



CHRIST'S CHURCH
OF THE CANYON

Mid-Week Devotion
June 6, 2021

“I’ve got some good news and some bad news...”

I don't know how many times someone has approached me with the statement, *“I have some good news and some bad news, which would you like first?”* My typical response is usually, “How ‘bout neither??” Peter’s phenomenal and unprecedented sermon at Pentecost was one of those “good news, bad news” occasions. As he lays out for his Jewish audience the differences between David’s purpose and Jesus’ purpose at Pentecost it may have been one of those ‘good news, bad news’ scenarios. “What would you like to hear first” he may have shouted to the dozens if not hundreds of people gathered. “Good news!”, they may have shouted back. Makes sense. They’ve been cooped-up for the past 10 days and some good news would have lifted their spirits. “Ok, here goes” Peter would have responded. “Our father, King David died. He was buried here in Jerusalem. He still lies in his tomb.” Now the folks are wondering why is that good news? “In fact”, Peter would have continued, “our beloved King David wasn’t the Messiah nor was he the Savior and for sure not our Lord.” “Want more good news?” The people murmured, “No thank you!” “Ok, his bones are still in the grave!” Someone would have shouted, “Why is that good news?” Peter’s response, knowing Peter would have been quick, pointed, and in-your-face. “Where you been man? I know you. You’ve been in this city for the past two months. Does the name Jesus of Nazareth ring a bell?” “You want more good news?” “Umm...” a few would have said under their breath. “Jesus was killed, buried, end of story, right?” Peter shouted, “No way! He’s not in his tomb. The grave couldn’t hold him. We all have seen him, talked with him. Had breakfast with him. For 40 days we’ve spent time with him. And finally, watched him leave. Right boys?” “Well, what’s the bad news?” some woman in the crowd shouts. “There isn’t any it’s all good” Peter responds. “Jesus from Nazareth is the Savior, Messiah, and Lord. Want more good news? See me after the sermon!”

Pr. Wayne

Prayers

Hazel Kordyak’s family
Dave and Kathy Faust

Upcoming

Outreach opportunities...

Mountaineer Days, Saturday, July 10

Youth Tour and Travel Camp, August 2-6