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Bethel Christian Academy's **Principal's Perspective**

I have talked in Elementary Chapel twice about Jonah and the Middle School Chapel 3 times over the last month or so. I have been teaching an in depth Bible study to our adults on Wednesday nights at Bethel Christian Church, and it has impacted me so much and I have felt that I should share with our students some of the principles from that story. It's not just about a whale (or "great fish"), but it's all about God's love. He loved Jonah enough to give him multiple chances to make the right choice (and again when Jonah called God's mercy "evil" and asked to die!) God loved the pagan sailors on the ship in the storm, and I'm sure he rejoiced as they praised him. God loved the Ninevites enough to send the prophet Jonah to them in the first place when their extreme wickedness had reached heaven!

I know you won't necessarily be able to hear the students' answers in elementary chapel today if you watch the livestream, but as I asked them questions about the story and why would God do this or that, their answers blessed me. They truly understand how much God loves people. They have a sincere understanding of God's love for them, for their friends and family, and for everyone! They understand that God has a purpose for them and all people. That is something I believe so strongly! You probably don't remember, but last summer as I prayed for a theme verse for this school year, God gave me <u>Psalm 37:23</u>. It says "The Lord directs the steps of the godly. He delights in EVERY DETAIL of their lives." Every detail. The way they look. The way the feel. The way they act, and learn, and interact with others. With all the identity stuff and gender stuff going on in the world aimed at our young people and their God-given identity, it's no wonder God wanted us to remind our students over and over again that he loves them exactly the way they are. That he created them, (knit them together!), every detail ON PURPOSE FOR A PURPOSE. I hope and pray that if there is only one thing they remember from their time at BCA apart from the Gospel message of salvation, that is it!

Likewise, I hope and pray that if you don't know, or don't believe that God created you, every detail, on purpose and for a purpose...that you would hear and understand that message as well. God loves you, and your family, and everyone so much that he sent Jesus to die for us so that we could all go to heaven someday! There is nothing more important than that, and I am blessed to hear your child sharing that message! If you haven't talked to them about those things, why not do it today?!

Thanks and God Bless! Mr. Burnett, BCA Principal

Good Fri-Day Camp is a 1-day VBS style day camp directed by Pastor Edgar and held at BCA. Click below for more information or to register!



BROADCAST

- March 3, 2023 -

Weekly Devo

Click below to watch this week's devotion!

Light Up the Darkness February 28, 2023



Bethel Christian Academy Students of integrity who love God and love others!

What's Coming Up?

Mar. 3 – End of Quarter

- Mar. 10 Report Cards
- Mar. 20 Parent Connect, 7-8pm

Parent with Personalities. If you missed the previous meetings (Steps for a Successful School Year, Anxiety & Depression in Kids, Trauma in Kids, or Discipling Kids), visit our Parent Connect page for resources.

- Mar. 31 Sports Awards, 6pm (RSVP by 3/21)
- ◊ Apr. 7-14 Easter Break / No School

Re-Enrollment is Open

I am so excited to report that we <u>138 students</u> already registered for next year! The Re-Enrollment Fee us \$120 per student through April.

EdChoice Scholarship

If you currently have the scholarship and have re-enrolled for next school year, don't forget to renew your scholarship. Click here or email Mr. Burnett with questions.



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