

## *Marshmallow Face*

I went to Wal-Mart with marshmallow on my face. I had a spoonful of marshmallow crème recently, and a small piece invaded my beard. I didn't realize it until I got home from shopping! I laughed as I thought, "O goodness, I was walking around the store and everyone saw it." I am sure you have never had marshmallow in your beard, but you have had stains on your shirt. You bite into a hamburger and ketchup or mustard lands on you. Someone might say, "You have something on your shirt." Otherwise, you go the rest of the day unaware.

The same thing happens spiritually. We walk around with stains on our character and never realize it. For example:

- We are arrogant
- We lose our temper
- We habitually interrupt conversations
- We come across as bossy

We do this and are often unaware of it, even though everyone else sees it. Do you know someone like that? They have a flaw in their character and everyone knows it but them? Honestly, we probably all have flaws everyone detects but us. We all have marshmallow in our beards. We need a better sense of self-awareness, understanding who we really are and how we really act. Pray for wisdom and ask God to increase your self-awareness.

Your Pastor,

*Jason R. McNaughten*

## *When The Lights Go Out*

Last Sunday, I experienced something for the very first time. Maybe you did too. As I was listening to Henry play the piano, the power went out.

I was surprised and figured, "Ok I guess we are ending church early." We didn't. As Jason set up lights to preach, I knew we were in for a treat. I knew this was going to be a sermon to remember. This is what I learned from that experience:

First, I learned how distracted I am during most sermons. In darkness, I couldn't look at the people around me or catch someone's eye from across the room. I had to listen instead. I mean really listen to the sermon. Sometimes, if we are honest, we are waiting for a good story or joke we haven't heard before. This Sunday was different.

Second, I learned how easy it is to blow past God's word. When you must have a light to read the Bible, you pay attention to it. I read the Bible carefully and listened carefully as Jason read it. Without so many distractions, the power of God's word really shines through.

Third, I learned we expect too little from God. We get into Sunday morning routines, knowing where to sit, when to stand, and when to listen. God shut off the power so we could listen. Did you get the message?

Youth Pastor,

*Joshua Peeler*



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Sunday Bible Study: 9:15 AM  
Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM  
Wed. Services: 11:30 AM, 6:00 PM



### *MAY EVENTS*

- *Nursing Home Ministry @ 1:15pm*
- *Youth Camp Fundraiser, Sun., May 6, 12pm*
- *Senior Graduation Recognition, Sun., May 6*
- *Discovering FBC Class each Sun., 9:15am in May*
- *Mother's Day, Sun., May 13*
- *Memorial Day, Office Closed*

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