

Bay City Wesleyan Church
September 9, 2018

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Sunday Morning 09-09-2018

Jesus promised, "You will bear fruit, lots of fruit, lasting fruit." John 15:5

Let's pray at 1:55 PM daily to see Jesus producing fruit in and through us.

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Claiming the promise in 2018

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The Promise:

If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. (John 15:5)

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PREACHING WITHOUT A NET!

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Some people say, "YOU CAN'T ASK QUESTIONS IN CHURCH."

But we say, "OH YES, YOU CAN!"

You can start the new school year asking those questions on Fresh Start Sunday, September 16th at 10:45 am. No sermon to sit through. Just a Live Q & A session.

What questions would you like to ask? You'll be able to text them anonymously. Our pastor, Mark Haines will not see them until they go live on the screen. He'll be preaching without a net.

Heather Dorniden Takes a Fall But Still Wins the Race

The race isn't over until you cross the finish line.

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Zoe Koplowitz is a marathon runner who is afflicted with multiple sclerosis and diabetes

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Philippians 3:7-14 NIV

7</small> But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8</small> What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for

whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ 9</small> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christâ€”the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. 10</small> I want to know Christâ€”yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11</small> and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. 12</small> Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. 13</small> Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14</small> I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

<https://bible.com/bible/111/php.3.7-14.NIV>

Sermon in a Sentence:

Following Jesus demands development as the Holy Spirit directs us in his dynamic dance of grace.

The race isnâ€™t over until you cross the finish line.

We need to grow in love for God and for others until his love rules.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:14 AMP

14</small> For the love of Christ controls and compels us, because we have concluded this, that One died for all, therefore all died;

<https://bible.com/bible/1588/2co.5.14.AMP>

Philippians 3:15-16 NLT

15</small> Let all who are spiritually mature agree on these things. If you disagree on some point, I believe God will make it plain to you. 16</small> But we must hold on to the progress we have already made.

<https://bible.com/bible/116/php.3.15-16.nlt>

Are you willing to be one who declares that the race isnâ€™t over until you cross the finish line?