

JULY 23, 2019

Journey Enews

Things to Know:

Tuesday Night Men's Group will resume meeting July 23rd at the Starbucks in Georgetown

Interested in joining a small group? Ask Bobby, Bryan, or our elders to get connected!

This weekend we wrap-up our series called "GeneroUS" Join us for one of our two services listed below!

Join us next weekend as we begin a new series called "Encounters With Jesus"

Journey Community Christian Church
Service Times:
Saturday @ 6 PM
Sunday @ 10:30 AM

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Unexpected Pleasure

For the last ten days or so, Kentucky has been having August-like weather in June. The rain dried up and the heat and humidity have taken over. This sudden flip from pleasant spring temperatures to oppressive summer heat has brought to my attention the fact that the air conditioner in my car needs repairing. I have been driving most of this time with my windows rolled down and hunting for a shady spot to park. Yesterday I drove away from the repair shop with my AC on full blast. I couldn't help but smile as I enjoyed the miracle of refrigeration once more!

I recently wrote about how people (myself included) often overlook certain pleasures that have become normalized over extended periods of time. Today, I took that thought one step further while walking through our building at Journey. Our Youth Minister was telling me that the video projector we had given up for dead months ago was now suddenly operating.

Apparently, while he was doing some computer work in the tech booth, he decided to flip on the power button for the old projector just for kicks. Presto! The old machine suddenly sprang to life like magic. What a treat it was discovering new life in this old, forgotten piece of technology. It felt like a miracle.

These two random events – days without an air conditioner in my car and an old video projector springing to life – these "wow, that's nice" moments, gave me a renewed perspective on what God must feel each time something lost is found. I believe when people who get lost, misplaced or forgotten get discovered and find life again, it brings great pleasure to God.

I believe this is what the apostle and author Luke was referring to in the Bible when he wrote about the Lost Sheep, Lost Coin and Lost Son. You may want to read these stories again of Jesus' heart for things lost and given up for dead. Here is a snippet from those three short stories of discovery: "In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents." Luke 15:10 NIV

I'm no scientist and do not claim to have some special grasp on all things in the known universe. I do, however, believe quite strongly that the one true God of the Bible takes great pleasure in His heart for people who were once given up for dead by most, somehow finding new life and purpose.

How does God feel about you and me, when, after great effort by others, we are found and brought "home" again? It must feel something like what I felt this week seeing my car air conditioner and the old video projector spring to life again. It's a miracle. Nice, really nice... You, me, and God. It's a miracle!

Moving Forward
God is Good

Bobby D.

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