

"To Know Him and Make Him Known"

First Baptist Church

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Pastor's Paragraph

Lessons from the Philippine Snout Weevil

A recent World Magazine article by Julie Borg highlighted a study concerning the colorful wings of a Philippine snout weevil. Just the name of the insect was enough to catch my attention! Apparently, this little creature is one of the most colorful specimens in all of creation. "The snout weevil sports circular scales arranged in concentric circles of colors ranging from blue in the center to red on the outside-the same order as the colors of the rainbow." The interesting thing is that the colors are made by three-dimensional crystal structures that reflect the light in different ways depending on their size and arrangement. This means that the bright color is visible from any angle. Scientists have been unable to replicate this natural phenomenon. Science keeps coming up with new and wonderful inventions, but all of our modern technology has not yet caught up to the snout weevil. Out of curiosity, I looked up the most expensive TV that was for sale at Nebraska Furniture Mart. It is a 98" 8K UHD Smart LED TV for \$70,000. I'm thinking about getting a couple of those for my house! I can envision a future scientific breakthrough where the most expensive new TV is the cutting edge "Snout Weevil" TV which mimics the natural color display that God created in a lowly beetle. Viewers can see the fine-tuned color display from any angle without any distortion! Perhaps you could buy expensive snout weevil paint that provides more vivid and long-lasting color to your home!



Science is amazing, and I'm sure that wonderful scientific breakthroughs will continue to improve our lives. However, it always lags far behind the glory and magnificence of God's creation. Some people think that that science and faith are at enmity with one another. The tendency is to compartmentalize them. Science belongs in one sphere, and faith belongs in another sphere, we are told. But, that isn't quite true. God is the God of both spheres. True science never contradicts God's eternal truth. It is true that many scientists are at enmity with God. That is because of the hardness and stubbornness of their heart. Science does not lead us away from God, it points us directly to the Creator. We don't need to argue with science. We need more science. The more we learn about the snout weevil, the more vividly we see the majesty of our Sovereign Creator. ~Pastor

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SS 9:15 AM Worship 10:30 AM Bible/Prayer 6 PM Youth Group 6 PM				1	2	3 Trustees' Mtg 8:00 PM
4 AM Communion	5 Prayer 7 PM	6 Deacons' Mtg 7:00 PM	7	8	9	10
11	12 Prayer 7 PM	13	14	15 	16	17
18	19 Prayer 7 PM	20	21	22	23	24
25 Promotion Sunday	26 Prayer 7 PM	27	28  AWANA Workers' Meeting 6:30 PM	29	30	31



AWANA Registration Open House

Our AWANA Registration Open House is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4th, at 6:30 PM! First official club night is Wednesday, September 11th.

AWANA Workers' Meeting

If you are interested in helping with AWANA, please come to the meeting on Wednesday, August 28th, at 6:30 p.m.!



Riddles

What time of day was Adam created?
[Just a little before Eve]
What kind of man was Boaz before he married Ruth?
[Absolutely Ruthless]
Who is the greatest babysitter mentioned in the Bible?
[David—he rocked Goliath to a very deep sleep]

Some Final Thoughts

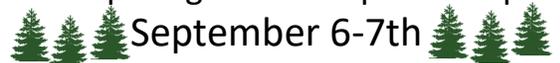
Don't let your worries get the best of you. Remember: Moses started out as a basket case.



Happiness keeps you sweet,
Trials keep you strong,
Sorrows keep you human,
Failures keep you humble,
Success keeps you glowing,
But only God keeps you going!

Men's Retreat

Whispering Cedars Baptist Camp
September 6-7th



Summer Prayer

Creator of all, thank You for summer!
Thank You for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight.
Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation.
Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season.
Draw me closer to You this summer.
Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing.
Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence, and light my path with Your Word and Counsel.
As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You.
Amen.