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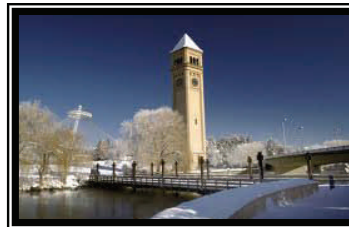
I Peter 1:7 ^{NASB}

So that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

It's All About Him

This month we welcome ourselves to the shortest month of the year. February is the only month that has less than 30 days; most years 28 days but this year being a leap year it has 29 days. It is a very special day for those of you who were born on a leap year. I always find myself with great expectations for this month. I am always over anxious for spring and February always starts my yearning. For this reason the shortest month most always feels like the longest month. February also is the month to reflect on how we are doing as the year progresses. Last month we spoke of new beginnings. How are we doing with that? This very question should be revealing to us. Are we attempting that new beginning in our own power or are we putting our dependence on God? "It's all about Him." I Peter 1:7 says; "So that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by

fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ."^{NASB} The old saying; "Jesus is the answer" truly is the key to being successful in our quest to a new beginning and a better life. Is our quest a challenging one? Indeed it is. As we grow older we also grow wiser, at least we hope we do. There is a saying; "We grow old to soon and smart to late." There is help for the journey. Psalm 145:18 tells us; The LORD is near to all who call upon Him in truth."^{NASB} God is an ever present help. If we by faith put our trust in Him He will guide our steps and move us forward on our journey. "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5,6 ^{NASB} Again I say "It's all about Him." Our Maker through many and differing circumstances is



trying to teach us that the secret to a new life, a new beginning, is not about self reliance. Yes, He has made us to be talented and intelligent beings, but He longs for us His creation to look to Him for the direction only He can give to overcome our short sightedness and our propensity to selfish desires. Truly for all things to become new we must be made new ourselves. This newness of life is only found in the life, the death and the resurrection of Jesus Christ. This new beginning is found in a relationship with God's Son who took the penalty of our sin upon Himself dying on a cross shedding His blood for the forgiveness of sin. This is done by faith only when we come to the end of self. Truly a new beginning! **Rob Hill**

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Monthly Reading

**I Peter Chapter 1
Christian Suffering and Conduct
in Light of Full Salvation**

Did You Know?

This month we will be starting a series of CISM (Critical Incident Stress Management) Classes. These classes are designed to teach participants the fundamentals of individual and group crisis intervention. The Individual class will be held February 23rd and 24th at 8 AM to 4:30 PM at the Sheriff's Training Center 10319 E Appleway Spokane Valley, WA 99206. March 29th and 30th will be the Group class also 8 AM to 4:30 PM at the Training Center. May 2nd 3rd & 4th (3days) will be a combined class for those who need both classes. There is more information at spokanecism.org You may also contact Curt Quaschnick at 477-6625 or E mail: cquaschnick@spokanesherrif.org.