

Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday August 9th, 2015

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Missionary Update..... Aileen John (NCEM)

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Mark 4:35-41

Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

INTO THE STORM

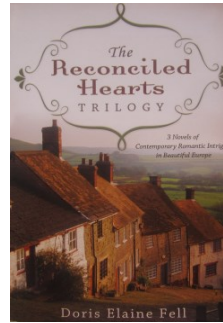
Final Song

Benediction

New in the Rosedale Library:



The Beaches and Brides: Five historical romance novels buoyed by the sea



The Reconciled Hearts: Three novels of contemporary romantic intrigue set in beautiful Europe

Memory Verses for Junior Church:

Younger Elementary:

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you.” - Acts 1:8a

Middle Elementary:

“But in fact God has arranged the parts of the body, every one of them, just as He wanted them to be.” - 1 Corinthians 12:18

Families of the Week

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

<u>Monday</u>	Scodellaro, Sandy & Denise
<u>Tuesday</u>	St. Amour, Sue
<u>Wednesday</u>	Terreberry, Dave & Gabriella
<u>Thursday</u>	Turton, Paul & Val
<u>Friday</u>	Turton, Geoff & Kim
<u>Saturday</u>	Turton, Geoff Jr.

Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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ROSEDALE BAPTIST CHURCH



This Week at Rosedale

Tuesday: Men's Bible Study – 9:30 am
Board Meeting – 7:00 pm

Wednesday: Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm

Friday: Young Adults Study – 6:30 pm

Saturday: Ladies' Bible Study – 8:00 am

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

Sundae Sunday: This morning after the service we will be having a Hotdog and Sundae Sunday. We are asking for a donation which will help us reach our goal of sending enough money to purchase 100 sewing machines for oppressed women in India. If you are visiting with us this morning we welcome you to stay and enjoy the food and fellowship with no obligation to make a donation. We're happy you're here with us!

Elisha House Fundraiser: The annual fundraising banquet for Elisha House will take place on September 18th at 5:30pm. To reserve your seat please email: info@elishahouse.on.ca, or phone 905-735-9934.

Church Directory: If you would like to be included in the Church directory please fill out the enclosed form and pass it to one of our ushers. Existing members please update your information!

Open Arms Mission Collection: August is hygiene collection month at Open Arms. Please bring hygiene products to our collection bin.

Into the Storm

-Mark 4:35-41

I. A 'Great Storm' (vv. 35-38)

- 1) Eyewitness Description
 - a. Extremely detailed – earmarks of eyewitness testimony; most likely Peter's testimony
 - b. Greek (v. 37) – *lailaps* = cyclone/ hurricane (Matthew – *seismos* = earthquake/ storm)
 - i. Severe storms were common on the Sea of Galilee due to unusual land topography
 - ii. Discovery of a 1st Century fishing boat in 1986 indicates hull length of 27 feet – a large boat to be swamped by waves
- 2) Emphasis on Christ's Full Humanity (v. 38)
 - a. Jesus is sleeping after another long and exhausting day of ministry
 - b. Mark's narrative invites us to contrast Jesus with the Prophet Jonah (see Jonah 1:4-6)
 - i. Jonah's storm was a divine judgment on the prophet's disobedience
 - ii. Jesus' storm was not the result of any wrongdoing on the part of Jesus or the disciples – it was a test from God!
 - iii. Disciples rebuke the Lord Jesus (!!!) just as the sailors once rebuked Jonah

Application: Christian disciples are not exempt from the storms of this life, nor are 'storms' an indication that God is angry with us. In His sovereignty God permits storms (trouble, trial etc.) in order to test and strengthen our faith. How do you normally respond to the storms God allows in your life? How would a firm belief in God's sovereignty change the way you face life's trials?

II. A 'Great Calm' (v. 39)

- 1) Jesus' Rebuke
 - a. Language in v. 39 mirrors the language used back in Mark 1:25: *phimoo* = 'be muzzled!'
 - b. Jesus speaks to the storm with the same authority that he speaks to the demons
- 2) Emphasis on Christ's Full Deity
 - a. The Creator who once set the bounds on the ocean with His Word now speaks again to His creation
 - b. Only God has this kind of authority to calm the storms – Psalm 107: 28-31

Application: Only Jesus Christ can bring peace in the middle of a storm! (Philippians 4:4-7) "*Far better to be in the storm with Jesus than to be in the calm without him.*" – Steven J. Lawson

III. A 'Great Fear' (vv. 40-41)

- 1) Fear of the Storm
 - a. The text makes it clear that Jesus' disciples were afraid of the storm
 - b. Their faith faltered under pressure – failure to believe God's Word that they would 'go across to the other side' (v. 35)
- 2) Fear of God
 - a. Ironically the greatest fear comes after the sea had been made calm!
 - b. Disciples didn't fully know yet who Jesus was, but this miracle helps them understand
 - i. Throughout the Bible, 'fear' is the response of a person confronted with a holy God
 - ii. Compare this story with Luke 5:8-11

Application: Do you understand who Jesus really is? Are you truly at peace with God?? (1 John 4:18)