

Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday January 5, 2014

- Welcome & Announcements
- Invocation
- Musical Praise & Worship
- Junior Church
- Family Prayer
- Scripture Reading..... Acts 19:8-41
- Message.....Pastor John Bellingham
- “THE UNSTOPPABLE WORD OF GOD”**
- Lord’s Supper
- Final Song
- Benediction

Memory Verses for Junior Church:

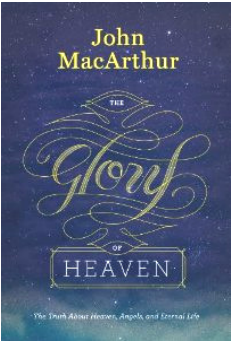
Younger Elementary

“We love because He first loved us.”
1 John 4:19

Middle Elementary

“Yet to all who received Him, to those who believed on His name, He gave the right to become children of God.” John 1:12

New in the Rosedale Library:



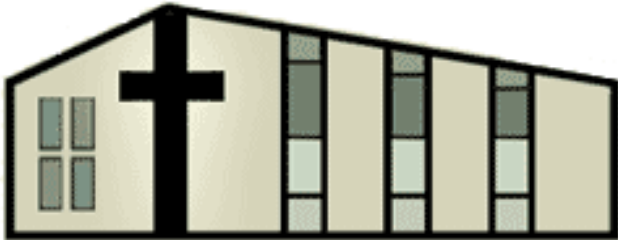
“The Glory of Heaven” by John MacArthur
The truth about heaven, angels and eternal life. If you’re going to call it ‘home’ for eternity, don’t you want to know what it will be like?

Families of the Week

Please remember to encourage and pray for the following families this week.

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| <u>Monday</u> | Riesebosch, Jane |
| <u>Tuesday</u> | Robinsons, Sheila & Percy McKalah |
| <u>Wednesday</u> | Sadowski, Stella |
| <u>Thursday</u> | Sarides, Costa & Isabel |
| <u>Friday</u> | Sarides, Daniella |
| <u>Saturday</u> | Sarides, Nick |

Rosedale Baptist Church



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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This Week at Rosedale

- Monday: Youth Group – 6:30pm
- Tuesday: Men’s Study – 9:30 am
Ladies’ Study – 8:30pm
(Heather Arnold’s house)
- Wednesday: Senior’s Meeting – 12:00 pm
Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm
- Friday: Young Adults – 6:30pm
- Saturday: Ladies’ Study – 8:00 am
Men’s Study – 8:00 am
(Pastor John’s house)
- Sunday: Christian Foundations – 9:00am
Corporate Worship – 10:30 am

Bible Study Groups: If you are not yet part of a small group Bible study, we would encourage you to take the initiative to join one in 2014. We have a number of studies that meet throughout the week. Contact Pastor John for more information.

Ministry Involvement: God has designed the Church as a body where each member is using his/her gifts for the glory of God. If you do not yet have a place of service here at Rosedale please begin to pray about where He would have you to use Your gifts for the edification of this local body.

Sandwich Sunday: Reminder that the second Sunday of each month is ‘Sandwich Sunday’. Plan to stay after the morning service next week for a time of fellowship and bring some food to share!

The Unstoppable Word of God

Acts 19:8-41

- The extended time that Paul spent in Ephesus on the Third Missionary Journey constitutes the climax of his missionary career.
- By examining Paul’s experience in Ephesus we can be encouraged that the Word of God increases and mightily prevails in spite of the following obstacles:

I. Hardened Hearts (vv. 8-10)

- 1) The Challenge:
 - a. Stubbornness
 - b. Unbelief
 - c. Slander
- 2) Paul’s Response:
 - a. Boldness and persistence in proclaiming and reasoning within the synagogue (3 months!)
 - b. Persistence in gospel proclamation outside of the synagogue (2 years!)
 - i. According to the ‘Western’ manuscript, Paul taught daily in the hall of Tyrannus from 11am-4pm, during the hottest part of the day!
 - ii. Paul continued to do manual labour when he wasn’t preaching to pay the bills (cf. 20:34)
- 3) The Result:
 - a. “All the residents of Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks” (v. 10)
 - b. *"When we contrast much contemporary evangelism with Paul's, it's shallowness is immediately shown up. Our evangelism tends to be too ecclesiastical (inviting people to church), whereas Paul also took the gospel to the secular*

world; too emotional (appeals for decision without adequate basis for understanding), whereas Paul taught, reasoned and tried to persuade; and too superficial (making brief encounters and expecting quick results), whereas Paul stayed in Ephesus and Corinth for five years, faithfully sowing gospel seed and in due time reaping a harvest." - John Stott

II. False Religion (vv. 11-20)

- 1) The Challenge:
 - a. Ephesus was reputed for its occult practices
 - i. ‘Magical’ papyri have been discovered and catalogued by archeologists
 - ii. God enables Paul to perform ‘special’ miracles in a city obsessed with magic
 - b. Sons of Sceva attempt to counterfeit Paul’s ministry (cf. Simon – Acts 8)
- 2) The Response:
 - a. Demon assaults the false exorcists
 - b. Satan hates his own as much as he hates us!
- 3) Result:
 - a. Name of Jesus is extolled (v. 17)
 - b. Genuine, costly repentance is displayed!

III. Secular Hostility (vv. 21-41)

- 1) The Challenge:
 - a. Demetrius opposes the gospel for his own selfish purposes!
 - b. Mob violence which threatens Paul’s life
- 2) Response:
 - a. Paul is wisely prevented from speaking
 - b. God fights for Paul and wins the battle!
- 3) Results:
 - a. Kingdom of God advances in Ephesus
 - b. Christianity shown to be no political threat