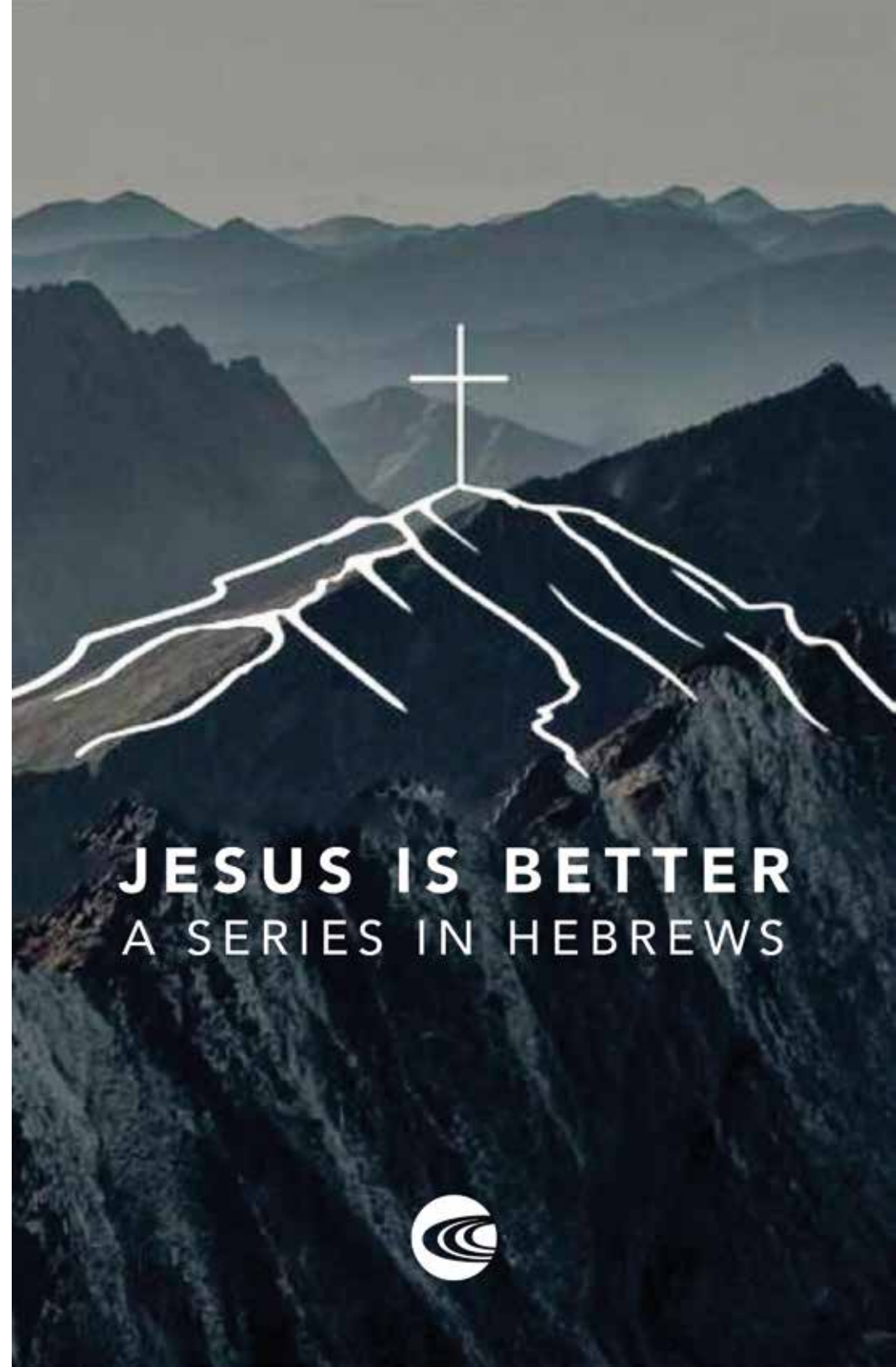


Sermon Notes



JESUS IS BETTER
A SERIES IN HEBREWS



Today's Scripture October 13, 2024

PASSAGE: Hebrews 13:3, *Jesus Has A Better Global Community*

TEACHER: Kirk Crager, Lead Pastor

Bulletin Updates

LEGACY MEETING TOMORROW AT 11 A.M.

The October meeting and lunch for Legacy, our 60 years and older group, will happen tomorrow, Monday, October 14 at 11 A.M. in the Fireside Room at the church. We're studying life of Elijah, and there will be a time of worship, prayer, and a meal. Newcomers are always welcomed.

MERCY BOXES MINISTRY BOXES AVAILABLE TODAY

Instead of filling boxes for Operation Christmas Child this fall, we'll be filling Mercy Boxes and sending them to areas of the world in which we have a connection with our global workers and their neighbors. This year, we'll work with Calvary Boise and Trinity Boise to each focus on a certain mission. Cole Community will send boxes to our GO workers in Peru and here locally to GLOCAL.

Boxes are available today in the back of the auditorium and need to be returned here by November 10.

LIBRARY AND STUDY CENTER NOW OPEN

Come visit our Library and Study Center in its new home to see its new space. The library is home to more than 7,000 books that you may take home at no charge. See the resources available to you every Wednesday from

11:30 A.M. - 4 P.M. or each Sunday before and after church service. Library cards are free and available for patrons age 13 and above.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone involved in making this renovation a reality!

Q+A: SUBMIT YOUR QUESTIONS

We'd love to hear your questions and share your answers with the entire body. You can submit your questions each week, and 'upvote' them using Slido, a question submission tool designed for audience participation and engagement. Questions along with their answers, are now available on our website at colecommunity.org/q-and-a. Scan the QR code to see the other questions in the "hopper" and to submit your own.



<i>Financial Update</i>	
as of October 8, 2024	
This Week's Giving	\$7,887
YTD Spending	\$416,401
YTD Giving	\$393,213

Give online at colecommunity.churchcenter.com/giving

VISION LUNCH OCT. 20 FOR RENATA SANTOS

You are invited to a Vision Lunch for Renata on Oct 20, 11:45 am in the Fireside Room. As head of Member Care for an organization working in Middle East/North Africa, Renata mentors and encourages the workers. Come hear how God is working!

CARING BRIDGE UPDATES

If you are intersted in receiving updates on members of our body like George Blakeman, we encourage you to create a Caring Bridge account online at caringbridge.com. The family is posting regularly if you would like to know how to specifically pray for him.



JOIN US FOR 'COMMUNITY LIFE WEDNESDAY NIGHTS' THIS FALL

This week is a 'catered' meal by our Wednesday Night Hospitality Team so no need to bring anything!

Please RSVP in the Church Center app so we have estimates for kids and an estimate on how many people to prep for. (Church Center app, Groups, Wednesday Night Community Lflfe, RSVP).

INTEREST MEETING TODAY FOR THE SEVEN CHURCH TOUR

An Interest Meeting will happen today, October 13, at 1:30 P.M. at Calvary Boise's Gym (123 Auto Drive Boise). A tour of the seven churches of Revelation in Asia Minor (modern-day Turkey) will have a purposeful ministry focus to serve the underground church March 28-April 6.



A Note From The Pastor

Dear church family,

As we enter the 9th month of our church Revitalization, I want to encourage you to continue seeing all of life and this season of church life as worship. Hebrews 12:28-29 says, "Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire" (ESV). This was written in the context of a persecuted church without the trappings of our modern worship services. They were being called to worship in song (Heb. 13:15), but more importantly with lives that honored Christ in less than ideal circumstances. Based on that reality, I recently encouraged us as a church that worship is not about us, but about God. What's important each Sunday we gather is not how we like the music or not, but if our hearts are postured to recognize and be grateful for the unshakeable kingdom we have and the Holy God we stand before. I am thankful that our church is passionate about wanting our worship to glorify God. At the same time, I want you to know that we have received various points of feedback and are seeking to grow our Sunday worship as the Lord provides the right people and giftings to grow in that area. Our desire is to build teams, but the reality is the Lord has not yet seen fit to provide all the gifts to expand our teams. If you are interested in auditioning to see if you are a fit for a worship team, then look out for the next opportunity and make sure to attend. From some of the feedback I've received I do want to lovingly caution us as a body not to fall into what some have called the "worship wars" in church. Let's not campaign among ourselves for our favorite style, songs, or teams, but let's allow brotherly love to continue and wait patiently as the Lord builds his church. I'm thankful for your trust as a body as we continue to take steps forward in every area of worship - which is all of life! One more thing - please don't forget to join us on Wednesday nights. This week we are having a catered meal and would love everyone to rsvp and come out!

-Kirk Crager