

Welcome to Rosedale

Mother's Day - May 8, 2016

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading Exodus 1:8-2:10

Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

SALVATION THROUGH MOTHERHOOD

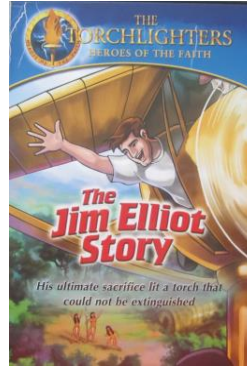
Final Song

Benediction

“Fathers and mothers are the most natural agents for God to use in the salvation of their children. I am sure that, in my early youth, no teaching ever made such an impression upon my mind as the instruction of my mother; neither can I conceive that, to any child, there can be one who will have such influence over the heart as the mother who has so tenderly cared for her offspring. A man with a soul so dead as not to be moved by the sacred name ‘mother’ is creation’s blot. Never could it be possible for any man to estimate what he owes to a godly mother.”

- C.H. Spurgeon (Autobiography)

New in the Rosedale Library:



The Jim Elliot Story: A DVD for children ages 8-12. Follow Jim’s adventures from his college years to his work in the jungles, showing young people his faith in action as he answers God’s call to do the seemingly impossible

Families of the Week

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

- Monday** Harris, Joe & Doreen
- Tuesday** Jean, Dorothy
- Wednesday** John, Aileen
- Thursday** Johnston, Glen & Wil
- Friday** Johnston, Tom
- Saturday** Jones, Gerry & Mary

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
Administrative Board – 7:00 pm

Wednesday: Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm

Saturday: Men's Bible Study – 8:00 am

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

Mother's Day/ Sandwich Sunday: Because of Mother's Day celebrations today, Sandwich Sunday will be delayed until May 15th. Remember to bring enough food for your family and a little extra for any guests that may be visiting with us.

Book Club: Pastor John is starting a reading group for anyone at Rosedale who is interested. Books will be suggested by the Church Elders and we will begin meeting monthly to discuss.

Washroom Renovations: Renovations are well underway with new flooring and fixtures installed. New laminate flooring was also installed in the Pastor's Study to replace the original carpeting. A big 'thank-you' to Gaston Denis and his team of men who have given generously of their time and talent to complete this project.

Muslim Prayer Guide: Several copies of the 2016 Ramadan Prayer guide are available for purchase from Pastor John (\$2/ copy). This guide will lead you through a full month of daily prayer for the Muslim world.

Ministry Opportunities: There are many ways to serve Christ here at Rosedale. Please prayerfully consider the opportunities displayed in the foyer.

Salvation through Motherhood - Exodus 2:1-10

I. Jochebed – A Woman of Conviction

- 1) The Conviction to do Right
 - a. Pharaoh's Murderous Plot
 - i. A New King in Egypt - v. 8
 - ii. Population control through slavery - vv 9-14
 - iii. Population control through genocide
 1. Mercy of the Midwives – vv. 15-21
 2. A Mandate to Murder – v. 22
 - b. A Dangerous Pregnancy
 - i. She could have aborted the baby
 - ii. She could have committed infanticide
 - iii. Like the Midwives, Jochebed chose civil disobedience at great risk to her family
- 2) Conviction in God's Ability to Save
 - a. Jochebed and Amram are both commended to us in Hebrews 11:23 as models of faith
 - b. Jochebed had some indication of God's special favour on this child (v. 2, cf. Acts 7:20)
 - c. Jochebed released her little boy to God's care – not once but twice!!
 - i. Realized that she couldn't protect him indefinitely from the Pharaoh – v. 3
 - ii. Made an 'ark' and creatively complied with Pharaoh's order to cast the baby into the Nile
 - iii. Trusted fully in God on both occasions when she had to let her son go (v. 3 & v. 10)

Application:

- We cannot protect our children forever. Once we've faithfully done our part as Christian moms and dads we must release them to the care of God
- By entering into an 'ark' Noah and his family were saved. By entering into an 'ark' Moses' (and ultimately Israel) were saved. By entering into an 'ark' we too will be saved – Jesus is the only 'ark' that can save us from God's righteous judgment against our sin. (cf. 2 Peter 3:18-22)

II. Miriam – A Woman of Courage

- 1) Miriam was Moses' older sister
 - a. We do not learn her name until Exodus 15:20
 - b. She was likely 6-10 years old at this time– old enough to intervene on behalf of her brother (in her second language!!) and young enough that she wasn't yet working as a slave
- 2) Miriam shows great initiative and courage
 - a. No clear indication in the text that she was sent on this mission by her mother
 - b. She is bold and courageous in calling out to the Egyptian princess
 - c. She shows great wisdom in formulating this plan to bring her baby brother back home

Application:

- Do not underestimate God's ability to work in and through our children at a young age

III. Pharaoh's Daughter – A Woman of Compassion

- The 'Good Samaritan of Egypt' (Kevin DeYoung)
- a. Pharaoh's daughter was not a worshipper of Yahweh, but she was still merciful and kind
 - i. Original Sin did not annihilate the image of God in humanity
 - ii. The effects of Original Sin is being restrained in our world by God's 'Common Grace'
 - b. She also took a risk in saving this Hebrew child

Application:

- The adoption of Moses by the Princess is a beautiful picture of the gospel. God has adopted all believers into His family by an act of sovereign grace (cf. Romans 8)
- The story of these two women demonstrates the high calling and privilege of motherhood. Don't believe that lie that motherhood is a second rate calling!!
- This story demonstrates the wonder of God's unfolding plan. *"A baby's tears were God's first weapon in his war against Egypt."* - Warren Wiersbe