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Two four-week Wednesday night classes coming

Rod Graciano has two short studies to share with us. As with his longer classes, these will capture your attention and possibly even change your life!

The October class begins 7pm on October 5 in the Conference Room. Here is Rod's description: "Entitled *Logos Asarkos*, it is about our Lord before He was born in Bethlehem. I shared the introduction to this study on a Sunday morning a while back, but now I'd like to share the whole series. This study is not just about Old Testament prophecies of the coming Messiah, but about what our Lord **was** and **was doing** before Bethlehem."

The second study, scheduled for November, with the 23rd off, is entitled Heaven and is about both our future destiny and the experience of Heaven that we can have right now.

You are invited to a Spaghetti Dinner

Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad ... the taste buds start working, and you picture yourself sitting across a table sharing stories and enjoying the company. Started as a youth activity, expanded to include the Wednesday night class, this is now open to everyone!

The third Wednesday of every month, 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall (next to the kitchen) you can spend time with friends, maybe meet someone you don't know, or get to know our teens.

Donations are welcome!

NEW THIS FALL... COLLEGE/YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Starting OCTOBER 11

7PM @ PASTOR CHUCK & SHALENE'S HOME
WE ARE REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE LAUNCH OF THIS NEW GROUP.

WE WILL HAVE FUN EXPLORING GOD'S WORD, EATING FOOD, MAYBE DOING SOME WORSHIP AND GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER.

This will happen every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

We hope you can join us...

and by all means bring a friend.

Have questions? Email pastor chuck at

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New to the Connection Point:

Now that we have gone electronic with the monthly PCF newsletter we have many new tools available at your fingertips. The one we are spotlighting in this month's edition are the links. Links give the opportunity to access a website for more information or take you to a specific article in the *Connection Point*. For example, at the bottom of the page you can click on the facebook icon and it will take you to our facebook page and the left hand column has links that will take you to our website and much more. If you have a printed copy of the *Connection Point*, many of these same links can be found on our website www.welcometopcf.org. We look forward to spotlighting any new tools that we incorporate in the months to come. Take time to enjoy the "refreshed" new look and style of your monthly newsletter.



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» PASTOR'S CORNER

Follow the Leader

Looking ahead at 3:30 in the morning it didn't seem it would take that long. The night sky was clear and bursting with stars, multiplied and magnified this far away from any man-made light. From the base of the glacier the mountain stood before them in a subdued glow. Twenty-one hearty souls were about to step forward, hoping to stand on the peak that same day. By dawn the rookies would begin to realize how far up it really was.

Roped together in three groups of seven, most of them had never done anything this serious before. At the head of each rope was an experienced climber. The leader of the first rope was an authorized mountain climbing guide. They would all follow him.

Starting off after some initial instructions, their zigzag pattern seemed unnecessary to the inexperienced ones. Later in the day they would realize the importance on steeper slopes. About an hour after daylight they took the first big break of the day, and the leader announced they would learn some life saving practices before continuing. He then unhooked from the rope.

"Watch what I am about to do," he said. "You will all be doing the same thing." As quick as a cat he threw himself face down onto the snow field. Both arms were stretched forward, hands gripping his ice ax and plunging it deep into the snow. His legs were spread with his toes jammed in. He was flattened out, forming a three point anchor.

Rising he said, "When I yell, 'falling,' all of you will instantly do the same. If anyone on your rope has broken through a hidden crevasse, the rest of you will have formed an anchor chain arresting his fall. Once we are sure that climber is secure, those at the ends of the rope, and from other ropes nearby will break off to come pull the fallen climber back up." After several practices they were confident they could stop a fall in progress. After a few unannounced practices while climbing they were even more confident.

Another hour or so up the leader halted the team. He pulled an extendable pole from his pack, clicked it open to its full 8 foot length, lifted it in the air and rammed it down. It sank about 2 feet in and stopped. He stepped forward two strides and did it again. Again it stopped at about the same depth. Two more strides, he lifted the pole and rammed it earthward again. This time it plunged through till his hand hit the snow. He paused for effect, lifted the pole and slowly turned to face the team.

"What's down there?" one of them asked. "60 to 150 feet of drop into a crevasse," he answered. "You go down there without a stop, and you're probably not coming back out."

They all looked around in silence for a bit. "How did you know it was there?" someone said. "Experience," one of the rope leaders replied. "Very valuable experience." Without another word, everyone knew they would be in grave danger on their own. But they also now knew the huge advantages they enjoyed. They would all step exactly where he stepped, and they would do it together. About 2:30 that afternoon nine of them stood on the very peak of Mt. Anderson, the seventh highest peak in the Olympic Mountains. All 21 made it back down to camp without any serious or lasting injuries.

Jesus said, **"The Son can do nothing but what He sees the Father do,"** and then said, **"Follow Me."** He also said, **"No servant is above his master. It is enough that he be like his master."** Later He said, **"As the Father has sent Me, I also send you."** Security, confidence and completion follow those who follow Jesus.

All for Christ's sake



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- 01-Ian Fisher
- 02-Vicki Gibson
- 03-Jason & Trisha Weeron, 1992
- 04-Eric Pierson
- 05-Susie Noble

- 07-Shawn Jordan, Kurt Mach
- 09-Marlie Porter
- 10-Emily Anderson
- 11-Tom Fifer, Tom Fisher
- 14-Kahrista Hanenburg
- 16-Richard & Susie Morris, 1994
- 18-Charlie & Vicki Gibson, 1992
- 21-Andy Bothwell, Brian Staples
- 27-Mitch Jaber
- 30-Darwin Newton
- 31-Don & Cindy Delzer, 1987

