

Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday October 4th, 2015

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Mark 6:30-44

Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

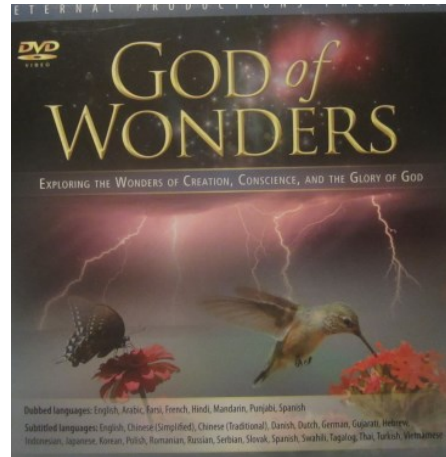
A MEAL IN THE WILDERNESS

Lord's Table

Final Song

Benediction

New in the Rosedale Library:



God of Wonders: A DVD exploring creation, conscience and the glory of God

ROSEDALE BAPTIST CHURCH



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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Memory Verses for Junior Church:

Younger Elementary:

“Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved – you and your household.”

Acts 16:31

Middle Elementary:

Review: “If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.” - James 1:5

Families of the Week

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

- Monday** Muir, Muriel
- Tuesday** Muir, Stuart
- Wednesday** Muller, Joe
- Thursday** Nagy, Joe & Anita
- Friday** Neufeld, Gertrude
- Saturday** Olynyk, Steve

This Week at Rosedale

Tuesday: Men's Bible Study – 9:30 am

Wednesday: Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm

Saturday: Ladies' Bible Study – 8:00 am

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

Introduction to the Bible: This Fall we would like to offer individual or small group study to anyone who wants to better understand the story of the Bible as it unfolds from Genesis to Revelation. This is an excellent introduction to the Bible that will be led by Pastor Ron Latulippe. For more information please speak to Pastor Ron or Pastor John

Open Arms Collection: For the month of October Rosedale will be collecting Canned Salmon for Open Arms Mission. Please place all non-perishable food items in the bin just outside the auditorium.

Budget Meeting: Our annual Budget Meeting will be held on Saturday November 28th at 9:30am. Please be in continual prayer for our Elders, Administrative Board and Nominations Committee over the next month. If you have any suggestions for the upcoming 2016 budget please speak to our Board Chairperson – Pat Warankie.

Life's Healing Choices: Sue St. Amour will continue to teach an introductory seminar to Celebrate Recovery tonight at 6:30pm.

A Meal in the Wilderness

Mark 6:30-44

I. The Pity of Jesus (vv. 30-34)

- 1) Jesus' Compassion for His Disciples
 - a. Calls them away to a 'desolate place' to rest after the completion of their mission
 - i. Threefold mention of a 'desolate place' (vv. 31, 32, 35) continues Mark's wilderness/ Exodus motif
 - ii. Jesus is calling Israel to go back to the wilderness where they will experience His supernatural provision once again
 - b. The disciples are summoned to give a full account of their ministry to Jesus

Application:

- Jesus recognized the human need for rest and relaxation and so should we!
- Just as the Disciples gave an account of their ministry to Jesus, so too will we one day give an account of our ministry to Him.

- 2) Jesus' Compassion for the Lost Multitudes
 - a. Most of us would have responded to the crowd's intrusion as an annoyance
 - b. Jesus responds with a heart of compassion and pity – 'sheep without a shepherd' (v. 34)
 - c. Sheep/ Shepherd imagery is used found throughout the Bible
 - i. Moses & Joshua – Numbers 27:16-17
 - ii. Wicked Leaders in Israel – Ezekiel 34
 - iii. Yahweh – Genesis 48:15; Ezekiel 34:11-16; Psalm 23
 - iv. Jesus the Messiah – John 10:1-18
 - v. Pastors/ Elders- John 21; 1 Pet 5:1-4

Application:

- Jesus' ministry is the fulfillment of Psalm 23 and Ezekiel 34 – He is the Good Shepherd who leads His sheep into green pasture (cf. Mark 6:39)
"The presence of Christ will turn a wilderness into a paradise" – Matthew Henry
- How do you see lost people? If your heart is not filled with compassion for the lost sheep here in Welland, you do not have the heart of Jesus Christ.

II. The Provision of Jesus (vv. 35-44)

- 1) An Impossible Request from the Lord: *"You give them something to eat."* - v. 37
 - a. 5000 men to feed plus women and children → 15-20,000 people in total!
 - b. Would cost more than 200 denarii (nearly a year's wage) to give everyone a piece of bread
- 2) An Unbelievable Miracle from the Lord
 - a. Jesus takes a little boy's lunch and multiplies it thousands of times (cf. John 6:9)
 - b. The entire multitude ate until they were satisfied (v. 42)

Application:

- Jesus is making a bold statement about His true identity. He is the new Moses, who is taking Israel through a new Exodus, and is supernaturally providing food for them in the wilderness.
- Jesus' provision in the wilderness points us backward toward the Exodus, but it also points us forward toward the cross. Jesus Himself is the true bread from heaven that will give us eternal life (John 6:50-51). Most of the people who enjoyed the meal did not understand the true significance of the miracle. Will you receive the true bread from heaven by submitting your life to Jesus Christ??