

Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday March 9, 2014

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Junior Church

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Judges 1:1-2:5

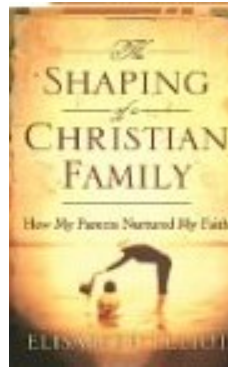
Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

THE SNARE OF PARTIAL OBEDIENCE

Final Song

Benediction

New in the Rosedale Library:



“SHAPING OF A CHRISTIAN FAMILY”

A book by Elisabeth Elliot on trust, discipline, courtesy and teaching by example. She extols the importance of prayer, obedience, forgiveness, among other lessons she learned as a child.

Rosedale Baptist Church



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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Memory Work for Junior Church:

Younger Elementary

Review: “Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.”
1 John 3:18

Middle Elementary

Review: “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:9

Families of the Week

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

Monday Latulippe, Ron & Gloria

Tuesday Leclerc, Denis

Wednesday Legacy, Louis

Thursday McDonald, Luke

Friday McPherson, Pat

Saturday Meertins, Cedric

This Week at Rosedale

Monday: Youth Group – 6:30pm

Tuesday: Men’s Study – 9:30 am

Wednesday: Seniors’ – 12:00 pm
Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm

Friday: Young Adults – 6:30 pm

Saturday: Niagara Prayer Group – 9:30 am

Sunday: Christian Foundations – 9:00 am
Corporate Worship– 10:30 am

Missionary Visit: Next Sunday afternoon (March 16th) David and Karen Heska will be visiting Rosedale to share about their missions trip to South Sudan. Coffee and desert will be served at 2:30pm. If you’d like to come, please RSVP to Muriel Heska: mheska@hotmail.com; 905-892-5003

Ladies’ Fellowship: A ladies luncheon will be held on March 29th, 12pm here at Rosedale. Theme is “Letters, Books and Poems”. Cost is \$10 and lunch will be catered by the Mandarin. RSVP to Gloria Latulippe or Anita Nagy by March 23rd.

Dinner for Doctors: Thank-you to everyone who supported the ‘Dinner for Doctors’. A total of \$1,740 was raised to go to the hospital in Hyderabad, India (New Life Associates).

Open Arms Collection: Next Sunday we will be collecting Kraft Dinner for Open Arms mission

The Snare of Partial Obedience – Judges 1:1-2:5

- Judges takes place around 1200 BC shortly after the death of Joshua and before the establishment of the Monarchy in Israel

- The overarching purpose of the book is to show our need for a faithful King who will provide lasting salvation for the people of God

I. God’s Expectation for Israel

- 1) Israel was commanded to destroy the Canaanites
 - a. Canaan was promised to Abraham
 - b. Canaan was partly conquered under Joshua
 - c. Tribes were instructed by Joshua to bring the conquest to its full completion
- 2) Reason for the Conquest
 - a. Wickedness of the Canaanites
 - b. Preservation of a Righteous Remnant which would bring forth a Saviour for all nations
 - c. Judgment, not genocide!
 - i. Conquest occurred only after an extended opportunity for repentance
 - ii. Conquest was not motivated by race – God spared righteous Canaanites (ie. Rahab) and later used the Assyrians and Babylonians to dispossess Israel from the land!
 - iii. The Conquest of Canaan is a small foreshadowing of God’s future judgment of all sin and the reality of hell

Application: We are not living in a ‘theocracy’ like ancient Israel, but God still demands full obedience from His New Covenant people. What remnants of ‘Canaan’ lurk unchallenged inside your heart??

II. Israel’s Disobedience to God

- 1) Disunity

- a. Under Moses and Joshua, Israel was unified
- b. Unity between Judah and Simeon at the beginning of this chapter gives way to tribal independence and failure by the end

2) Worldliness

- a. Treatment of Adoni-bezek (vv. 6-7) hints that Israel was already adopting Canaanite morality, instead of obeying God’s Word
- b. The ‘Canaanization’ of Israel will become an increasing problem as the book progresses

3) Cowardice

- a. Judah thinks more highly of Canaanite technology than the power of Yahweh
- b. The Kenizzites (Caleb, Othniel) demonstrate more courage than Israelites
- c. The women (Achsah) show more resolve to take possession of the land than the men

4) Disobedience

- a. Failure to fully impose God’s judgment at Bethel results in new Canaanite city
- b. Partial obedience of Judah and Joseph is contrasted with the total disobedience of remaining tribes
- c. By v. 36 the borders of the land are described as being “Ammonite”

Application: In what ways do our churches and spiritual lives resemble this pattern of compromise?

III. God’s Judgment on his People

1) Condemnation from the ‘angel of the Lord’

- a. Probably a pre-incarnate appearance of the eternal Son
- b. Israel had renewed their covenant with God at Gilgal during the time of Joshua
- c. Israel left to the consequences of their sin

2) God’s judgment provokes repentance – for now....

Application: Partial Obedience has long term effects!