

**Sunday, September 27, 2015**

### **Belong Tour 2016**

We have 25 tickets on an exclusive Ministry Hold until October 20, 2015.

**Tickets are \$105 and must be reserved and paid for by Sunday,**

**October 18.** Any unpaid tickets will be released. See Melissa to reserve your space today or you can sign up at the Giving Kiosk!

**Melissa -**

**melissa@theorchardlife.com**



### **Sunday Growth Group | Room 206 | 11-12**

This open Growth Group is hosted and led by Jay & Roz Fowler and Steve & Connie Casey. If a week night is hard to juggle, this could be your group! Consider attending & participate in Christ-centered community while taking the message deeper into our lives.

### **Journey to Wholeness Training (Formerly SOZO)**

10/30 | 6:30 PM | 10/31 | 9 AM | \$85

Journey to Wholeness is a unique healing ministry that gently brings truth and healing to areas of wounding, frees you from negative mindsets, and deepens your relationship with Jesus, Father God and Holy Spirit.



**Register at [www.journeytowholenessrfv.eventbrite.com](http://www.journeytowholenessrfv.eventbrite.com)**



### **VENDORS WANTED**

#### **2nd Annual Christmas Market**

#### **at The Gathering Center**

A CHRISTMAS MARKET FEATURING NUMEROUS VENDORS & ARTISANS FROM AROUND THE VALLEY

SAT 11/28 | 10 am - 3 pm

SUN 11/29 | 11 am - 2 pm

Lunch Fundraiser Benefiting Orchard Missions Trips

**Melissa -**

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### **Student Ministry Is Back!**

Fusion - 9th - 12th Grade | Wednesdays 7-9 PM

Alive! | 6th - 8th Grade | Thursdays 6:30-8 PM

**Kara - [kara@theorchardlife.com](mailto:kara@theorchardlife.com)**



#### **Cornerstone School of Ministry with Bethel Supernatural School of Ministry**

Oct. 7 - May 2016

Wed | 5:30 - 9:30 PM and 1 Sat / month 9 AM-4 PM

This is a two year course. Fee is \$650 per student plus the cost of required reading materials. There is a couples discount.

**Mary Driscoll - [marydriscoll39@yahoo.com](mailto:marydriscoll39@yahoo.com)**

**September Prayer Focus is the Fulk Family, serving in Uganda doing evangelism and discipleship with the Karamojong people**

### **Ride to Church Needed 3rd Sunday of the Month!**

Jimmy Duke needs a ride to and from The Orchard on the 3rd Sunday of the month. If you can help out, please contact **Clayton Collier:**

**[clayton.collier@bankofcolorado.com](mailto:clayton.collier@bankofcolorado.com)**

### **CMC Students of Faith Club 'Love Walks' Weekly Meeting**

Tuesday Nights | 6:30 PM | Recker Room @ Spring Valley

40 students have signed up and 20 have been regularly attending!

Everyone is welcome!

**<https://www.facebook.com/groups/cmccchristians/>**

**Phil Halliwell - [phalliwell@coloradomtn.edu](mailto:phalliwell@coloradomtn.edu)**

### **Biblical/Spiritual Counseling Available**

Doug Self, Pastor Emeritus, is on our staff to provide help for you when you face life's problems or a desire to grow spiritually. This consultation opportunity also includes helping people with relational difficulties, especially marriage/family challenges. Or, you may be struggling with your faith or have questions about the Bible, other religions, etc... **Doug Self - [Peakdog@theorchardlife.com](mailto:Peakdog@theorchardlife.com)**

#### **HOST YOUR EVENT AT THE GATHERING CENTER!**

Birthdays | Weddings | Corporate | Non-Profit | Showers | Anniversaries | Holiday Parties | and More

**Melissa@TheOrchardLife.com**

**Book Your 2015 Christmas Party!**



# The Temptation of Jesus

Luke 4:1-12

Jesus' encounter in the wilderness on his fast, sets the trajectory for his whole ministry and gives us hope.

## Growth Group Questions

What foods are the most tempting to you? Have you ever fasted? How long & what was the purpose? What was the best and worst of it?

Pull out your notes from Sunday's message, what stood out to you & what do you want to take with you as you move forward?

**READ Luke 4:1-13.** Charley talks about this being the third temptation; what were the first two and what is the significance of Jesus overcoming temptation here in Luke?

Jesus was perfect, sinless, & prior to the temptation, affirmed by God at His baptism, yet here he encounters hardship in a very real way. Discuss the pervasive belief that if we "do good then God will keep bad things from happening to me." Most say they do not believe it yet when hardship comes, our behavior reveals it.

**READ Luke 4:1-2.** What are your beliefs on Satan? Real, not real, a concept? The Bible repeatedly & clearly reveals that Satan is real & waging war on God's people- have you ever felt this battle in your own life? Discuss this quote by theologian, Keyser Söze, "the greatest trick the devil ever pulled was convincing the world he did not exist." There is a progression to the temptations, from small to larger. How can standing in small temptations lead to prevailing in larger ones? In our life, our largest failings are usually preceded by smaller ones- how have you seen this in your own life? What small temptations are you fighting today that unchecked could lead to larger ones in the years to come?

**READ Luke 4:5** & notice the word "showed." What role does our imagination play when it comes to temptation? Our imaginations are a gift from God, how can we use them to create life & avoid temptation?

What is your usual mode of not giving in to temptation? Look at how Jesus combats temptation; **reREAD Luke 4:4, 8, & 12** - Interesting, Jesus did NOT use His divine power to fight temptation, does anyone know what Jesus is using here to defeat it?

If the Bible is our defense against the enemy's temptation, how good of a defense do you have? Other than John 3:16, what verses do you have in your arsenal to fight with?

If you could combat temptation like Jesus did, how would your life be different?

**Assignment:** What is your greatest area of spiritual attack? (anxiety, anger, lust, insecurity, addiction, laziness, greed, power, etc) Find a verse for that very issue (Google "Bible verses for \_\_\_\_\_") and memorize it! Use it daily to defeat the incoming attacks.

**Scripture** - Ask the lord to lead you to the specific part of the scripture that is for this time; often it will be a phrase, single verse or several verse.

**Observation** - What are you seeing in these specific verses - make all the observation you can about what the verses say and mean.

**Application** - Ask the Lord to show you how these verses apply to today's world, our community, our church your life in general and today in particular.

**Prayer** - Turn your scripture, observations and application insights into a prayer asking God to specifically bring about this word into your life today.

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## 5x5 SOAP

**Please study these verses over the next week in preparation for the sermon next Sunday.**

Day 1: Luke 4:13-21

Day 2: Isaiah 61

Day 3: Leviticus 25:8-14

Day 4: Luke 4:22-30

Day 5: Matthew 13: 53-58| Mark 6:1-6

### A Note On Funding The Orchard's Vision & Mission

Tithes and offerings of the people committed to the Vision & Mission of The Orchard are what support our Ministry. We do not "pass the plate". Offering boxes are located at both entrances of the auditorium. You can also give by credit/debit card at the Giving Kiosk in the Gathering Center Entrance. You may also give on-line at [www.TheOrchardLife.com](http://www.TheOrchardLife.com) or complete an envelope if you wish to give via credit/debit card.

**September Total:** \$42,486

**September Budget:** \$58,577

**YTD Received through August 31:** \$546,820

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