

Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday June 7th, 2015

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Mark 2:1-12

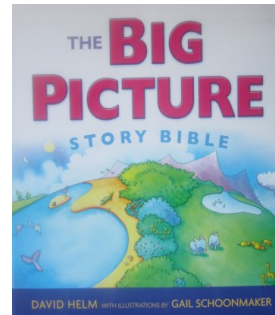
Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

RAISING THE ROOF!

Final Song

Benediction

New in the Rosedale Library:



Big Picture Story Bible: This book takes your children through the stories of the Bible while skillfully tying them to the 'big picture' – the story of Christ's redemptive work. An excellent resource for parents to use with children before bedtime or in family worship.

Memory Verses for Junior Church:

Younger Elementary:

Review: "He must become greater; I must become less." - John 3:30

Middle Elementary:

"He then brought them out and asked, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They replied, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved – you and your household.'
- Acts 16:30-31

Families of the Week

Please remember to pray for and to encourage the following people this week

<u>Monday</u>	Arthurs, Gary & Bonnie
<u>Tuesday</u>	Barrick, DeAnna
<u>Wednesday</u>	Bertin, Jeanne
<u>Thursday</u>	Cerone, Richard & Carole Jeremy, Tiffany, Jonathan
<u>Friday</u>	Cimato, Stephanie Malyssa, Lauren, David
<u>Saturday</u>	Denis, Gaston & Kim

ROSEDALE BAPTIST CHURCH



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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This Week at Rosedale

Tuesday: Men's Bible Study – 9:30 am

Wednesday: Hopeful Hearts – 12:00 pm
Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm

Friday: Young Adults' Study – 6:30 pm

Saturday: Men's Bible Study – 8:00 am

Sunday: Christian Foundations – 9:00 am
Corporate Worship – 10:30 am
CAP Money Course – 6:30 pm

Community Festival/ Garage Sale: On Saturday July 11th Rosedale will be hosting a community festival and Garage Sale which will benefit the 'Veil of Tears' project through Gospel for Asia. If you have items to donate for the garage sale, bring them to church and we will store them upstairs. Many volunteers will be needed for this outreach event so please mark it on your calendar!

CAP Money Course: The CAP Money Course is a free three week course to help you manage your money better and learn to budget, save and spend well. Begins tonight at 6:30pm.

Ladies' Fellowship Meeting: The next Ladies' Fellowship will be happening on June 27th at 10:30am. We will be hearing testimony from a Muslim lady who was converted to faith in Jesus Christ. Cost is \$5. Please RSVP to Gloria Latulippe.

Open Arms Collection: For the month of June we will be collecting Granola Bars for Open Arms Mission. Thank you for your generous support!

Raising the Roof - Mark 2:1-12

I. The Multitudes (vv. 1-2)

- 1) Attracted to Jesus by His Miracles (1: 42-45)
- 2) Confronted by the Message
 - a. As always Jesus' priority is to preach (v. 2)
 - b. The multitudes in Capernaum who listened to Jesus' preaching without believing in Him are a testimony to the amazing power of unbelief (Matthew 11:23-24)

Application: Gospel proclamation is a necessary condition for salvation, but it is not sufficient without the inward ministry of the Holy Spirit!

II. The Paralytic (vv. 3-5)

- 1) His Physical Condition – Paralysis
 - a. The crowd thinks they know what this man needs but Jesus knows better!
 - b. Instead of meeting the obvious need first (physical healing), Jesus prioritizes the most pressing need (forgiveness).

Application: Felt needs (ie. sickness, loneliness, poverty, lack of purpose etc.) are important – but they are not nearly as important as humanity's need for forgiveness. Don't dispense 'band-aids' when sharing the gospel – deal with the real issue!

- 2) His Spiritual Condition – Sin
 - a. Jesus appears to forgive this man without repentance or faith. Why??
 - b. In Old Testament sin and sickness are very closely linked –resulted in a flawed theology of divine retribution (cf. Lk 13:1-5; John 9:2)
 - i. This man must have lived with a terrible social stigma, and a guilt complex

- ii. Jesus, being omniscient, sees the longing for mercy and grace in this man's heart

Application: Jesus is not hesitant to extend mercy to those who recognize their desperate need.
"Jesus is aggressive with His grace" – Tim Keller

III. The Friends (vv. 3-5)

- 1) Their Concern: seeing their friend healed
- 2) Their Faith: firm belief that Jesus is able to do it!
- 3) Their Persistence: doing whatever they can to bring their friend to Jesus

Application: Do you have faith to believe that Jesus can rescue your unsaved friends and family? Are you persisting in prayer for them? Will you do whatever it takes to introduce them to Jesus and to put them 'in the way' of His grace?

IV. The Scribes (vv. 6-7)

- 1) Their Motive: Heresy hunting!
- 2) Their Theology
 - a. Their doctrine of sin is correct: "Who can forgive sins by God alone?" (v. 7)
 - b. Their application is false: "He is blaspheming!"
 - c. From this point onward, Jesus is on a collision course with the religious authorities

V. The Saviour (vv. 8-12)

- 1) His Ability to Discern our Inward Motives
- 2) His Ability to Forgive and to Heal
 - a. Jesus asks a tough question (v. 9)
 - b. There is no immediate outward sign by which the reality of inward forgiveness can be tested – so Jesus gives them an external sign
 - c. In reality it is far more difficult to forgive sin than to heal the body..... Jesus can do both!

Application: Believe that Jesus is God incarnate!