



Lewiston Church of Christ

June 6, 2021



Weekly Services

Sun. Bible Study 9:45 AM

Sun. Worship 10:45 AM

Sun. Day/Evening Groups

Wed Bible Study 6:30 PM

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Outreach – Mark Whittaker

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Building – Ken Vogtman

Custodian – Ron & Cindy Roberson

Fellowship – Joe & Carrie Bieren

Grounds – Cody & Doyle Dawes

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New and Improved!

I have seen and heard advertisers promote products with the phrase “new and improved” all my life. Impressed customers have always rewarded this tactic because “old” seems so boring and obsolete.

We have entire networks and programs devoted to something called the “news.” It is a popular industry because millions are attracted by whatever is “new.” Try recording “news” reports for later viewing and see how fast you lose interest.

Today, the “news” is often presented as “click bait”, with headlines or photos to induce a reaction rather than to summarize the report. They use shock and sensation to get us to go where they want us to go. Making viewers mad is more rewarding than making us think. Viewers end up being critical people but not critical thinkers. Reverse that!

Everything the media select for us may be new but not necessarily true. In contrast, the Bible is very old. Its ancient status adds to its credibility. Is truth a recent invention? No. Does truth change with time? No. In fact, time is a good examiner of truth and the Bible has passed the relentless tests of time.

The 66 books that comprise the old and new testaments of the Bible were written by some 40 different inspired authors from a wide variety of places over a time period of 1,000 to 1,600 years, spanning the bronze and iron ages. It represents the mores, idioms, languages, and thought patterns of many various cultures from the beginning of recorded history to the introduction of our Western calendar (around AD 100). And yet, the whole counsel of God’s word holds together as a coherent expression of His perfect will for all time. Even skeptics must be amazed at the unity of its message.

The Bible is a best-seller not because it is “new and improved” but because it is timeless and true. If you want to become new yourself, I recommend that old book. It promises that those who are buried with Jesus Christ in baptism will also be raised with Him to walk in “newness of life” (Romans 6:4). That’s good news because it’s true.