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What Makes a Good Bible Student?

"Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so." (Acts 17:11)

What was unique about the people in Berea? Their willingness to search the Scriptures daily is often highlighted, but knowledge of the Bible alone does not make a person a good Bible student. The Pharisees knew the Bible well. Satan knows Scripture and quotes it. People can know the Bible and misuse it. The character of the Bereans is what sets them apart from those in Thessalonica and other places.

The passages in the New Testament about false teachers focus on character more than teaching. When Paul writes to Titus, he describes individuals who are "teaching for shameful gain" and "profess to know God, but...deny him by their works" (Tit. 1:11, 16). Peter mentions teachers who "follow their sensuality" and are greedy (2 Pet. 2:1-3). When Paul warns the Ephesian elders about false teachers who will later come, he reminds them of how he has lived among them (Acts 20:17-35). The main difference between Paul and the false teachers is one of character.

Good Bible students are honest and have pure motives. They will accept a text's teaching even if it requires sacrifice or change. Their goal is to discern the will of God and apply it to their lives. They are not double-minded. They do not have other allegiances that influence their understanding of a passage. They will not explain away a passage because it goes against their traditions, politics, or desires. They seek first the kingdom of God and do their best to live out the teachings of Jesus. They do more than know the Bible. They meditate on it. They submit to it and humbly accept what it says. They do not use Scripture as a weapon. Their use of the Bible reflects the love of God. They do not use Scripture to get what they want. They understand the word of God is not to be manipulated. It is holy and should be handled in such a way that reflects its message.

The best Bible students are not the ones who know everything. They are the ones who deeply love God and are committed to living like Jesus.

- Scott Elliott

Financial Peace University

Are your finances not working? Dave Ramsey has a seven step Plan called Financial Peace University that will change your financial life and your outlook on the money that you have and will have.

We will be starting a financial peace class on March the 20th at 6:15 p.m. at our church building. If this is for you, please talk with Trent or Darrell and sign up!

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Our Prayer List

- Please keep Dale Sanders' niece Genni Stone who is at 24 weeks carrying twins and concerns are she may deliver early. She is home but carefully being observed. Pray for the babies and their loved ones.
- Pray for Neda Herbert, who is receiving heart treatment.
- Pray for Nancy Armenta's sister Ida who is recovering at Swedish Hospital from an aneurysm.
- Pray for Alyssa, our new Sister in Christ.
- Continue pray for to Michael and his medical issues. Please pray for him to have faith and trust in abundance in his new adventure with God.
- Pray for Jon Powless' foot. He will have the surgery on his foot, but the date isn't set. It should be within the next month.
- There are a lot of illnesses currently in our area. Pray for quick healing for all those who are suffering, and for safely for all those suffering in the cold weather.
- Pray for our Deacons and their families: Josh Bedford, Dan Gross, Roger Taylor, Fuzzy Volpitta, and Gary White. Floyd Whitlock, Cisco Velez.
- Pray also for our Elders and their families:
- Gary Chasteen, Darrell Fry, Bob McDaniel, Brad Orser, Dave Snypp & Greg Warner.
- Trent and the many missions within our congregation as we work toward God's plan for us.



PRAYER

Delano Bay Christian Camp

Registration is now live! Register for camps or Spring Retreat online, today! We are going to have limited space this year because of only having three camps. We will have enough space for 30 girl campers and 30 boy campers at each camp, so make sure you get registered early!

Spring Retreat 2024 (7th-12th Grade) - May 3rd-5th

DBCC Family Day 2024 - June 1st time TBD

STS (8th-12th Grade) - June 30th-July 5th

1st-3rd Grade Camp - July 7th-10th

YTS (4th-7th Grade) - July 21st-25th



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- To find our most current Bulletin, Order of Worship, & Worship Leader Schedule,
- Go to <http://pococ.weebly.com/> then click on Bulletins & Newsletters.
- Current Event Calendar - Click on News & Events.
- Live stream of worship services on YouTube Channel - Previous video recordings, too:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAKOYw7JOR9ZIQ then click on the desired video.

Please subscribe to be notified when new videos post or when we go live.

Sunday Worship March 17, 2023 (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon) (Children’s church is this week. Children will be dismissed after communion) Watch live-stream or after our worship time: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAKOYw7JOR9ZIQ					
February Servers – Brian Bungart Elijah Herbert Dan Gross Terry Bratcher					
Speaker: Trent Herbert	Singing Darrell Fry	Scripture: Trent Herbert	Prayer: Ian Steele	Communion: Fuzzy Volpitta	Offering: Fuzzy Volpitta
9:30 am Adult Class: Auditorium Led by Trent Herbert			Children Class: Downstairs Two Classes: children and pre-teen		
Call Laura Fry or the Church Office (360-876-2604) for Zoom Meeting ID					
Men’s Fellowship Downstairs Fellowship Room Tuesdays - 10:00 am			Ladies in the Word Upstairs Overflow Room Tuesdays - 10:00 am		
Bible Class & Prayer Colossians (in person or on Zoom) Wednesdays: 5:00 - 6:00 pm			Ladies Prayer Group LaDonna's home – 10:00 am		
Port Orchard Church of Christ 4135 Carr Lane SE Port Orchard, WA 98366 360-876-2604 - churchpococ@gmail.com			March 10, 2024 - Tithes & Offerings – \$ 2,650.00		
			If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104		

Communion and Tithes & Offerings

The bread and fruit of the vine will be served during our communion time. You also have the option to pick up your communion supplies as you enter the auditorium. It contains both the juice and the bread.

There are also a few options for giving your tithes & offerings:

The collection box is in the foyer at the entrance to the auditorium.

Online bill-pay with your bank or credit union. Your bank will mail your check for you.

Mail your tithe/offering check directly to the Church address below. We have a lock mailbox.

Happy Birthday!

March 2024: Brad Orser – 12, Troy Hill – 15, Darrell Fry – 25, Roger Taylor – 31.

April 2024: Jim Snead – 6, Jacob Hammock – 10, Brandon Karn – 10, Rick Velasco – 13, Misty Hammock – 15, James Greer – 17.

It is Well With My Soul

Verse 1

When peace like a river
Attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot
Thou hast taught me to say
It is well; It is well with my soul

Chorus

It is well with my soul
It is well
It is well with my soul

Verse 2

My sin, O the bliss
Of this glorious thought
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross
And I bear it no more
Praise the Lord; Praise the Lord
O my soul

Verse 3

And Lord, haste the day
When the faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound
And the Lord shall descend
Even so; it is well
With my soul

“Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well.”

3 John 1:2



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