

About Last Month

We had our first FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP event and what a great turnout! This will be a monthly event, so if you missed out last month make sure you don't miss this month's event!

Hallelujah Night. Family Fun Fair was so much fun! Everyone had a blast dressing up and playing games...also all the goodies!



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Pastor's Corner

In One Ear and Out the Other

By Pastor Brad

Three friends decided to go deer hunting together: a lawyer, a doctor, and a preacher. As they were walking, along came a big buck. The three of them shot simultaneously. Immediately the buck dropped to the ground and all three rushed up to see how big it actually was. Upon reaching it they couldn't determine whose shot had actually killed the deer.

A heated debated ensued, and a few minutes later a game officer came by and asked what the problem was. The doctor told him that they were debating who shot the buck. The officer took a look at the buck and within a few seconds, he said with much confidence, "The preacher shot the buck!" They all wondered how he knew that so quickly. The officer said, "Easy. The bullet went in one ear and out the other."

This joke gently makes fun of preachers, but it actually illustrates a more serious challenge to all of us who are listeners. As I listen to God's Word (as I read it or hear it preached), do I really "hear" it, or does it simply go in one ear and out the other? Do I truly hear God's word and his message specifically for me, or do I let it pass through without transforming me in any way? Reflect on the following scriptures:

·2 Timothy 3:14-17: "But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is Godbreathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

·Psalm 119:97-99: "Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long. Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are ever with me. I have more insight than all my teachers, for I meditate on your statutes."

Joshua 1:8: "Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful."

Here is the challenge we need to respond to on a regular basis: will we have eyes that see, ears that hear, minds that comprehend, and wills that obey the Word of God? Let's continually remind ourselves that, as Psalm 1:2 says, the person whose "delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night" is the person who is blessed. Let's continually remind ourselves that we must not and we will not allow God's Word to go in one ear and out the other. Let's continually remind ourselves that we need God's Word to truly impact and transform us.

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