



The Bedford city jail where Bunyan likely endured some of his 12 year imprisonment.



LIVING ON UNSEEN THINGS

The Key to John Bunyan's Christian Journey

Making progress is difficult, especially in the Christian life and ministry. The world is against us. The evil one is against us. Our own flesh is against us. We are pilgrims on earth, and we travel a hard road to heaven. The path is narrow, often steep and slippery. The way is lined with naysayers hurling insults and discouragements toward us. We are afflicted, perplexed, persecuted, and perhaps even struck down and dying.

Yet, the difficult Christian journey demonstrates God's perfections *more* than if there was no journey (meaning if God took us

to heaven immediately) or if the journey was always triumphant (meaning if crowds applauded and praised us all along the way).

One compelling witness to the demanding and God-exalting Christian journey was John Bunyan. Author of *The Pilgrim's Progress*, he was imprisoned for more than 12 years for preaching the gospel. He was separated from his wife and four children, the oldest of whom was blind. How did he endure? Bunyan endured by **LIVING ON UNSEEN THINGS**.

To *live on* something means to survive solely by consuming a certain thing. *Unseen things* are the "not" seen, the things hidden from the natural man's sight such as God's

promises. We will not work and pray and suffer and sojourn and die to the glory of God unless we, too, live on unseen things.

Pray for us as we learn from Bunyan to walk the pilgrim's path at the S R M M X.

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"So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are not seen are eternal." ² Corinthians 4:16-18

Final Check-In begins at the Grace Gym: **Monday, January 25th at 10:00AM.**

Students will return to the Grace campus: **Friday, January 29th by 3:30PM**

ELECTRONICS NOTICE!

Personal cell phones are **not permitted** at the SR10 for any reason. Cell phones and other non-approved electronic devices must be turned in at check-in on Monday and will be given back to the student upon return. Students may use a leader's cell phone in case of an emergency.

TO BRING:

In one (and only 1) suitcase:

- Bible
- writing utensil
- sleeping bag and pillow*
- warm clothes for five days
- a towel and toiletries
- snow clothes and boots
- a bag for wet clothes
- a camera
- money for lunches to and from the retreat
- snacks and snack money

*note: a sleeping bag and pillow are also necessary, and may be included in an additional bag. You may also have a small carry-on bag for the bus ride.

Also, please remember that **all medicine—prescription *and over the counter*—must be in its original labeled container and must be turned in to the camp nurse** during check-in.

TO NOT BRING:

- cell phones
- music players or headphones
- any other electronic device*
- weapons
- illegal substances
- AXE or other types of body spray

*note: personal digital assistants may be used under the condition that they are used only as Bibles and/or note taking devices and NOT for games or other applications.

FOR SKIERS/SNOWBOARDERS:

Those planning on skiing/snowboarding may bring their own equipment, or rent equipment upon arrival at Snoqualmie for \$38. Note: Renting equipment at Snoqualmie requires a credit card for the deposit. Call (425) 434-7669 for details.

Lift tickets are \$57 +tax and must be paid at the Summit.

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