humans in His likeness, then we share in His heart for His creation by taking part in this kind of work.

Now, for a couple of prayers shared at Farm nights:

- “Thank you for the wonderful purpose, our labors, community, and a natural world for us to interact with, interpret, cultivate, and appreciate. Help us to take delight in our daily work and caring for those around us. We look forward to your new heavens and new earth and residing with You, the original Gardener. Help us to praise you and carry out your blessed labors!
- Thank you for this world full of your creation. Thank you for the work to be done, as it reflects Your work in our own lives that we more often than not overlook and take for granted. Help us to see our frustrations, shortcomings, and other hardships for what they are...opportunities and reminders to turn to You and heighten our dependence on and appreciation for You.”

Folks who have come out to work have been encouraged to look for interpretive moments in their labors on the farm; those that reveal His power, beauty, and nature as our Nurturer.

Come and see what God may have for you to learn at F Street Farm. Watch announcements for work days and reach out to richard@fstreetchurch.org with any questions.

It Matters: Generosity is loving your neighbor“hood”

JEFF HEERSPINK, LEAD PASTOR

A short series of articles on the importance of giving.

When an expert in religious law asked Jesus what he must do to inherit eternal life, Jesus responded with a question: "What does the Law of Moses say? How do you read it?"

The man replied with what Jesus called the two greatest commandments: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind" and "Love your neighbor as yourself."

Giving is one of the most practical ways we live out that second commandment. It is a tangible expression of loving our neighbor as ourselves.

Many church budgets are consumed by two major expenses: staffing and building loans. At F Street, however, we have been uniquely blessed. Although we have a large ministry staff, our staffing costs remain low because each of our ministry staff members raises 50% of their support through fundraising. In addition, we have no building loan because this facility was given to us through the generosity of others.

As a result, more of your giving goes directly into ministry, into loving our neighborhood through programming, hospitality, outreach, and meeting practical needs. In fact, 10% of all local giving is designated specifically to help people in need within our community. We even employ a benevolence director, Humza Iqbal, whose role includes helping identify needs and ensuring those resources are distributed well through caring relationships.

As we consider giving an expression of loving our neighbor, we want it to be more than something we do as a church. We hope and pray it becomes a defining characteristic of our lives as followers of Jesus.

When you encounter someone in need, are you willing to help? Are you willing to help when it costs you something, your time, your energy, your convenience, your resources, or your money?

Loving our neighbors has always required sacrifice. Yet it is through that sacrifice that we reflect the love of Christ to others.

May we continue to be generous people, using everything God has entrusted to us to make a difference in the lives of those around us and to point them toward Jesus.

Missionary Corner

Prayer

Requests

If you have any prayer requests, please fill out the back of the communication card or come up to the front after church service.

Up to Date

To keep information up to date, please fill out a communication card or email Hollie at hollie@fstreetchurch.org

Email

Updates

To be added to regular email updates about the church, email fstreetchurch@gmail.com

8/1/26 - The Walhofs

Life overseas requires planning and flexibility in equal measure. In our personal and professional lives, we try to plan for every possible contingency, and then practice patience and perseverance when even our most imaginative "what ifs" do not prepare us for reality. It's a balancing act, doing what we can to look out for ourselves, our community, our patients and our students, while trusting God to be in control of the outcomes.

In our first attempt at "Home Ministry Assignment" (furlough, Sabbatical, home leave), our family is aiming to take a swing toward the other extreme. We arrived in Montana early Friday morning, July 24, and almost immediately departed for a family reunion at a mountain lake.

Now we're settling into a generous neighbor's home for the next few weeks, anticipating time to get caught up on "life admin" and to start thinking ahead to our transition to Seattle and the start of Dominic's school year. And after that? God knows! Without trying to sound glib or irresponsible, we are truly looking forward to the opportunity to support Dominic as he enters this new challenge of Middle School in a brick and mortar school; we are reveling in the opportunity to say "yes" to invitations and opportunities to spend time with family and friends, and we are getting excited about the opportunities for personal and professional development that we might be able to pursue.

As we near the start of school, please pray that Dominic would have patience, confidence, and humility in equal measure, and that he will develop deep and easy friendships with his classmates at Shoreline Christian School. Please pray for Kris and Kim to have the wisdom to support and encourage him well, and for us as we send him off to school for the first time in seven years!

With love from MONTANA for now,
Kristopher, Kim, and Dominic Walhof

8/17/26 - The Howells

Dear friends,

Hello again after 6-weeks off from writing. "Seemingly suddenly" we are in the middle of August, deep in preparations for the new academic year: trainings to lead, and new staff and faculty to welcome to LCC International University, preparation for all the students who will soon be on campus. Meanwhile, our kids are not yet back in school, childcare is limited, and everyone feels the transitions in different ways.

Although August can be challenging with much to navigate, August offers new beginnings. Beginnings offer renewed hope and thankfulness for the ways God enables us to do what he has called us to do.

Please **pray with us** over the upcoming academic year – that we might be attentive and responsive to God's direction for this year. LCC has a new president and people are optimistic about the future, despite current challenges. **Pray that** LCC will thrive and advance under this new leadership. We filled all Student Life vacancies, including a last-minute Resident Director hire. **Praise God** for answered prayers, and **pray for** their team: for unity and effectiveness in vision and efforts. During the summer we moved to a new house and have made it home. **Praise God** for the clear ways that he guided us to this house and made it possible for us to purchase it. **Other prayers:** September 1, Joshua will start preschool at Miško with his siblings. Preparations for new student orientation. Preparations for Michelle's classes.

Thank you for standing with us and praying, **the Howells**

September 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
10:30am - Sunday Service 5 pm - Evening Service	<u>2 Cor 9</u> 3-8pm - Open Studio	<u>2 Cor 10</u> 6:30am - Prayer 7pm - Youth Group	<u>2 Cor 11</u> 6:30pm - Celebrate Recovery	<u>2 Cor 12</u> 5:30pm - FoodNet 6:30pm - Young Adults	<u>2 Cor 13</u>	
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Birthdays

1st - Thomas Bornemeier
2nd - Devin Diorio
3rd - Miriam Connett
4th - Carylton Gable
 Ella Mann
 Jasmine Askew
6th - Ryan Shannon

7th - Wayne Wingate
 Barry Sloan
 Sherry Carter
9th - Amy Peterson
 Allen Hayward
10th - Allen Anderson
13th - Hollie Sell

14th - Kevin West
16th - Troy Brumbaugh
17th - Marcus McClain
18th - Ricky Michel
19th - Brenda Barton
22nd - John Knapp
26th - Elia Heerspink

Anniversaries

20th - Julia & James Soule



HEART & HOME

SEPTEMBER '26

PURPOSE We want to help parents and kids create Jesus-sustained **Hearts** so that when families leave church, it can be the same at **Home**.

MEMORY VERSE

"I am the vine; you are the branches."
John 15:5

F STREET YOUTH

F Street Youth OFFICIALLY starts on Tuesday, September 1st, from 7 PM - 8:30 PM. The Youth Leaders are excited to hang out, teach, play games, and have fun with your kids! F Street Youth includes 6th Graders through 12th Graders.

VOLUNTEER BLURB



Hello, my name is Reise Sallinger, and I am currently enrolled in the Paramedic Diploma Program at Southeast Community College. Outside of school, I enjoy CrossFit and spending time with my family and friends. I began volunteering in the nursery when I attended Jacob's Well and continued serving in the nursery after the merger with F Street Church. Volunteering has always been an important part of my life and I will continue volunteering wherever God takes me! Bonus pic off of my iPod of me and Evelyn during the evening service.



MEMORY VERSE DEVO

One of my favorite parts about the summer in the midwest is getting to see the corn grow taller and taller till it's time for harvest. The farmers pour time, energy, and resources into getting the most from their crop. The process can be long and challenging, but requires patience and faith.

Jesus (the vine), much like the farmer, continually pours into us (the branch), looks out for us, and protects us so that we may bear good fruit. Without Him we're unable to do so. But we have a savior that loves us continually and wants to see us grow! Harvest season is right around the corner so I will leave you with this question... what is Jesus growing and preparing you for?

RECOMMENDATION

Book: **"The Duties of Parents" by J.C. Ryle**

Learn how to shepherd your children, how to utilize the most significant key of all – love, and first and foremost how to present and represent Christ to your children. As you read this book, expect to find yourself both challenged and excited to begin a wonderful, appropriate, and growing relationship with the most wonderful gift God can give us in our lifetime – our dear children.

THIS MONTH LESSONS

JOURNEY GROUP:

Sep 6: A is for Adopted (Rom 8:15)
Sep 13: B is for Branch (Jn 15:5)
Sep 20: C is for Citizen (Phil 3:20)
Sep 27: D is for Dwelled-in (Eph 3:17)

YOUTH GROUP:

Sep 1: First Night
Sep 8: Book of James (Hearing)
Sep 15: Book of James (Speaking)
Sep 22: Book of James (Wisdom)
Sep 29: Book of James (Prayer)

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. What did you learn about?
2. Was there something you didn't understand?
3. How can you share this with others?

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