

# Lions Roar 8-5-20

## **Musings with Mrs. Gilham**

My husband and I recently took a short vacation down to Oregon. As he was driving through Portland I was doing my Bible study homework. The questions I was answering had to do with anger. "How appropriate," I thought. Portland has been filled with angry mobs tearing down statues, looting, and setting fires to buildings. They, like many large cities these days, are filled with people expressing pent up anger.

"Do anger and bitterness ever rear their ugly heads in your life? What situations are most likely to trigger such emotions?" These are the questions I had to answer, and I needed to answer them truthfully. God knows my heart. There is no hiding anything from him. My answer? When I feel a loss of control. When my plans don't go how I think they should. Oh, man, these last few months have been hard!

I have found, however, that if I take a deep breath, hold my tongue, pray and wait, then the Holy Spirit can calm me, and I can allow God to work His plan...and God's plan is always better than my own. Have I perfected it? No, but I'm getting better. (And having a husband to remind me doesn't hurt either!)

How are you handling your anger, bitterness, or disappointments today? I pray that you will find God's peace as you navigate these next few months.

"Understand this, my dear brothers and sisters: You must all be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry. Human anger does not produce the righteousness God desires. So get rid of all the filth and evil in your lives, and humbly accept the word God has planted in your hearts, for it has the power to save your lives." James 1:19-20

## **Governor's Press Conference on Reopening Schools**

This afternoon Governor Inslee strongly recommended all schools do distance learning this Fall. However, he is leaving it up to local communities to make their own decisions regarding reopening schools. CCS continues to plan for reopening a new school year in person following safety guidelines. Thank you for your prayers. They are powerful!

## **Picnic and Play**

We have had a wonderful time this summer with our Picnic & Play but we do want to remind you that next Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, will be our last one. We hope those of you that have attended have enjoyed the time as much as we have!

## **Materials & Tech Fee Balance Due**

If you haven't yet paid your materials and tech fee balance, just a reminder that they are due by August 15.

## Community Service

### **Free Meals**

"Our Nation's Ministries" have food boxes available every Saturday and individual deliveries are an option as well. Contact the ministry office at 360-807-4337 for more information.