

Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday June 28th, 2015

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Ministry Update..... Celebrate Recovery

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Mark 3:7-35

Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

INSIDE OR OUTSIDE?

Final Song

Benediction

Memory Verses for Junior Church:

Younger Elementary:

Review: Matthew 5:16, Philippians 2:13, Ephesians 2:8-9

Middle Elementary:

“But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.” - 1 Peter 3:15

New in the Rosedale Library:



Veil of Tears: A gripping documentary film on DVD which tells the untold story of millions of women in India who are culturally persecuted for no other reason than the fact that they are women.

Families of the Week

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

Monday Johnston, Glen & Wil

Tuesday Johnston, Tom

Wednesday Jollymore, Morris

Thursday Jones, Gerry & Mary

Friday Jones, Ronald

Saturday Kaczmarek, Huguette

ROSEDALE BAPTIST CHURCH



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

11 Rosedale Place
Welland, ON L3B 1J2
905-735-0788

Pastor: John C. Bellingham

www.rosedalebaptistwelland.com

This Week at Rosedale

- Tuesday: Men's Bible Study – 9:30 am
Wednesday: Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm
Friday: Flyer Distribution – 6:30 pm
Saturday: Ladies' Bible Study – 8:00 am
Sunday: Christian Foundations – 9:00 am
Lord's Table – 10:30 am

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 in the gym.

Flyer Distribution: On Friday July 3rd at 6:30pm we will be distributing flyers in our community inviting families to participate in our VBS and Community Festival. Speak to Pastor John if interested.

Outdoor Service and Church Picnic: Our annual outdoor service and picnic will be held in Memorial Park on Sunday July 12th. Please select an item to bring to the park from the table in the foyer.

Lord's Table/ Benevolent Offering: Next Sunday we will be celebrating the Lord's Table and collecting a special benevolent offering. Please take time this week to prepare for this special time of communion with the Lord and with one another!

Inside or Outside? - Mark 3:7-35

- Mark 3:7-35 sets up a contrast between two groups of people who are defined by their relationship and response to Jesus: 'Insiders' and 'Outsiders'
- This section begins with a summary (vv. 7-12) that shows 'outsiders' (ie. Gentiles from Tyre and Sidon) who are pressing into the Kingdom along with the 'insiders' (ie. Jews from Jerusalem) – Isaiah 2:1-5

I. The 'Insiders' (vv. 13-19)

- 1) The Twelve Apostles
 - a. Location of their Call
 - i. Jesus appoints them up on a 'mountain' – most likely the western hills of Galilee
 - ii. Many significant events in God's unfolding plan happen on 'mountains'
 1. Giving of Law
 2. Transfiguration
 3. Crucifixion
 4. Second Coming of Christ
 - b. Significance of the Number '12'
 - i. 12 Tribes → 12 Apostles - cf. Matthew 19:28; Revelation 21:12-14
 - ii. A Reconstituted 'Israel' – cf. Galatians 6:16; 1 Peter 2:9; Revelation 1:6
 1. New Covenant Church is inclusive of believing Jews and Gentiles in one unified body – Ephesians 2:11-22
 2. Emphasis on Diversity – tax collectors, fishermen and zealots!
 - c. The Uniqueness of their Office
 - i. Language of creation (v. 14)
 - ii. 'Apostle' vs. 'apostle'

Application: The diversity that characterized the original band of Apostles reflects the tremendous

diversity within the Christian Church. Although the office of '(A)postle' was unique to the first century, Christ still calls men and women to 'be with Him' and sends us out to be His (a)postles by proclaiming the good news of His salvation and by walking in the good deeds He has prepared for us!

II. The 'Outsiders' (vv. 20-35)

- 1) Jesus Blood Relatives
 - a. Jesus had at least 6 siblings – Mark 6:3
 - b. His closest blood relatives did not believe in Him at first (cf. John 7:1-5)
 - i. The siblings initially thought that Jesus was mentally unstable – v. 21
 - ii. Mary was likely concerned for Jesus' safety – her motive was right but her purpose was directly contrary to God's plan
 - c. Jesus flips our expectations about who is 'inside' of His family and who is 'outside'
 - i. His relatives are standing outside of the house – physically and spiritually (v. 31)
 - ii. His disciples are on the inside (v. 34)
 - iii. At least two of Jesus' siblings were later brought into the true family of God by God's grace!
- 2) Scribes and Pharisees
 - a. Accuse Jesus of being demon possessed!
 - b. Next week: The 'Unforgiveable Sin'

Application: There is no neutrality when it comes to the family of God – either you are 'inside' or you are 'outside'. This story reminds us that our relationship to Jesus Christ depends on His call and our response. Where do you stand today with respect to Jesus Christ?