Welcome to Rosedale

Father's Day - June 15, 2014

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Junior Church

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading...... Judges 14-15

Message...... Pastor John Bellingham

THE STRONG MAN'S WEAKNESS

Final Song

Benediction

Memory Verses for Junior Church:

Younger Elementary:

Review: "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." John 6:68b

Middle Elementary:

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

New in the Rosedale Library:



DVD – Everyone has a special moment. "A heartwarming film for the entire family"

Families of the Week

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

Monday Morey, Eric

<u>Tuesday</u> Morgan, Terry

Wednesday Morog, Matt & Pauline

<u>Thursday</u> Muir, Muriel

Friday Muir, Lynne

Saturday Muir, Stuart

Rosedale Baptist Church



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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This Week at Rosedale

Monday: Youth Group – 6:30 pm

Tuesday: Men's Study – 9:30 am

Wednesday: Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm

Saturday: Ladies' Study – 8:00 am

Sunday: Corporate Worship – 10:30 am

Niagara Prayer Group – 6:30 pm

Elisha House Baby Bottles: Baby bottles are due back this morning. Please return to Sue St Amour.

Rose Festival Booth: This year we will be setting up a booth at Memorial Park to advertise our summer events at the Rose Festival Days in the Park. If you can help on Saturday, June 21 between 11:00am and 7:00pm or Sunday, June 22 between 2:00pm and 7:00pm, please sign up on for a time slot on the sheet in the foyer. We will have a simple game for kids and flyers at the booth to hand out. It is a great opportunity to meet people in our community and invite them out to Rosedale.

Free 5 Day Kids Club (VBS): July 14 to 18, 9am – noon. Youth workers from Child Evangelism Fellowship will be helping lead skits and Bible stories. There will also be crafts, games, snacks and songs. All children aged 4-12 are welcome to attend. If you can help with this year's club, please sign up in the foyer.

Community Carnival: On Saturday, August 9 Rosedale will be hosting a community event with a free barbecue, kid's carnival games, silent auction to benefit Open Arms, tea, coffee, dessert and more.

The Strong Man's Weakness

Judges 14-15

- The story told in Judges 14-15 reveals a man with amazing spiritual potential who wasted it on worldly pursuits. The story of Samson stands as a timeless warning against worldliness, and a reminder that our God remains faithful in spite of our worst flaws.

I. Impulsiveness

- 1) With women and relationships
 - a. Samson's wife (contrast with Othniel)
 - b. Samson's sexual addiction
- 2) With selfish retaliation and brutal violence
 - a. A selfish wager and an impossible riddle!
 - b. Burning the Philistine fields
 - c. 'Jawbone hill' (contrast with Shamgar)

II. Insenstivity

- 1) To his Parents
 - a. Demands that they give him what he wants, when he wants
 - b. Defiles them by giving them food that was forbidden by God
- 2) To God and the Law
 - a. Nazarite Vow (cf. Numbers 6)
 - i. Samson touches dead animals throughout the narrative
 - ii. Samson goes to a drinking party
 - b. Samson's Prayer and Praise
 - i. Samson's prayer in 15:18 is both rude and self-serving
 - ii. Samson praises himself instead of praising God (15:16)

III. Independence

- 1) Samson's activity as a 'one man wrecking crew' stands in stark contrast to the other judges
- 2) Samson's activity in these chapters show a remarkable lack of dependence upon God.

Application:

- -Samson's bad behaviour throughout these two chapters is totally inexcusable, but it's amazing to see how God is able to use all of these things for His own sovereign purposes (cf. 14:4)
- -The Spiritual gifts we possess and use (or misuse!) do not guarantee our spiritual maturity.

Sermon Notes: