Review of Youth Group Wednesday 9/19

Middle School:

Big Idea: Before we can be a fisher of men, we have to know our part.

Scripture passages: Acts 8:26-40; Isaiah 53:7-8

Family Discussion Questions:

- What was one thing your remember (or learned) from the Youth Group lesson?
- In what areas of your life do you show the most obedience to God's calling?
- Why is the Old Testament important for us today? (Guidance: We can only properly know Jesus as Savior and Messiah with the context of the Old Testament...other reasons can include: we can understand the origin of the universe, and specifically our origin as humans made in God's image; we understand the character of God and what he expects from us; etc.)
- In order to be able to share with others the gospel, we need to know what the Scriptures say; we must learn what the scriptures mean; we must live by them. Which of these do you feel like you are practicing well right now? Which of these steps do you need to start doing (including sharing with others)?

High School:

Big Idea: Lust is selfish. Love is selfless.

Scripture passages: 1 John 4:7-8; 1 Corinthians 13:4-7; Ephesians 4:18-20

Family discussion questions:

- What really sticks out to you when it comes to the big idea (see above)?
- Do you remember the video you watched about pornography? What did you think about it? (Here's the link to the video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m1jlkLcmwqM I encourage you to watch it with your teen)
- How big of a problem to you think pornography is at your school? In the youth group? With you?
- What are other ways besides pornography that you struggle with lust?
- In what ways is love different from lust?
- How can you overcome lust? (Guidance: We need to saturate ourselves with real love. We do
 this by knowing and thinking about the love that God has for us and the whole world. We need
 to read the Bible to saturate our mind with the truth about God's love for us. We are made in
 God's image and he died for us while we were still sinners. See Passage list in separate
 document on website. Another way to fight lust is to keep yourself from 'avenues' that could
 lead to temptation. Ask your student about 'avenues' that may not be wrong, but could lead to
 temptation (example: browsing internet when no one else is around could be an avenue toward
 temptation to seek pornographic sites.))
- Say this: I want you to know you can talk to me about this stuff, and it will not change how much I love you one bit!

Preview of Teen Bible Fellowship this Sunday (9/23):

Middle School:

Big Idea: God's Word is living and active and important for us to read and understand.

Scripture passages: Hebrews 4:12; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Psalm 119:9-11; John 1:1, 14; Galatians 6:8

High School:

<u>Big Idea</u>: Last week we talked about one way we shrink the gospel (pretending), and how to get centered on God and the good news of the gospel through confession. In this lesson, we will talk about another way we shrink the cross (performing), and how to get centered on God and his gospel through believing. This lesson turns our attention to what remedies God has given in the gospel to keep us from shrinking the cross and depending on our own effort.

Scripture passages: Philippians 3:3-9; Isaiah 64:6; 2 Corinthians 5:21

Let me know if you have any questions.

Praying for you all!

Pastor Aaron Brown