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<u>Elder Of Month</u>

Tom Deister

Our Sunday Gathering!



Sermon: "Take every thought captive" is one of those great one-liners from Paul. If you read the text carefully you will discover Paul is not telling us what to do, he is telling us what he is doing; and then of course we are compelled to apply it to our own life. Chapter 10 is more of Paul defending his authority as an apostle, but we will focus on one paragraph. See you in 2 Corinthian as we continue our Aroma of Christ series.

Welcome! We added more chairs to accommodate our growing numbers and allowing appropriate spaces between folks. Glad you are here this morning!

We appreciate those of you joining us on our live stream!

"Don't let anything but Jesus distract you." - B. Goff
"Seek first the kingdom of God and all these things will be added to you." - Jesus

Love One Another

Memory Verse for February—2 Corinthians 5:17

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."



Coincidence or coincidence?

I like words. I've always been interested in why we use certain words the ways that we do. Are there better words to use to communicate thoughts and feelings more accurately? Should I change the way I think or feel about certain words when others use them? I ask these questions fairly often. Recently, I was thinking about a word that had such a negative connotation to my mom, that it was almost off limits to utter in my parents' house growing up. My mama always told me that there is no such thing as *coincidence*.

<u>Coincidence</u>: a remarkable concurrence of events or circumstances without apparent causal connection. It was this "without apparent causal connection" that my mom takes such issue with, and understandably. As Jesus followers, when we are led by the Spirit, we can grasp how all of life and even the lives of others are intertwined into a beautiful tapestry of God loving His children. We know exactly what the "causal connection" is when we unexpectedly come across someone in need. Most of us accept that God needed us there in that moment, it was not just *coincidence*.

The root of the word coincidence is the word coincide. Coincide has a different connotation than that dirty word we've been discussing. It literally means to "fall upon or into" (incidere) "together" (co). I think this word beautifully reflects how we as Christians live as we follow Jesus. When we meet Jesus at the cross, two separate lives become one. They "fall into" death to self through the waters of baptism, and are from that point on, coinciding as 1 life: Jesus'. Even beyond that, when a believer becomes one with Jesus, their life falls upon the hearts and shoulders of those who have made the same choice and they are added to the church, the body of Jesus. From then on, their life is not their own, but we live (or we're supposed to...) as one family, lives coinciding with our fellow believers in Jesus' name.

Random? Unrelated? No purpose or intent behind it? No, I suppose my mother is correct that this meaning of coincidence is far from the truth that we know as Christians. But shifting our understanding of coincidence just a bit may change things. In fact I contend that my whole life is coincidence, coinciding with my savior and his people on a daily basis. Is yours?

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CMU Sunday Suppers update:

We have all the food needs filled for the March 7th CMU Student Supper! Thank you all so much for stepping up to provide for this outreach opportunity. We will let the church know how it goes and Lord willing we will be doing it one more time before CMU let's out in May. If you are helping provide for the March 7th supper and have questions, give Ann Clayton a call.

Placing Membership

Sharon Crook has moved here from Mancos and has been a member of the Cortez Church of Christ. She desires to place membership with our church family. Her address is:

634 Thunder Ridge Dr. GJ, CO 81504

Phone: 9970-749-2951

Welcome Sharon. Your presence is inspiring to us all.

Loveseat/Rollout Bed to Give Away

Sue Boyle has a loveseat that makes into a bed to give away to anyone who could use it. The main colors of the unit are violet & white with a floral motif. Contact Sue if you are interested.

Beautician Appointments

Trinity Brassette, one of our youth group grads, is training as a beautician at The Salon Professional Academy (432 North Ave). She is needing clients. If you are willing to let her cut your Judy Bussert—Healing from a head injury due hair, do your nails, or any of the other services provided, please contact her to set up an appointment. cell# 260-9906 or Instagram TrinityB@beautybytrinity or call the school at 245-1110. Tuesday is \$5 hair cuts!

Dear Heavenly Father,

We humbly come before Your throne of grace to tell you that we know Your works. We have seen Your works time and time again. know that You answer prayers. We come to tell You that we have souls in our midst that are hurting and in need of healing. Please hear our prayer and heal our sick, comfort our grieving and protect us all from the ravages of illness and injury.

In Jesus Holy Name we pray. Amen

Herb Tinkle—Cancer. Awaiting surgery.

A friend of Billy Tucker, Mark Steven Barker, has been diagnosed with cancer. Bill requests prayers on his behalf.

Jasmine Bagga and her family as she undergoes treatment for non-epileptic seizures.

Gage—4 month old grandson of Wes & Bridget Beaver—Upcoming diagnostic tests

Jim Rowley—Undergoing chemo for bone cancer.

Rick Martinez—Undergoing treatment for brain cancer. Treatments are going extremely well.

Randy Brabec—awaiting kidney transplant Janet Hawkins—Cancer

Verena Lyons—Undergoing experimental treatment for cancer. Prognosis is hopeful.

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For our secular leaders—May they exhibit extreme wisdom in making decisions regarding our country.



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For the Record

February 7, 2021

Attendance 130
Weekly Contributions February 7, 2021 \$9114.00
Contribution 4 week average \$4993.95
Weekly Budget \$6658.71

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Online: pattersonroad.church - The little green "Give" button is at the top right.



Announcements for February—Roy Karo Jeremy Antwine—Communion Talk for Sunday February 14, 2021 Farrel Harris—Communion Table Preparation for February

Sunday morning assembly begins at 10 AM. Face masks, hand sanitizer and social distancing seating are in place for your safety.

Youth Group will continue to meet on Wednesdays at 6 PM.
Vince Urbina—Wednesday Evening Bible Class—7 PM
Ladies Wednesday Evening Bible Class, Room 103—7 PM
Ladies Bible Class—Thursdays in Room 103—9:30 AM
Thursday Bible School—9:30 AM— Noon on Thursdays

Live Streaming—Sunday morning sermons are available for those who opt to stay at home a while longer. Go to the Church facebook page.