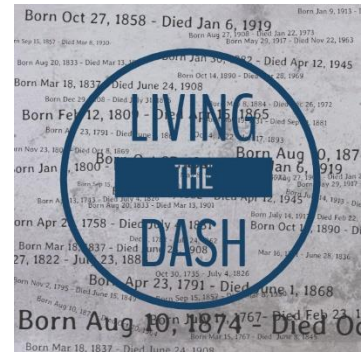




Sunday April 23



Sunday, April 23: Finding Purpose and Passion for Life

How to Use Talk It Over:

This resource is to help you and your group discuss, in greater detail, the messages at Christ Church Otsego. The hope is for you to remember the content, read scripture, and discuss the application to your own life.

Pastor Greg's Main Idea:

Easter changed everything. As we believe in Jesus and receive him as our Savior we are set free to "live our dash" for him. This sermon considers those things that "trip us up" and "lift us up" as we run the race of life for Jesus.

Scripture Passage: Galatians 5, beginning with 5:7

Describe a time in your life when someone "cut in on you" and really messed you up... your direction, your plans, your faith, your future?

Which of the "fruits of the Spirit" described in Galatians 5:22-23 would you really like more of?

In Galatians 5:25, what does it mean to you to "keep in step with the Spirit?"

Discussion Questions:

Pastor Pagh talked about four areas described in Galatians 5 that can "trip us up" as we live our dash for Jesus. They are false religion, wacky emotions, stubborn self-will, and temporary highs. Describe elements of each and share which of these areas tends to trip you up the most and why.

Pastor Pagh described five things that "lift us up" as we live our dash for Jesus. They are authentic relationships, firm beliefs, servant hearts, spiritual fruits and faith that is real. Which of these "lifters" is a strength in your life today? Which of these represents an area where you would really like to grow? What are some first-steps that you could take?

Consider Galatians 5:1, "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free." What does this verse mean to you?

If you have any questions from this discussion or the message email them to info@christchurchotsego.org.