



Eagle Council 50

Saturday, 9/24/22

8:30 am

Speaker: Baker, Rev. C. Chris – Chris Baker is one of the founding members of Wildwood Christian School (renamed Heritage Classical Christian Academy, Fenton Missouri) a classical Christian school for grades 7-12, where he served for fifteen years as the school’s first Headmaster, Humanities instructor, and Vision caster. In addition, he has conducted classical education workshops and seminars in Arizona, Texas, and Hawaii. To promote the benefits and method of Christian Classical Education, he has been a conference speaker and fill-in radio host. Baker is now a “retired” minister (if such a thing exists) preaching, teaching, and mentoring as opportunities are made available.

Title: *The Method and Value of Classical Education*

Outline:

- Education is best understood as one generation exercising wholesome influence over the next generation by bringing light into the mind and shedding light on the path of life.
- “Classical” Education is a method of teaching young learners how to learn, and giving them the tools of learning (Latin, Logic, and Rhetoric) and enabling them to be lifelong learners. It is also introducing them to the best literature (The Great Books) and the best thoughts of mankind.
- The value of classical education is its ability to inspire human excellence as a *telos*, i.e., an end, and to enable participation in the enduring conversation concerning the purpose of life as a pursuit of goodness, beauty, and truth.

Action:

Learn as much as you can about classical education. If you have not received a classical education, it’s never too late. Find some way for your children or grandchildren to be introduced to classical education.

Resources:

An American Classical Education | An inside view of the work Hillsdale College is doing - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PSHOx_36dAo

The Society for Classical Education - <https://societyforclassicallearning.org/>

An Attractive School Choice - <https://www.manhattan-institute.org/classical-education-attractive-school-choice-parents>

The Philosophy of Classical Education With Leslie Moeller - <https://chalkboardreview.com/the-philosophy-of-classical-education-with-leslie-moeller/>

Classical Conversations – Homeschool Course - <https://classicalconversations.com/>

The Classical Difference - Franklin Classical Academy - <https://www.classicaldifference.com/founders-spotlight-george-grant/>