

The background of the top section is a scenic image of a mountain range under a soft, hazy sky. Overlaid on this image is a white crown graphic at the top center. Below the crown, the text 'THE GOSPEL OF' is written in a small, sans-serif font. Below that, the word 'MATTHEW' is written in a large, bold, serif font. At the bottom of the graphic, the text 'OUR KING...HIS KINGDOM' is written in a medium-sized, serif font.

THE GOSPEL OF
MATTHEW
OUR KING...HIS KINGDOM

Matthew 5:9-12

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What's the Difference? - Part 3

Context: Describing a Kingdom-minded person
(Matthew 5:1-8)

Premise: The Kingdom of Heaven is different.

In Jesus' Kingdom, we get to:

Look at conflict differently

(Matthew 5:9)

Look at persecution differently

(Matthew 5:10-11)

Look at rewards differently

(Matthew 5:12)

Takeaway: Live differently no matter the cost



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: OCC boxes & information available in the lobby. You can also support the Samaritans Purse OCC program with cash or a check donation made out to Samaritans Purse. Place your donations in the OCC box in the lobby. **Full boxes must be returned by Sunday, November 15th.**

ADULT EDUCATION: **Sunday** at **8:30am** in **room 82**. Join us for a look at the Foundations of the Faith lead by Pastor Alex Vander Weide and Jacob Speer.

YOUNG ADULTS: Are you a high school senior or young adult up to age 25? Join us for our next Small Group gathering. It's a great space to connect, build community, and grow together. For details or location information, reach out to Pastor Alex.

MIDWEEK: **The Gospel Way Catechism - Wednesday, October 21st, 6:30pm.** A 10-month study. Nursery, Children's Awana, & High School Ministries will be meeting.

Question 13 & 14: What is Work? - 54 and What is Rest? - 57

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP: Lead by Pam Montenegro, meeting **every other Thursday** from **2-4pm** in the **SW Conf Room**. The next meeting will be **October 29th**.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Practice will be at **11:30am each Sunday, beginning Oct. 25 through Dec. 13**, in the Worship Center.

Performance will be Dec. 20th. Sign up in the Children's Chapel.

2026 WOMEN'S RETREAT: - humility - Isaiah 66:1-2. **November 6-8th at Ironwood Christian Camp.** Come join us as we gather to worship, fellowship, and explore God's word about true humility, and what it means to cultivate it practically in our lives. Cost is \$250 and includes five meals. **The last day to register is October 25th.**

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FINANCIAL UPDATE 2026-2027 FISCAL YEAR

YTD Budget: \$ 162,500

Sept YTD Total: \$ 170,178

**"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
(2 Corinthians 9:7 ESV)**

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