Welcome:
The membership of Calvary Baptist Church would like to thank you for visiting with us today. We hope that the music and message will be a blessing to you.

There are several ways to learn more about us. Visit our web-site: http://idahobaptist.com. You can also hear our services by going to “Calvary Independent Baptist Church of Post Falls” on Facebook. Also, many of our messages can be heard on “sermonaudio.com/idahobaptist”.

Schedule:
The Oldfields will be in Loveland, CO next week.
Men’s Prayer Meeting – June 20, 6:30 a.m.
Fellowship Sunday – June 21; Services 11 & 1:30.
Spokane Reservation VBS – August 4-7 (???)

What then is the kingdom ...
over which the Lord cares to reign, for he says he came into the world to be a king? I answer, a kingdom of kings, and no other. Where every man is a king, there and there only does the care to reign, in the name of his Father. The Lord cares for no kingdom over anything this world calls a nation. A king must rule over his own kind. Jesus is a king in virtue of no conquest, inheritance, or election, but in right of his essential being. His subjects must be of his own kind, in their very nature and essence kings.

G. MacDonald

Two things make ...
good Christians: good actions and good aims; and though a good aim does not make a bad action good yet a bad aim makes a good action bad, whose justice was approved, but his policy punished."

– T. Brook

Services:
Sunday School – 10:00 a.m. “The Life of David”
Morning Service – 11:00 a.m. Neh. 2:1-3
“Why is Thy Countenance Sad?”
Evening Service – 6:00 p.m. Neh. 2:1-8
“Ejaculatory Prayer”
Wednesday Service – 7:00 p.m.

Is every Christian expected ...
to bear witness? A man content to bear no witness to the truth is not in the kingdom of heaven: One who believes must bear witness. One who sees the truth must live witnessing to it. Is our life, then, a witnessing to the truth? Do we carry ourselves in bank, on farm, in house or store, in study, or room, or workshop as the Lord would, or as the Lord would not?

I do not say we are called upon to dispute and defend the truth with logic and argument, but we are called upon to show by our lives that we stand on the side of truth. But when I say truth, I do not mean opinion. To treat opinion as if that were truth is grievously to wrong the truth. The soul that loves the truth and tries to be true will know when to speak and when to be silent. Jesus defended his kingship, not with argument, logic, or opinion, but rather by the laying down of his earthly life. He bore witness to the truth, not by words, but by the essence of his very being. Thus he is king, today, as he was when he spoke the words to Pilate. And his kingdom is still not of this world.

– G. MacDonald

The man who walks ...
with God must make up his mind to submit even to the jeers of the thoughtless crowd; be pained by its profanity, shocked by its sins, yet never be turned aside from the Christian course by its suggestions.

– W. B. Riley
There come times...

in each life when loneliness overshadows like a cloud, and no one is there to listen and provide counsel. Or perhaps there is some problem so personal and intimate that it seems unfitting or too embarrassing to share with anyone else.

But God will listen! No need is so small, no place too remote, no burden too heavy that He who is the "God of all grace" and "the God of all comfort" (1 Peter 5:10; 2 Corinthians 1:3) will not listen and care. "The LORD will hear when I call unto him" (Psalm 4:3).

Young people sometimes complain that their parents won't listen to them; wives may say their husbands don't listen; sometimes it seems that no one will listen to our questions or ideas about anything. But "the LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth" (Psalm 145:18). Therefore, "pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us. Selah" (Psalm 62:8).

But how can He listen? After all, God is far away upon His throne. The risen Savior ascended far above all heavens to sit down at the right hand of the Majesty on high. How can the Father hear when we whisper a prayer in our hearts that no human could hear?

God is indeed up there, but He is also right here! Jesus said: "It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you" (John 16:7). Our God is a triune God, and He can be both in heaven and in our room and even, as the Holy Spirit, within our very hearts. Of course, "if I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me" (Psalm 66:18). But for those who confess and forsake their sins, "his ears are open unto their prayers" (1 Peter 3:12).

Even the deadly coronavirus...

outbreak did not reduce the speed of the cross-demolition campaign sweeping through China. In mid-March, crosses were removed from multiple churches in the eastern provinces of Jiangsu and Anhui. In the neighboring Shandong, the prefecture-level city of Linyi is no exception: On top of at least 70 crosses removed from churches since last spring, more have been taken down during the epidemic. A member of a church in the city’s Dongshan district told Bitter Winter that a local official threatened to close down the church if the cross was not removed because ‘it was higher than the national flag’

This reminds us of two Bible prophecies. The first is in the Psalms: “Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion” (Psalm 2:1-6).

The second prophecy is in Isaiah: “Enter into the rock, and hide thee in the dust, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty. The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. For the day of the LORD of hosts shall be upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up; and he shall be brought low” (Isaiah 2:10-12).

– “Bitter Winter,” a human rights magazine

Spurgeon’s Proverbs...

Hope and strive are the way to thrive.
Hope may be drenched, but it cannot be drowned.
How will it look in the daylight?
Humility is better than gentility.
Halfway to Christ is a dreadful place.
He is safe who is where God puts him.
He is right who is what God makes him.
He who prizes gifts too much, prides grace too little.
He who accepts a little sin commits a great one.