

*Our Blessed Lord Jesus Christ,  
We Desire to Behold Your Glory!*



## **A Bible Conference about the Glories of Christ**

August 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>, and September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 (Labour Day Weekend)

Sponsored by Horse Lake Christian Fellowship

Located at the Good News Centre in 100 Mile House, B.C.

# Conference Theme

**When the Holy Spirit used Luke** to write the paragraph on the Lord's dealings with the two disciples on the Emmaus road (Luke 24.13-32), He placed at the very beginning the key information we would need to understand. His opening word, *"Behold!"* rivets our attention on the two, then He states what we need to know about them. First, they were *"of them"* – that is, they were part of the group described in verse 9, the group which comprised *"the apostles and all the rest,"* the group to which the women on that same morning had brought their report of an empty tomb and a meeting with angels who reported the resurrection of the Lord Jesus and asked them to remember the words of the Lord Himself who had predicted both His own death and resurrection. But neither they nor the apostles believed the women's message, concluding that it was *"like an idle tale."* And, secondly, the two disciples of the Emmaus road took the additional step of voting with their feet, not even waiting out the remainder of the day of the Lord's resurrection but then and there walking out of Jerusalem and out of the life they had lived with the band of the disciples of the Lord Jesus. They concluded that, since Jesus was now dead, they would return home and rebuild their shattered lives without their former hope in Him as their Messiah.

**Perhaps in some measure we can identify with** those two disciples as they walked away. It seemed to them that they had been completely blind-sided by the events of that weekend – the unthinkable had happened and they were completely unprepared for it. Emotionally they were afflicted with a sadness that paralyzed them both in the central core of their heart and in the expression of their face which they could not hide; mentally their thinking was locked in a useless cycle of circular reasoning

which blocked their understanding of either the scriptures or the events of their lives. When the "Stranger" drew near and, having heard them out, gave them His diagnosis, at first it did not make sense: *"Unbelief!"* The remainder of Luke's paragraph demonstrates the method of the Great Physician as He does His healing work in the hearts of His disciples who amid the traumas of life have lost their way. *"And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself"* (24.27)<sup>1</sup>.

**The subject of this conference is** *"the things concerning Himself."* Perhaps in the past we have read this story and felt envious of those two disciples who so profoundly benefited from the Lord's dealing with them on that walk to Emmaus. In the end their confusion turned to understanding; their cold, sad hearts were warmed to a fervent heat; and, above all, they recognized the presence of the Lord Himself with them. Now knowing the way they should take, they changed direction and immediately began to be a blessing to others.

**Come to this conference praying** with us that our blessed God might reveal to us *"the things concerning [His blessed Son]"* and, use these precious truths to revive our spirits and reinvigorate us for the purposes for which He has called us. And, for our part, let us pray that He might help us to prepare our hearts to remove any impediment which could hinder His Holy Spirit from teaching us (John 14.26) and glorifying His Son in us (John 16.14).

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<sup>1</sup> Compare Luke 1.1, *"those things which have been fulfilled among us."*

# Conference Speakers



## DAVID DUNLAP

David was raised in a conservative Christian family in New Jersey and came to Christ while in university through the ministry of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. After graduation he worked in the Wall Street district of New York City at Merrill Lynch. Later he felt God's call to serve Christ full-time and was involved with Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship (NJ) and Operation Mobilization in western Europe. A few years later he joined Richard Haverkamp and Hank Gelling in church planting in Flemish Belgium. He served Christ in that outreach work for eight years.

Upon his return to the United States, he became involved in church planting in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Florida. He helped in the establishment of five different assemblies. He has written five books published by Gospel Folio Press. He currently serves as the president of Cornerstone Magazine and the president of Bible and Life Ministries. He serves as an elder at Land O' Lakes Bible Chapel in Lutz, Florida. He has served the Lord in a full-time capacity for over 40 years. He is married to Faith and is the father of three grown children.



## JONATHAN J. (JJ) ROUTLEY

JJ earned a PhD in Theological Studies from Columbia International University (South Carolina). He teaches Bible, theology, and archaeology classes at Emmaus University in Dubuque, Iowa. JJ previously served at Emmaus in roles of Alumni/Emmaus

Ministries Director and Director of Spiritual Life before moving into full-time teaching. He has also taught courses in the Educational Ministries and Inter-Area Studies departments at Emmaus.

JJ has excavated in the land of Israel and serves on the Board of Directors for the Associates for Biblical Research, an archaeological apologetics organization. He also enjoys serving the Lord in an itinerant preaching ministry at numerous camps, conferences, and local churches across the USA. JJ and his wife, Janelle, have two children, Asher and Lillian. They attend Arbor Oaks Bible Chapel in Dubuque, Iowa.



# The Plenary Sessions

1. The Glory of the Person of Christ (JJ Routley)  
(Plenary session #1 – Saturday morning)
2. The Glory of the Character of Christ (JJ Routley)  
(Plenary session #2 – Saturday evening)
3. The Glory of the Death of Christ (David Dunlap)  
(Plenary session #2 – Saturday evening)
4. The Glory of the Resurrection of Christ (David Dunlap)  
(Plenary session #3 – Sunday morning)
5. The Glory of the Ascension and High Priestly Ministry of Christ  
(David Dunlap)  
(Plenary session #4 – Sunday evening)
6. The Glory of the Second Coming of Christ (JJ Routley)  
(Plenary session #5 – Monday morning)

And the Word became flesh  
and dwelt among us,  
and we beheld His glory,  
the Glory as of the only begotten of the Father,  
full of grace and truth.

“Father, I desire  
that they also whom You gave Me  
may be with Me where I am,  
that they may behold My glory  
which You have given Me,  
for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.”

*(John 1.14; 17.24)*

# The Seminars

Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 10.45 to Noon

A

- **Locations:** The Good News Centre and the Creekside Centre
- **Two concurrent seminars** – choose one.
  - The Glory of the Emotions of Christ (JJ Routley)
  - The Amazing Potential of a Small or Very Small Assembly (David Dunlap)

## **The Glory of the Emotions of Christ (JJ Routley)**

The world today strongly emphasizes our emotions, perhaps to a fault. God created human beings in His image, and part of that image includes feeling emotions. Yet sin has infiltrated even our ability to feel in a way that is honouring and pleasing to the Lord. This seminar seeks to reorient our understanding of human emotion through examining the life of Christ and His perfect emotions. As we look at how the Savior felt in response to the different circumstances of His life, we can gain encouragement and wisdom for how to handle our emotions well and how to glorify God with our feelings.

## **The Amazing Potential of a Small or Very Small Assembly (David Dunlap)**

Is a big church more effective than a small church? This is one of the Devil's great lies. God has designed small New Testament churches to be among His most powerful weapons in reaching the world for Christ. Repeatedly God reveals in the Bible that He loves to use small things. He would rather use weakness over strength, humility over pride, brokenness over self-confidence. He used five smooth stones and a shepherd boy to defeat Goliath. A small or very small assembly which is hungry for the things of God is a mighty thing in the hands of God. "Never underestimate what God can do with so-called ordinary people who are led by God to serve Him" (Alexander Strauch. We will examine how a small or very small assembly can make an impact for God.

# The Seminars

# B

Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2.00 to 3.15 PM

- **Locations:** The Good News Centre and the Creekside Centre
- **Two concurrent seminars** – choose one.
  - The Glory of Christ in the Life of a Local Church (JJ Routley)
  - The Subtle Dangers of Legalism, part one (David Dunlap)

## **The Glory of Christ in the Life of the Local Church (JJ Routley)**

What practical fruits does knowing and meditating on the glory of Christ produce for the life of the local church? More than you might initially think! This seminar will focus on practically applying the conference's emphasis on the glory of Christ to our local churches. We will first note several benefits of being preoccupied with the glory of Christ and then seek to generate ideas for increasing an awareness of the glory of Jesus in our assemblies. Time will be devoted to application through brainstorming and group discussion.

## **The Subtle Dangers of Legalism, part one (David Dunlap)**

It has been well said that "legalism destroys." From the early days of the church legalism has thrown Christians off course and burdened them. Legalism has been the cause of the demise of many once vibrant Christians, outreach ministries, and local churches. In the gospels Christ was determined to challenge the legalism of the Pharisees and Jewish leaders. It is important to understand that legalists are not just those with higher standards or more rules than others. Legalism is much more serious and dangerous than that. Legalistic thinking will lead us to measure our standing before God by our feelings and efforts. Legalistic attitudes will cause us to lay heavy burdens upon one another. Legalistic mindsets will lead Christians to believe that by engaging in certain activities, imitating certain behaviours, wearing certain clothes, or reading certain books will raise our position before God without regard to the condition of our heart. This seminar will look at what legalism is, its dangers, its subtle traps, and what are remedies for it.

*(Note that this is a double-length seminar: In order to allow adequate time for case presentations, questions, and group discussion this session will run from 2.00 PM to 4.45 PM.)*



# The Seminars



**Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 3.30 to 4.45 PM**

- **Locations:** The Good News Centre and the Creekside Centre
- **Two concurrent seminars** – choose one.
  - The Necessity of Theology in the Life of the Local Church (JJ Routley)
  - The Subtle Dangers of Legalism, part two (David Dunlap)

## **The Necessity of Theology in the life of the Local Church (JJ Routley)**

“We don’t need more theology; we need practical application!” So goes the motto popular among some preachers of the Word today. But theology is always practical in Scripture, and if we say we know something, but do not practice what we preach, do we really know it at all? This session aims to clarify the place and priority of doctrine in the local assembly, correct misunderstandings and misconceptions, and demonstrate the fundamental necessity of a commitment to doctrinal integrity at the level of local church leadership.

## **The Subtle Dangers of Legalism, part two (David Dunlap)**

See the description of the double-length seminar on page 6.



**Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, 4.00 to 5.30 PM**

- **Location:** The Good News Centre
- Only one seminar planned at this time
  - The Personal Testimony of JJ Routley

## **The Personal Testimony of JJ Routley**

In this session, JJ Routley will share his testimony of God’s grace and faithfulness in his life. Beginning with his salvation as a boy, JJ will speak about how God called him to preach and teach the Word. Special focus will be given to his teaching ministry at Emmaus and his archaeological experiences excavating in Israel.

# Conference Schedule

Friday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

- 7.00 – 9.00 PM Conference registration begins

Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>

- 8.30 AM Conference registration continues
- 9.00 – 10.30 AM Plenary session #1 at the Good News Centre  
*The Glory of the Person of Christ (JJ Routley)*
- 10.45 – Noon Seminar A at the Good News Centre and Creekside Centre
- 12.15 PM **Lunch at the Community Hall**
- 2.00 – 3.15 PM Seminar B at the Good News Centre and Creekside Centre
- 3.30 – 4.45 PM Seminar C at the Good News Centre and Creekside Centre
- 5.00 PM **Dinner at the Community Hall**
- 7.00 PM Plenary session #2 at the Good News Centre  
*The Glory of the Character of Christ (JJ Routley)*  
*The Glory of the Death of Christ (David Dunlap)*  
**Light refreshments served following meeting**

Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup>

- 9.00 – 10.30 AM The Lord's Supper at the Good News Centre
- 11.00 AM Plenary session #3 at the Good News Centre  
*The Glory of the Resurrection of Christ (David Dunlap)*  
Sunday School for children up to age 11
- 1.00 PM **Lunch at the Community Hall**
- 4.00 – 5.30 PM Seminar D at the Good News Centre  
*The Personal Testimony of JJ Routley*
- 5.30 PM **Light supper at the Good News Centre**
- 7.00 PM Plenary session #4 at the Good News Centre  
*The Glory of the Ascension and High Priestly Ministry of Christ (David Dunlap)*  
Q and A session with JJ and David  
**Light refreshments served following meeting**

Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>

- 9.00 – 10.30AM Plenary session #5 at the Good News Centre  
*The Glory of the Second Coming of Christ (JJ Routley)*  
**Light refreshments served following meeting**

*Bus transportation is available for those who would like transport from the Good News Centre to other Conference locations and then back to the Good News Centre.*



# Youth Events



## 1. Youth Hostel

- During the Conference weekend Horse Lake Christian Fellowship will offer a hostel for young people at two locations.
- Sleeping accommodation with access to washrooms and showers will be provided.
- Breakfasts will be available on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday mornings. Late evening snacks and devotional talks will be given on Saturday and Sunday evenings.
- The purpose of the youth hostel is to give young people opportunities for fellowship. We realize that this is a busy weekend, but also that it is important to balance meetings with time for rest and personal fellowship.
- What to bring: Sleeping bag, pillow, towel, personal items
- How to register: register online or by phone to Jennifer Flokstra at 250-395-0549.
- Where to go when you arrive: Go to the conference registration desk at the Good News Centre and mention that you would like to stay at the Youth Hostel.

## 2. Youth Activities

- Recreational activities will be planned for Sunday afternoon following lunch. More information will be available on Saturday at the hostel.

### Children and Young Families Welcome!

A children's program, including Bible lessons and activities, will be offered concurrently with each of the conference sessions on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. On Sunday morning a Sunday School will be available for children during the 11.00 AM session, and a children's program during the 7.00 PM session. Children of ages three through eleven are welcome to these sessions. If you want your children to participate in the children's program, please advise us, if possible, when you register online or by phone to Jennifer Flokstra at 250-395-0549.



A nursery and a crib room will be available in the Good News Centre where parents may care for children less than three years old. Parents of toddlers may wish to collaborate with other parents at the conference to share in the care of their very young children during some of the conference sessions. Please contact us if you would like us to help facilitate these arrangements.

# Accommodation

- 1 Hotel, motel and bed-and-breakfast facilities are available in the town of 100 Mile House and at other locations in the South Cariboo area. Please contact us if you need more information.
- 2 Camping: Several RV parks are available. Ask us for information.
- 3 Please contact us if your situation does not permit you to take advantage of any of the commercially available accommodations.

## BOOKS AND DISPLAYS

Horse Lake Christian Fellowship operates a year-round Christian book/resource centre which we call “The Store at the Good News Centre.” In addition, as at past conferences, a second bookstore will be located at the Community Hall site. Both bookstores will be stocked with excellent Christian literature. Both of our Conference speakers this year are published authors, and the stores will carry copies of their books. The Store at the Good News Centre will be open prior to and following the plenary sessions except on Sunday morning. The bookstore at the Community Hall will be open when we are enjoying meals at that location.



### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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*Please register online at [hlcf.org/conf-reg.html](http://hlcf.org/conf-reg.html)  
or by phoning Jennifer Flokstra at 250-395-0549.*

# Conference Locations

## Good News Centre

5827 Horse Lake Road, 100 Mile House



- Registration Desk
- All plenary sessions
- Some seminar sessions on Saturday and Sunday
- Light dinner on Sunday
- Light refreshments after evening sessions.
- Nursery and crib room
- The Store
- Youth hostel – breakfasts
- The Lord's Supper on Sunday morning

## Youth Training Centre

across Horse Lake Road from Good News Centre



- Children's program throughout Conference except Sunday morning at the Good News Centre
- Youth sessions – late

evening snacks, singing, devotionals

## 100 Mile House Community Hall

Birch Avenue, 100 Mile House



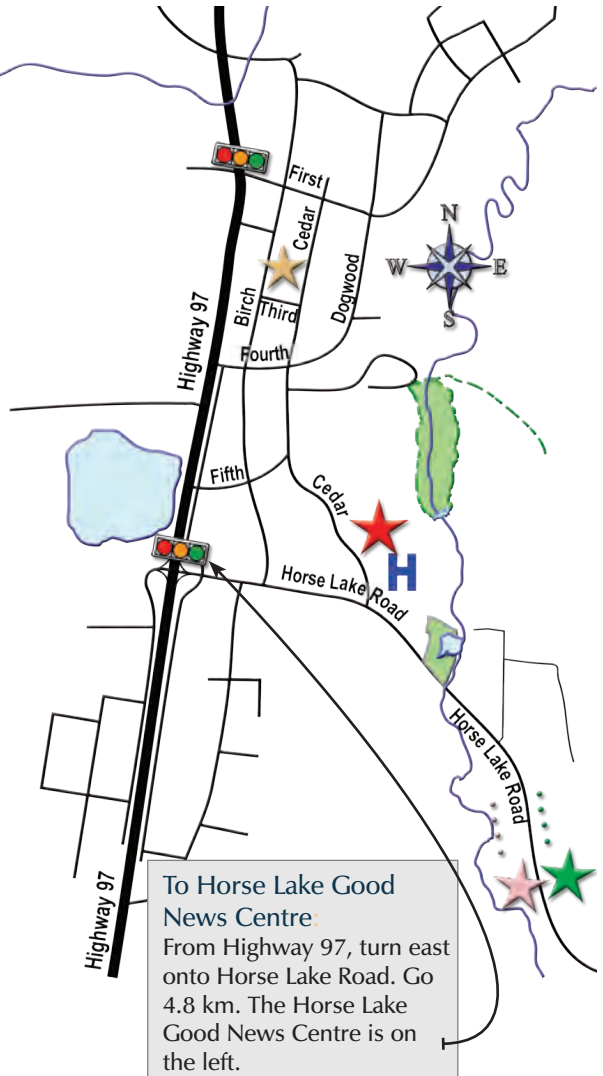
- Meals – lunch and dinner on Saturday and lunch on Sunday
- Conference bookstore

## Creekside Seniors Centre

501 Cedar Avenue, 100 Mile House



- Some seminar sessions on Saturday



# He Shall Bear the Glory

Zechariah 6.13

Sing to God, my spirit, sing!  
Joyful praise and worship bring!  
He whom sinners mocked as King-  
He shall bear the glory.

He in lowly guise who came,  
Bore the spitting and the shame;  
His the highest place and name –  
He shall bear the glory.

He who wept above the grave,  
He who stilled the raging wave –  
Meek to suffer, strong to save,  
He shall bear the glory.

He who sorrow's pathway trod,  
He that every good bestow'd –  
Son of Man and Son of God,  
He shall bear the glory.

He who bled with scourging sore,  
Thorns and scarlet meekly wore;  
He who every sorrow bore –  
He shall bear the glory.

Monarch of the smitten cheek,  
Scorn of both the Jew and Greek,  
Priest and King, divinely meek –  
He shall bear the glory.

Where the thorn-wreath pressed His brow  
Sits the priestly mitre now;  
With the many crowns, O how  
He shall bear the glory.

On the rainbow circled throne –  
'Mid the myriads of His own –  
Nevermore to weep alone,  
He shall bear the glory.

MAN of slighted Nazareth –  
KING who wore the thorny wreath –  
SON obedient unto death –  
He shall bear the glory.

His the grand "eternal weight";  
His the priestly-regal state;  
Him the Father maketh great –  
He shall bear the glory.

He who died to set me free;  
He who lives and loveth me;  
He who comes – whom I shall see;  
Jesus only, only He –  
He shall bear the glory.

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