

Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday January 1, 2017

Welcome & Announcements

Musical Praise & Worship

Family Prayer

Scripture Job 42

Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

HAPPY ENDINGS

Lord's Table

Benediction

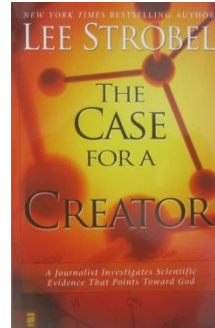
Another year is dawning, dear Father let it be,
In working or in waiting, Another year with Thee;
Another year of leaning upon Thy loving breast,
Another year of trusting, of quiet happy rest.

Another year of mercies, of faithfulness and grace;
Another year of gladness in the shining of Thy face;
Another year of progress, another year of praise,
Another year of proving Thy presence all the days.

Another year of service, of witness for Thy love;
Another year of training for holier work above.
Another year is dawning, dear Father let it be
On earth, or else in heaven, another year for Thee.

- Francis R. Havergal (1836 - 1879)

Featured in the Rosedale Library:



The Case for A Creator: Join author Lee Strobel as he re-examines the theories that once led him away from God. You'll encounter the mind-stretching discoveries from cellular biology, DNA research, astronomy and physics that present astonishing evidence.

Families of the Week

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

- Monday** Cerone, Richard & Carole
Jeremy, Johnathan, Tiffany
- Tuesday** Denis, Gaston & Kim
- Wednesday** Denis, David
- Thursday** Denis, Esther
- Friday** Doiron, Brenda
- Saturday** Dube, Norm & Susan

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: Prayer Meeting – 7:00 pm

Saturday: Men's Bible Study – 8:00 am

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

Small Group Studies: Here at Rosedale we have a number of Bible study groups meeting throughout the week. Small group studies are an excellent way for you to get to know people in the Church and to grow in your relationship with Christ. If you would like to join a small group in the new year please speak with Pastor John.

Prayer Meeting: Prayer is central to the Christian life and corporate prayer is vital for every healthy Church. If you would like to make prayer more of a priority in 2017 we would encourage you to join us every Wednesday at 7pm.

Serving at Rosedale: If you are new to Rosedale and would like to learn about opportunities to serve within the Church please speak with Pastor John. Our goal is to see everyone in the Church family joyfully serving together for the glory of God and the fulfillment of our mission.

Rosedale Youth Ministry: Beginning on January 18th we will be re-launching a weekly youth program for ages 10 and up. This group will be co- led by Nick Sarides and Linda Gibbs and will meet every Friday evening at 7pm. If you'd like more information please speak with either Nick or Linda.

Happy Endings - Job 42

I. Repentance

- 1) Job is Silenced by God (40:3-5)
 - a. God's first speech in chapters 38-39 prompts Job to quit speaking out of ignorance
 - b. Job's first response to God in 40:3-5 stops short of genuine repentance
- 2) Job Repents before God (42:1-6)
 - a. Job is not repenting for sins committed before the trial (accusation of Eliphaz, Bildad, Zophar)
 - b. Job repents for sins committed during the trial
 - i. His repentance is specific
 - ii. His repentance is without any excuse or justification
 - iii. His repentance reflects accurate knowledge of himself and of God
 - iv. His repentance is demonstrated by its fruit
 - True contrition of the heart
 - More profound knowledge of God
 - Willingness to forgive others in response to God's forgiveness (cf. Matthew 6:12; 18:21-35)

Application:

- Repentance is evidence of God's grace and kindness in our lives. (cf. Romans 2:4; 2 Timothy 2:25; Acts 11:18)
- Peace with God is not possible apart from repentance. Turning to God in faith requires a turning away from sin
- Repentance is not just the beginning of the Christian life – it is an ongoing part of your sanctification
- Genuine repentance comes from the Holy Spirit and is demonstrated by its fruit. Remorse and/or regret are human emotions that result from getting caught in sin.

II. Rebuke

- 1) God Rebukes Job (chapters 38-41)
- 2) God Rebukes Eliphaz, Bildad and Zophar (ch. 42)

- a. No word of rebuke for Elihu – an indication that he has spoken to Job with wisdom
- b. God's anger burns against sin
- c. Sin of misrepresenting God
 - i. Job has spoken wrongly about God, but in a different way than his friends
 - ii. Job's friends misrepresented God through the misapplication of theology. In their speeches they have presented God as a 'pagan' deity that can be manipulated for His blessing (ie. 'Retribution Theology')
- d. Forgiveness of Sin Requires a Sacrifice
 - i. God's justice for sin must be satisfied
 - ii. Sinful man requires a mediator/ priest

Application:

- God cares very deeply about theology and despises any theological position that minimizes His glory
- We who teach others about God need to take our responsibility very seriously and to ensure that our doctrine is firmly rooted in God's self-revelation (cf. 1 Timothy 4:16; James 3:1)
- Animal sacrifice and the need for a mediator points forward to the crucifixion and Priesthood of Jesus.

III. Restoration

- 1) Job's Restoration is an Expression of God's Grace
 - a. God does not owe us anything (cf. 1:20-22, 2:10)
 - i. Job rightly rejected the 'retribution theology' of his three friends
 - ii. Job understood the meaning of grace – God's undeserved favour
 - b. The greatest blessing for Job comes in 42:5
- 2) Happy Endings???
 - a. Not every story of 'innocent suffering' will have a happy ending here on earth
 - b. Job's restoration did not eliminate the painful memory of loss, nor was it permanent

Application: The ultimate 'happy ending' for Job and for every other believer is yet to come in the future!