



Lewiston Church of Christ

February 14, 2021

Weekly Services

Sun. Bible Study 9:45 AM

Sun. Worship 10:45 AM

Sun. Day/Evening Groups

Wed Bible Study 6:30 PM

MINISTER

Joel Solliday: 208-743-2711

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Education – Rick Richardson

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AREAS OF SERVICE

Building – Ken Vogtman

Custodian – Ron & Cindy Roberson

Fellowship – Joe & Carrie Bieren

Grounds – Cody & Doyle Dawes

Music Ministry – Ron Roberson

Secretary – Renee' Hill

Technology – Eric Kjorness

Technology – Cody Dawes



Tireless Teaching

I remember when I could get a one-scoop ice cream cone for a nickel at the local Thrifty Mart. A dime could buy two scoops and 15 cents would get you three. Enjoying ice cream cones on the way home from church became a Sunday family tradition for us.

Of course, in a family of five, if one of us got two scoops, we all had to get two. The phrase, “that’s not fair,” came natural to my brothers and me.

From where does this expectation for justice come? Even small children know it is not right to cut into a lunch line. You don’t have to teach basic fairness to small children. But you do have to teach them how to share with others. You don’t have to teach toddlers how to protest but you do have to teach them how to say “thank you.” You don’t have to teach them how to fib, but it takes tireless training to turn them into trustworthy truth-tellers. What is going on here?

I do not believe sin is biological or that babies are guilty of the sins of their forebears. But I do believe we all have a sin nature. Paul agonized over his fleshly impulses and confessed, “For I know that good does not dwell in me, that is, in my flesh; for the willing is present in me, but the doing of the good is not.” (Romans 7:18). This is why the Christian gospel does not call us to reform ourselves but to die to ourselves!

Sin does not have to be taught to a child, but goodness, generosity, patience, gratitude, and honesty do. They must be tirelessly taught. That’s why our congregation offers Sunday School. That’s why we read Bible stories to our children. That’s why we do not just let children do whatever feels natural. Rather, we take great pains to train them in the ways of God with both our words and deeds. A wise teacher once said;

“Train up a child in the way he should go,
And when he is old he will not depart from it.”
(Proverbs 22:6, NKJV)

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