

*This Morning's Message*  
The Battle for Joy  
Speaker: Larry Wersen



**F A M I L Y N E W S**

April 23, 2017

*A dark world needs the risen Son!*

**Youth summer camp August 12-17** – Summer's almost here, which means camp is on its way too! Ignition youth are excited to go to Riverview Bible Camp this year: Saturday, August 12th through Thursday, August 17th. There will be ziplines, climbing walls, ropes courses, archery, a pool, a 40' slide, a skate park, and of course all of the big, inflatable water toys (including the blob!). Register today with a \$50 deposit and sign up for the Noah's Boat Float fundraiser. The early bird price of \$275 won't last long so all incoming 7th through 12th graders, invite your friends and bug your parents today!

**His Vets Connected family potluck** – All vets of any branch, status, gender, or age, come and connect with other vets and families for dinner and fellowship this Wednesday, April 26th at 6:00 pm in the Boat Shed. Find out more and sign up at the back table after the service, or contact Wayne Stiles (770-1734, [stiles.wayne4@gmail.com](mailto:stiles.wayne4@gmail.com)) or Greg Reed (770-4986, [gregreedconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:gregreedconsulting@gmail.com)).

**Pool attendant needed** – A pool attendant is needed at our church pool June 1st through 16th, Monday through Friday from 11:30 am to 5:30 pm. Applicants must be able to attend the basic water safety course May 14th from 8:00 am to noon at the Lynnwood YMCA. Contact Kim Burke (757-3111 or [kimb@hisplacechurch.com](mailto:kimb@hisplacechurch.com)) in the office to apply, or for more information.

**"Drive-By Giving" for RFKC** – Plan now to help *Soft Rock KAFE 104.1* and *Crusin' Coffee* support The Royal Family Kids Camp and Club annual "Drive By Giving" on Friday, May 12th from 6:00 am to 10:00 am at the *Crusin' Coffee* locations in Mount Vernon, Anacortes, and Bow Hill. During this time, all tips and donations will go directly to our camp and club for local foster kids. Be sure to stop by and support this great mission! If you have any questions contact Linda Brown at [burlington@royalfamilykids.org](mailto:burlington@royalfamilykids.org).

**FAITHFULNESS IN ACTION: 2017**

Budgeted Income	<b>-0.7%</b>	Missions & Outreach Spent	<b>\$31,445</b>	Average Attendance	<b>875</b>
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***The Art of Marriage this Friday, Saturday*** – An excellent six session video event created by Family Life Today will be hosted at His Place this Friday evening, April 28th and Saturday, April 29th. This engaging and entertaining presentation weaves together deeply personal stories, compelling insights, real life lessons, light-hearted humor, and Biblical wisdom on the fine *Art of Marriage*.

Areas explored include God's design for husbands and wives, deepening communication, overcoming conflict, mutually fulfilling intimacy, and more. The cost is \$50 per couple, and includes manuals and refreshments. Learn more and register at the counter in the lobby. *Unfortunately we are unable to provide childcare.*

***Volunteer opportunities available*** – Several volunteer cleaning positions are available for Mondays or Fridays. Cleaning is twice a month for about an hour, any time between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm. Please sign up with Kim at the table in the back or call 757-3111 if you are available to help.

***Find your fit at His Place*** – Looking for ways to get connected at His Place? Take a few moments and check out the information board at the back of the sanctuary. You'll find individual cards for every ministry and service opportunity there, with descriptions and contact information. Also, you can find visitor information, prayer request forms, family news forms, mailing list forms, and more!

***Abundant Life Retreat*** – The *Abundant Life Retreat* provides a place to spend time with your Creator apart from the hectic pace of life, heart open to hear His voice. The setting at Fort Flagler is a perfect combination of peace, serenity and scenic beauty. Spend a weekend of rest with times of silence, fellowship, sharing meals, praise and worship this Friday evening to Sunday noon, April 28th through 30th. The cost is \$80, and includes meals and lodging. Call Steve or Sharon Schell at 770-3469 with questions and register online at [www.abundantliferetreats.org](http://www.abundantliferetreats.org).

***“Pray for One Another” handouts*** – We are a church that prays for one another! To help with this, a “Pray for One Another” handout is provided to report about health situations in our church family. These are available on Sundays by the double glass door entry. If you would like to request prayer, please turn in a request form found under “Requests” at the information board.

***Three ways to help RFKC and Club*** – *Royal Family Kids Camp* is just around the corner, and we need sponsors to help provide supplies for these kids who come from the local foster care system. This camp is funded solely by donations, and there are several ways to help! 1) Sponsor one of these supplies: Bibles, duffel bags, t-shirts, water bottles, music/media player, camperships, etc. 2) Sell a packet of Noah's Boat Float tickets on behalf of a camper. 3) Pick up one of the 201 envelopes at the table and donate the amount (\$1-\$201) that is on the envelope that you chose.

Last fall we also started the *Royal Family Club and Mentors*. We no longer have to say “goodbye” to these kids after camp but continue to support them through this monthly program.

For more information on sponsoring these programs, visit the table in the back today or contact Linda Brown (camp questions) or Anna Hall (club questions) at [burlington@royalfamilykids.org](mailto:burlington@royalfamilykids.org). Please help make a difference in the lives of abused, neglected, and abandoned children in our community.

***Every Man's Battle*** – Let's face it men, from television to the Internet and print media to the movies, we are constantly bombarded with sensual images. It is impossible to avoid such temptations, but thankfully not impossible to live above them. *Every Man's Battle* provides a practical plan for any man who wants to win the war against sexual temptation and develop a pure mind, heart, and life.

A nine-week group to work through the book with other men will be meeting on Wednesday nights, beginning May 3rd at 6:30 pm in the Chart House. To sign up or learn more, contact Blake Olin (854-8225, [olinblake@hotmail.com](mailto:olinblake@hotmail.com)); or John Birk (757-3111, [johnb@hisplacechurch.com](mailto:johnb@hisplacechurch.com)).

***Prime Time Spring Luncheon*** – “From Grease Pit to Pulpit”, the powerful story of how His Place got its start, will be Larry Wersen's topic as he shares with us at the annual Prime Time Spring Luncheon. Join us for lively music, a great lunch, fun fellowship, and this inspirational message from the founder of His Place.

The luncheon will be held at Creekside (Skagit Sr. Village) next Sunday, April 30th at 12:30 pm. Tickets are on sale today at the table in the back for \$15 per person, or during the week in the church office. We will gladly accommodate special diet requests. Prime Time is the His Place youth group for those age 55+. Contact Sue Casteel at (425) 343-5914 for more information.