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THURSDAY BLOG

Generational Change

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If we grew up in a cold climate, our family likely helped us discover the best winter clothing and gear for staying warm on bitter, cold days. In contrast, if we grew up in a warmer climate like Florida and Texas with mild winters, even a brief cool spell over-night caused us to shiver a bit.

We are better together. Every generation can learn a few tricks of the trade when doing life together. Senior age group people (myself) are always grateful for younger kids and grandkids helping us find solutions with our technology issues, computers, and smart phone devices.

Our modern world is a better place when people of all generations are learning to work together. This weekend at Journey Community Christian Church, Bryan Martinez (Family and Youth Minister at Journey) is presenting a terrific message for back-to-school families for consideration and encouragement.

I am sure his goal is to share words from the Bible which confirm: everybody... all generations... are better together. His message from the Bible is titled, "Counter Culture." The Gospel Truth and Good News—there really is no such thing in God's eyes. Cultural Christianity only is an oxymoron. This is a contradiction of Truth in the Bible and our faith in God.

We're either a Jesus follower and Christian or not. Jesus changes everything. Either we've believed, surrendered, confessed, repented, and been baptized in the 'Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,' Acts 2:38—or not.

This does not mean we're ever going to become "perfect" (Not on earth). We're not Jesus. However, our worldview is shaped each day by Biblical Truth—Jesus is LORD. Our cultural views are not in conflict with our personal views. Our values and beliefs are shaped by the filter and final authority of the Bible—God's Word.

Older generations can help guide and mentor the younger generations to find answers for their cultural questions. Just look at how younger generations help older generations with technical issues with modern communication. Every generation is better when working together. We learn from one another. This has always been God's plan for the family of God.

King David shared this prayer about generational blessings from God. This is a prayer to share with one another in our modern world:

"Then King David went in and sat before the LORD and prayed, 'Who am I, O Lord, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far?' " 1 Chronicles 17:16 NLT

Join us at Journey this weekend. Bring everybody, young and old. Listen as Bryan shares an inspiring message of hope for families like us.

We are better together.

