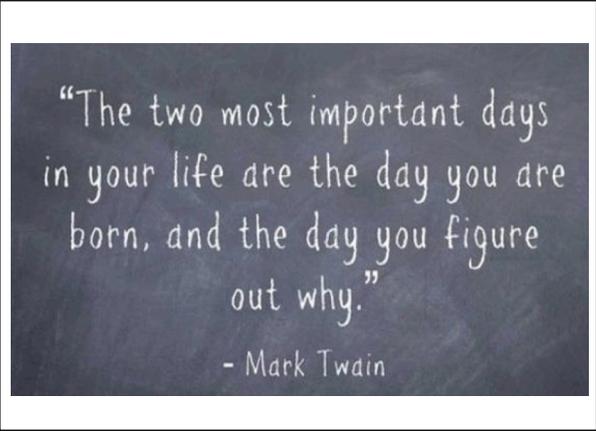


Cross Words

An Inspirational Message

Mark 6: 6b-13



“The two most important days
in your life are the day you are
born, and the day you figure
out why.”

- Mark Twain

Bring It Forth

My daughters were five and seven years old. It was very early on Easter morning and while they were still asleep, I carefully placed a brand new necklace on each of them. When they woke up, I told them I had an Easter gift for them. Keeping with tradition, they would have to try to find the gift and I would tell them if they were warm or cold depending on how close they were to finding it. Of course, they were warm no matter where they looked and they soon discovered the gift was with them wherever they went.

It is also like that with the gift of God’s love. We are always warm because it goes with us wherever we are.

This gift from God is part of our being. It is not only our birthright but it is the reason we’re here...divine love that is given to us to share with our fellow travelers in life.

Figuring out that it must be given away is what we spend a lifetime learning how to do. Some of us discover very early on how to passionately and cheerfully share it with others. Some of us take a bit longer to find ways to bring it forth, and sadly, some of us never quite do our job.

If you have gotten to this point in your life and did not know that you are made in His image, designed to be His hands and feet and heart and voice, and have not noticed the love of Christ was with you all along, then let this be the clue you have desperately needed to hear...

You can’t get any warmer!

Come visit us at First Christian Church, we talk about things like that.