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A MATTER OF PERSPECTIVE

A true story by Chris Maxwell

Last night was a different night, a different experience. Some would say it must be the time of year. In this case, they would be correct.

I drove my two oldest sons to “The Field of Screams,” a unique technique of viewing the world around us and inside us. It fits well during this time of year when “witches” and “ghosts” crowd around.

These scenes, though, were not humorous. Talented actors and actresses performed to do more than frighten us. They hoped viewers would never be the same.

My perspective? I think they will achieve that goal.

Local news reporters make fun of this effort. They applaud other groups who highlight darkness, but in an arena that reveals results and reality, they object.

They love to ignore the influence of satanic forces. As my sons and I watched his evil influence in suicide, drunk driving, drug overdose, murder in a classroom, rape, and abortion, I thought about how visible are the results of his invisible self. He hates people so much that he will rob as much as he can. His view must be, “it doesn’t get any better than this.”

The final setting changed things...as it should! Entering a dark room, we saw the Savior crucified. We were told about His death...His death for us...His death for life.

Having heard the story so many times, last night’s reminder of the Light of the world hit me harder after seeing so much darkness. I hope others will look and listen and receive His love.

Christ’s work truly was done well. And in the eternal view, it could never get any better than that.