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Newsletter

Staff Outing

This weekend we are going to the Williams residence for the Oxford Independence Day celebration! There will be food, carnival rides, and of course FIREWORKS!

Learn

This week we are talking about the value in learning the Scriptures and why we as Christians need to be constantly learning about who God is and what the Scriptures say.

We are called to continually be learning and should never stop learning while we are on Earth. Are there some critical points along the journey, some very important road markers? Yes, and we want to celebrate: initially surrendering control of your life to Jesus or "becoming a Christian," "inviting Jesus in," or "being born again." But that's just the beginning.

If the progress ends there, if learning ends there, we've got real trouble.

Isn't it interesting that Jesus calls his followers "disciples?" That word literally means "Learners"

When I meet someone and ask them what they do and they respond by saying, "I'm a student," I take that to mean they are engaged in an ongoing process of learning.

They know there's more to see, more to experience, more to understand. They learned stuff yesterday. They're going to learn stuff today. They plan to keep learning tomorrow. They're students.

A disciple is simply a student of a specific person. This is why Christ chose the term "disciple to refer to his followers: it implies the ongoing process of becoming like him, a process that includes learning, a process that never stops.



When was the last time you learned something new about God? How are you growing in your relationship with him, in your understanding of the grace you've been given?

Puritan preacher Jonathan Edwards, considered by many to be the greatest American mind, and a man who studied heaven, taught that we will continually become happier in heaven in "a never-ending, ever-increasing discovery of more and more of God's glory with greater and greater joy in him"

He said there will never be a time when there is "no more glory for the redeemed to discover and enjoy."

There is a simple association between those who consistently experience the power of the resurrection and those who continually learn. It's not about discovering the "new" or the "novel."

It's about walking deeper and deeper into the grace and glory of God.

Christian Meme of the week



*This meme was brought to you by
Chris VanDamme and Ben Ridler :)*

*Want to see your meme in the
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