



Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

Welcome to our Worship Service!

October 22, 2017

Devotional:----- Everett Yoder
Message:----- Elmer Yoder
Offering:----- School
SS Lesson:----- Genesis 7

Intermediate Verse: For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth. Romans 9:17

Junior Verse: Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. Colossians 3:13

Primary Verse: "Whatsoever thy hand findeth

to do, do it with thy might" Ecclesiastes 9:10

Preschool Verse: "Work with your own hands" 1 Thessalonians 4:11

SS Lesson for next week: Genesis 8

Adult and Youth Verse for next week: While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease. Genesis 8:22

CHILDREN'S CORNER

This might sound surprising to you, but 95% of all fossils are creatures from the sea like clams, corals, sea snails, trilobites, and lamp shells. These organisms do not have backbones. They do have hard outer parts that have the greatest chance to become fossils. Somehow they had to have been buried quickly and so deeply, under heavy layers of sediment, that they were unable to escape. They died. The conditions were perfect for them to be turned into rock.

Nearly 5% of all fossils are plants. Many are ferns, but some are ordinary plants like oaks and willows. These, too, were buried deeply under sediment. The conditions were perfect for them to be turned into rock.

Less than 1% of all fossils are animals with backbones, which we call vertebrates. These would be the bones of animals like fish or birds or dinosaurs, but they are very rare. So few fossils are vertebrates because many of these animals lived on land. When land animals die in water, they often bloat, float, and rot. They are not easily and quickly buried. Their bodies would have decomposed from bacterial action or been ripped apart by strong flood currents or been devoured by scavengers. A few vertebrates, or parts of vertebrates, remained intact, were buried quickly, and the conditions were perfect for them to be turned into rock. <https://answersingenesis.org/kids/answers/online-books/really-really-really-like-fossils/what-was-fossilized/>

Announcements:

- This Evening: Free evening
- Wednesday Evening: Prayer Meeting at 7:00.
- School devotions this week by: Jason Yoder
- Out of state correspondence this week by Jenni Yoder

~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES~

October 24, Happy Birthday! Sharon Nissley, 1963
 October 27, Happy Birthday! Kandace Yoder, 2008
 October 27, Happy Anniversary! Everett & Elmina, 1989

FOLLOW THE GUIDE

It's easy to get lost in the endless rain forests of the Amazon basin.

Author Ben Patterson reports an experience that is common for visiting Westerners.

They will approach local villagers and ask for directions to a place they want to go. "I have a compass, a map, and some coordinates, if you can just point the way." The villagers know exactly how to reach that spot. But they will typically decline to give directions.

"Let me take you there myself," one of the locals will insist.

"That's nice," says the visitor. "But I don't really need a guide. Just tell me what landmarks to look for."

"That's no good," says the villager. "I must take you there myself."

"But I have a map," replies the outsider, perhaps becoming exasperated.

"And these coordinates. And GPS."

"It does not work that way. I can get you there, but I must take you myself. You must follow me."

Modern world people love directions. We love maps. And compasses. And bullet points, leadership principles, and strategic

initiatives.

As Patterson observes, these items all have one thing in common: They leave us in control. If I'm holding the GPS indicator in my hand, I'm still in charge of the trip. I can still turn left or right if I want to turn left or right.

But if I'm following a guide, then my job has radically changed. Now my job is merely...to follow.

So what's the best way through the jungle you're facing this week? Through that tangle of family relationships, or the project at work that seems to have become a depressing swamp?

You can do what you always do: take charge and try not to get lost. Or you can do something far wiser: Stop right now and ask for a Guide.

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Jesus is gentle, but He is not weak. He loves the sinner but is absolutely intolerant of sin. He is not a negotiator. He is Lord. It is this bristling truth that invites intolerance toward Christians. Jesus did not say, "Do your own thing. . .all roads lead to God." That would have made Jesus "politically correct," but Jesus is not politically correct. He is Lord.

--Franklin Graham