

welcome

1.9-10.10
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COLLEGE CITY-CHURCH

"Bill has been my best friend since childhood, we met in second grade. We've stayed in touch through moves, marriages, children, job changes, and more. We always talk on our birthdays and in recent years we are Harley riding buddies. I wrote his name on the Prayer Wall (back of Worship Room at Calvary 1250), along with the names of his family and have prayed for him off and on for many years. Although a God-fearing man, I was never sure Bill knew Christ personally.

As a Hospital Administrator, and an active member of the Navy Reserves, he received an email requesting volunteers to serve in a medical center in Afghanistan. He called to let me know he was being deployed. I prayed even more. I had to talk to him. I had to ask if he knew where he would spend eternity if he were to die. I called and invited him to breakfast days before he was to leave the country. Over omelets and bacon I asked Bill the question that weighed so heavy on my heart, "did he have a personal relationship with God?" He said he did but he had some questions about God and some of the hurtful things he has seen in the lives of his family.

We talked about salvation and that it is based on faith in God through Jesus His Son and not on what we do, don't do or even about our doubts. He told me he did believe in Jesus as his way to heaven and that after we talked he was sure if he died he would indeed spend eternity there. That moment was a God-moment for me, and for him. Bill is currently in Afghanistan while Eldon, his young adult son is struggling with some life issues here at home. I contacted Eldon to invite him to breakfast in hopes that in Bill's absence, I can help him through this tough time. And to see if there might be a God-moment waiting to show up during breakfast with Eldon as well!"

God-Stories are places where we see God at work around us. Do you have a God-Story to share? Send to: God-stories@calvarysc.org

Make a Note!

• College Student Welcome Back Lunch (1/17):

Kick-off the semester with a celebration! All college students welcome. SCASHS Cafeteria following the 11 am Midtown gathering. Rides back to campus available. Hosted by Doulos.

• City-wide Winter Retreat (1/22-24) for grades

6-12. Multiple churches. Pocono Plateau and Camel Back. Worship with CrossEyed Jake, games, skiing/tubing, and lots of great hang out time. Brochures in lobby or from your small group leader. Contact kim@calvarysc.org (ext. 28).

Sermon Notes

DEFINITION 2010
[Vic King • 1.9-10.10]

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it. John 1:1-5

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14

GOD DEFINED.

HEBREWS 1:3

COLOSSIANS 1:19-20

ACTS 4:12

What if you took the revelation of Jesus out of the equation of your faith?

GOD'S DEFINITION DEFINES ME.

In the next decade of change, what will anchor me?

DEFINITION #1 - 1 PETER 2:9

DEFINITION #2 - COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

DEFINITION #3 - GALATIANS 2:20