Welcome to Skykomish Community Church

a Word preaching, people loving community

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Prayer Spotlight Village Missions Tim & Karen Owen; Tensed, ID Tensed Community Church Tensed is located 50 miles south of Coeur d'Alene and 40 miles north of Moscow, home to the University of Idaho. We are on the southern end of the Coeur d'Alene **Reservation.** Our population of about



Prayer Spotlight Village Missions Tim & Karen Owen; Tensed, ID Tensed Community Church 123, and surrounding areas, includes farmers (of Timothy hay, blue grass, spring and winter wheat, standing peas, garbanzo beans and canola), loggers, and workers who commute as far as Coeur d'Alene or Moscow.



Prayer Spotlight Village Missions Tim & Karen Owen; Tensed, ID Tensed Community Church Please pray for our congregation to be salt and light in the community, for continued growth for our people, and safety for the farmers during spring and summer work. Also, pray that some younger families will begin to attend Tensed Community Church.

"Don't do the crime, if you can't do the time."

Last week we talked about not being deceived regarding the consequences of sin. This week's verse is about not partnering with those who are disobedient.

Partnership is important and promoted in Scripture; but, knowing who to partner with and who to not partner with is equally important.

Romans 12:18 tells us, "If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."

There comes a time when it is not possible. How do we discern who we shouldn't partner with?

We are still in chapter five in the book of Ephesians. So far we have been admonished to Follow God's example, to imitate God. Certain behaviors and attitudes are proper or not proper for God's holy people.

Today's Text: Ephesians 5:7 (NIV)

Therefore do not be partners with them.

Partner verses: Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

•Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken. Ecclesiastes 4:11-12

•The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

Genesis 2:18

•As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another. Proverbs 27:17 •A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity.

Proverbs 17:17

•Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.

Deuteronomy 31:6

•You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.

James 4:4

- •One who has unreliable friends soon comes to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother. Proverbs 18:24
- •The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray. Pr. 12:26

- •Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm. Proverbs 13:20
- •Do not make friends with a hottempered person, do not associate with one easily angered, or you may learn their ways... Prov. 22:24-25

•Do not be hasty in the laying on of hands, and do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure. 1 Timothy 5:22

- •Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."
 - 1 Corinthians 15:33

 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the worldthe lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of lifecomes not from the Father but from the world. 1 John 2:15-16

Partner verses: 2 Corinthians 6:14, 17a

- •Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do
 - righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?
- •Therefore, "Come out from them and be separate, says the Lord.

Partner verses: Psalm 1:1-2

 Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night.

Partner verses: Psalm 1:3

 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither-whatever they do prospers.

Partner verses: Psalm 1:4-5

•Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

Partner verses: Psalm 1:6

•For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding: in all your ways submit to him (partner with him), and he will make your paths straight.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Conclusion to Today's Text

Therefore do not be partners with them (those who are disobedient). Ephesians 5:7 And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit. Ephesians 2:22 Conclusion to Today's Text

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another... Hebrews 10:24-25 Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.