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From the Headmaster

March 13, 2020

Greetings,

The Governor of the state of Washington has just announced that he is closing all schools effective Tuesday, March 17th through April 24th.

We will be preparing the students this Monday for continuing education when the school is closed.

We may be updating you further this weekend.

I firmly believe that this season in our lives, Coronavirus 2020, is a big God-given opportunity. It is an opportunity to teach our kids what 'peace that passes understanding' looks like. It is an opportunity to pray and search the scriptures. It is an opportunity for family time. Let's pray that God gives us the eyes to see how to love Him and love our neighbors in each of the opportunities he sends our direction.

I am going to close out this update with an extended quotation from Charles Spurgeon's *The Treasure of the Psalms*. The text is included below :-)

God Bless,

Charlie Dowers
Headmaster

Treasury of the Psalms Vol II, pg 92 speaking about Psalm 91 vs. 10, which reads "There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling." Here is the quotation:

"The *dwelling* here intended by the original was only a tent, yet the frail covering would prove to be sufficient shelter from harm of all sorts. It matters little whether our abode be a gipsy's hut or a monarch's palace if the should has made the Most High its habitation. Get into God and you dwell in all good, and ill is banished far away. It is not because we are perfect or highly esteemed among men that we can hope for shelter in the day of evil, but because our refuge is the Eternal God, and our faith has learned to hide beneath his sheltering wing...It is impossible that any ill should happen to the man who is beloved of the Lord; the most crushing calamities can only shorten his journey and hasten him to his reward. Ill to him is no ill, but only good in a mysterious form. Losses enrich him, sickness is his medicine, reproach is his honor, death is his gain. NO evil in the strict sense of the word can happen to him, for everything is overruled for good. Happy is he who is in such a case. He is secure where others are in peril, he lives where other die."