



FROM THE HEAD'S HEART

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Good morning parents,

The winter blast in the last few days hopefully gave us all a chance to spend quality time together with our families and enjoy some rest from the hectic pace we keep so often. We are such busy people that we forget how wonderful it is to be free without so much activity and have the time to spend with family and just relax. As I thought about the busyness of our lives, God reminded me that we could learn a lot about how to live and enjoy life from watching young children.

One of the greatest joys that I have in life is that of being around the preschool and early elementary children who are so full of life, love, and joy. Do not get me wrong I do love the older kids too but the innocence of these young ones is where we could learn the most. Their smiles continually light my day as I pass them in the hallways or pop into their room. These kids are living life the way that God intended for them to live. They are living a life free from stress and worry.

Our world is so focused on the negatives, what's wrong, what cannot be done, not what can be done, what's ugly, and not what's beautiful. I thank God that these young ones do not live that way. They are still able to see the beauty of a beautiful flower and are captivated by the majesty of a butterfly. These kids love unconditionally and laugh uncontrollably. We all could use a little bit of those things in our lives.

As I thought of the way the kids look at life, I stopped and remembered that the way they live is really the way that God intended all of us to live. Jesus said in John 10:10: **I have come that you might have life and that you might have it more abundantly.** My heart's desire is that we would all seize God's vision that we might really experience life the way He intended.

Vision is the ability to see God's presence, His power, and to focus on Him in spite of the obstacles that we have in our life. May God grant us all the courage to seek the abundant life that Jesus promised in John chapter ten and allow Him to place a lot more love and laughter in our lives.

If you have not re-enrolled yet, please do so tomorrow as we open to the public on Wednesday and I do not want you to lose your spot for next year. We have so many exciting things planned for next year as our school continues to grow its programs. You will see in the coming weeks a lot of information regarding those improvements in our programs.

Finally, our annual Father /Daughter Prayer Breakfast will be held Friday, February 12th at 7:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center. This is always a special time in the life of our school and will be a great memory for dads and daughters. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to ronnie.plyler@fbcit.org so that we can prepare for you and your daughter that day. As the father of three girls, I cannot wait to see how God is going to bless us that day.

Blessings,
Rick Calloway