

A Message From Jeff...

REAL FAITH IS RISKY FAITH

God may not call you to change occupations or to leave home and travel to Africa to become a missionary. But He may call you to do something risky. He may tap you on the shoulder and say, "Give it up." **He may ask you to quit a job because of your moral convictions; He may ask you to give more money to support His Kingdom, He may ask you to dedicate more time to volunteering and serving Him.** Maybe you will have to risk popularity or power in order to do what is right; God may call you to give up your pride. I don't know what God may call you to give up, but when He does it will be something significant.

Jesus gave a promise in Matthew 19:29, "Everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life."

Faith believes that promise and obeys God even when the future is uncertain. When you guide your children to follow Jesus, but they rebel for a period, do you keep praying and believing? When you honor God in your marriage, yet He doesn't bless you with the gift of children, do you keep praising Him? When you pray, but your health breaks, do you still keep giving thanks? When you work hard, but get passed over for a promotion, do you still put forth your best effort?

There is a quiet confidence that comes from being in the center of God's will and being totally committed to it. Real faith is to turn your life over to Christ without reservation. It is to say, "Take my life," "I'll go where you want me to go, I'll do what you want me to do."

That's risky. We want security and Jesus says, "Do you really believe in Me? Then trust in me completely and I'll take you to the other side all the way to heaven."

Our current Message Series: **What Jesus Said About...** continues this week as we explore **"What Jesus Said About...The Angry."** Read Matthew 5:21-24 to prepare for our study in God's Word.

Love,

Jeff



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Our Speaker for the Evening:

Jennifer Bullard is a 1987 graduate of Cincinnati Christian University with a degree in International Studies and a graduate of University of Georgia's Terry College of Business Graduate School in Advanced Business Strategies. She is retired from a senior corporate role in banking and currently provides consulting services in HR and business strategy to small companies. In 2019, Jennifer started her nature photography business, Weathered Fence Post, which has now expanded to include an Airbnb and tourism services. She is a monthly contributor to the Restoration Herald, writing articles encouraging fellow believers and challenging spiritual growth.

Jennifer and her husband, Howard, have been in ministry at Ben Davis Creek Christian Church in Rush County for 38 years. They have two children, both married, as well as three grandchildren.

Friday, October 23
6:00 - 9:00

Women of all ages and in all stages of life are vital to the health of our community of women at BCC. You are invited to join us for an evening together. We will enjoy a meal and hear a great message from our speaker, Jennifer Bullard. Invite your friends and join us!

The evening is free of charge but responses are required for food purposes. Please RSVP in the café area by October 18. Childcare and dinner for children provided. Sign up for childcare when completing your RSVP.

Dinner will include: Slow Roasted Beef Tips, Roasted Pepper & Mozzarella Stuffed Chicken, Garlic Smashed Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, House Salad, Rolls, Dessert

Questions? See Laura Cole

“Applesauce Money”

Watch for the “Applesauce Money” envelopes that we will use to help fund the Holiday Baskets to be distributed to individuals/families in need at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Our goal is to collect \$2,000 (above and beyond regular church giving) to help with this special cause. (Remember, we are not collecting jars of applesauce, only cash/checks, to provide applesauce).

Address checks to: BCC, Memo: Food Pantry(for the Pantry to purchase applesauce).

Recent Message:

If you missed last week’s message about “What Jesus Said about... The Lost” be sure to click on the link to view it.

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Prayers & Praises:

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Announcements:

Current Message Series:

What Jesus Said About...

9/ 6	The Hypocritical	Matthew 23
9/13	The Overlooked	Mark 2
9/20	The Lost	Luke 15
9/27	The Angry	Matthew 5
10/ 4	The Judgmental	Matthew 7

Food Pantry Volunteers

Help is needed at the Food Pantry every Wednesday in October.

We have been asked to provide 8-9 workers each week so your service will be greatly appreciated.

Volunteer sign-up sheet is in the Gathering/ Coffee Area. Please sign up as often as you can. Time is from 11:45a.m. – 4:00p.m.

Questions? Contact **Karen Trebley** via email: trebley@ectzone.com.

BCC Church Picnic

When: Sunday, October 4

What Time: 1:00 p.m.

Where: The Pavilion @ Liberty Park

We will be having a Pitch-In-Dinner:
Fried Chicken,
Hot Dogs,
and water will
be provided.



Life Groups will
Sponsor some
activities/Fellowship/Fun!

Please let us know you will be attending the BCC Church Picnic by signing up at the Café counter.

Men for Christ's Annual Ladies' Night

Where: Mahoning Valley Christian Camp.

Date: Monday, October 12

Time: 6:00 p.m. meal, 7:00 p.m. program

Prayer Service

Sunday, October 18 at 6:00 p.m.

Prayer Focus: Pray for the Persecuted Church

Operation Christmas Child

Beginning **Sunday, September 20 through November 1**, we have an opportunity to brighten the lives of children around the world, and to give them hope for eternity.

BCC will be participating in Operation Christmas Child, a program of Samaritan's Purse. By purchasing various small gifts in a shoebox and bringing it to BCC, we'll provide Christmas gifts for children around the world.

At the same time, those children and their families will be told about Jesus, the greatest Christmas gift of all. Please join us in generously giving to reach children and their families with the Good News of Jesus Christ. This is one more way we can:

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