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**395-** Sunday Morning

**69-** Life Group

199- Sunday Classes

**184-** Wednesday Evening

**80-** Sunday Evening

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## Cross Culture! Sermon Notes – March 15, 2020

"...I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and the lamb." Rev. 7:9

#### Multi-cultural worship:

• In Psalms: 57:9; 86:9; 106:47

• In the Gospels: Mt. 28:19; Mark 11:7; John 10:16

• In Acts and Epistles: Acts 1:8; 10:35; Eph. 2:14; Col. 3:11

#### Establishing a Cross Culture:

Celebrate the

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of the Spirit's work.

•	Be willing to _		
from			

### **ELDER TO CONTACT**

Elder to contact in March with prayer requests: **Gary Turner 479-361-8115** 

### **REGULAR WEEKLY MINISTRIES**

Life Group - Sundays at various homes and times
Granddad's Devo - Tuesdays at 10:00 am in R5
Ladies Bible Class - Tuesdays at 10:00 am in Rm FC 4
Women's Grief Support - Febuary 9 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm in R5
Single & Parenting Class - New Session September 2020

**DC4K** - March 1, 2020 in Rm. G13 **DivorceCare** -March 1, 2020 in Rm. R1

**Financial Peace** - January 22 at 6:00 pm in Rm.B2 **Celebrate Recovery** - Thursdays at 6:30 pm (Meal at 6:00 pm)

Grow. Reach. Glorify.

# Robinson Avenue this week

#### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

MARCH 15, 2020

TODAY'S FOCUS

Welcome

Come We that Love the Lord Lord We Come Before Thee Now

**Bible Reading** 

Call to Worship

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Come Let Us Sing

**Bible Reading** 

Prayer

Jesus, Let us Come to Know You

The Gospel Song

Just As I Am/ I Come Broken

Communion

**Let Your Spirit Come** 

**Dismiss Children** 

Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing

Sermon: Cross Culture

Why Did My Savior Come to Earth

The Greatest Command

Prayer

## **Spread the Gospel**

## Making the Good News Go Viral!

It's great to have everyone back together today. In recent weeks various groups have been away for retreats and youth rallies and next week many will be beginning Spring Break – but at least for today, every group is present and accounted for. If you are a guest today we are so glad that you are here as well – we hope that we will have the privilege and opportunity to get to know you today; our prayer is that you will leave here having been blessed.

What is highly contagious, spreads from person-to-person, and has the potential to turn the world upside-side down? Not the Corona Virus – the Gospel! We often use the phrase "spreading the Gospel"; I have books about evangelism in my personal library with titles like *Contagious Faith* and *Making Your Vision Go Viral*.

As fears continue to grow about infectious disease we have the opportunity as Jesus' followers to spread something that will make a *positive* difference in the world and something that makes people whole. Acts 13:14 says "And the word of the Lord was being spread through the whole region." What are we doing to

spread the Gospel through our region?

I'm so excited about efforts underway at Robinson Avenue to multiply the Kingdom. Our second 12 x 12 Discipleship class is underway; Sabino Rodriguez is doing a fantastic job of leading this interactive class that is designed to make disciples who will, in turn, make more disciples. Other ministries are also opening doors and reaching people: Divorce Care, Celebrate Recovery and Financial Peace are a few examples of such ministries.

Of course, there are many ways to make the Gospel spread – but they all require proximity to people! Who is in your circle of influence? Who do you talk to and eat with each day? Who can you invite to church or to Life Group? Let's continue to spread the life-giving news that we possess!

-Keith Kilmer

The Bible in a Year

## **Daily Reading Schedule (Chronological Order)**

Monday 16 Deuteronomy 17-20 Tuesday 17 Deuteronomy 21-23

Wednesday 18 Deuteronomy 24-27

Thursday 19 Deuteronomy 28-29

Friday 20 Deuteronomy 30-31 Saturday 21 Deuteronomy

32-34, Psalm 91

Sunday 22 Joshua 1-4



Adult Education

#### **Adult Bible Classes**

Sunday Morning Adult Classes: The Character of Christ

Singing Class: Trent Arnold, In the gym Discipleship Class: Sabino Rodriguez Wednesday Night Adult Classes:

**FUEL:** 2 Samuel for LTC, Various Teachers

WPW Sessions: "In His Image"

Tuesday Granddads' Devo: 10:00 a.m. Open discussion, coffee

and donuts.

Family

### **Hispanic Congregation**

The Spanish congregation will have a Fajita fundraiser today, March 15th, after morning worship. All proceeds will go to help the youth go to the RNJ (Spanish National youth Rally). Donations are optional. We would love to have everyone come out and join us for some fajitas. Thank you for all your support! God bless!

Family

### **Wedding Shower**

There will be a wedding shower on Saturday, March 28, from 10-12 in the green room to honor Ian Mohorn and Leigh Shoemaker. All ladies are welcome. They are registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond, Amazon, Target and Pottery Barn. You can access all of these through theknot.com. Their wedding is May 2020.

Family

### **Communion Bread Bakers**

If anyone would like to take a month to bake communion bread, please contact Joyce Fitzgerald (479-799-9752).

Family

### **Robinson Avenue Travelers**

There is another trip being planned for May 31- June 6. They will be going to Mt. Rushmore. If you would like to go you will need to have a \$75 deposit by March 31. If you have any questions see Beth Pettay.

Youth Ministry

#### Caleb Says...

Apr. 10-12 – LTC Convention

Jun. 13-18 – Uplift

Jun. 26-Jul. 2 – Colorado Camping Trip

Jul. 11-18 – Camp Wetoga

Jul. 26-Aug. 1 – Green Valley Bible Camp

Good morning guys! For the first time in a few weeks, we are all together! WOOHOO!!!

Our study of 2 Samuel will continue this week with chapters 15-17. Psalm 51 was written after God declares what discipline is in store for David because of his actions with Bathsheba and Uriah. In full knowledge of what was to come, David had these words to say: "Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, you who are God my Savior, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness. Open my lips, Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise." David knows the refiner's fire is coming. God disciplines those he loves in order to restore them. Today's chapters take us right into the inferno that is meant to refine David. After the tragedies that followed shortly after God's initial indictment in 2 Samuel 12, David experiences several years or relative peace. His son, Absalom, returns home after his exile and life in Israel continues as it normally would for four years. However, Absalom had secretly been plotting a coup to overthrow his own father, David.

Chapter 15 – Absalom buys the loyalty and admiration of the people of Israel and turns them against David. He essentially tells them that David doesn't care about their needs and that he would be a far better judge for Israel. He gives the people whatever they want in exchange for their loyalty. When the time was right Absalom left Jerusalem in order to initiate the plot. Luckily, David hears about what is coming and he realizes that he cannot defeat Absalom at the moment. He is forced to evacuate the city and leave his home and live on the run. However, one of his remaining supporters is sent back to Jerusalem to spy on Absalom when he takes over the city.

Chapter 16 – On his journey, David meets several individuals, one of whom was a member of King Saul's family. The man curses David and tells David that he has been repaid for what he did. David is now as low and humiliated as the king before him. Meanwhile, back in Jerusalem, Absalom humiliates his dad even more by taking 10 of David's concubines as his own.

Chapter 17 – Absalom asks what to do about David. One advisor says one thing while David's double agent says another. Ultimately, Absalom goes with the advice of David's man and calls all of Israel to join him in one massive battle against David in order to wipe him out completely. Will God fight for David again or is David's kingdom coming to an end? Find out next week!

### **Family Time**

SUNDAY

9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Worship

#### WEDNESDAY

7:00 рм Bible Study

### **Sympathy**

**Kenny Bohannan**, the nephew of Milton Ball and the cousin of Denise Pless, passed away Thursday, March 5.

**Hilma Curlee,** the mother of Chris Curlee, passed away Monday, March 9. She lived in CA. Funeral service was yesterday.

Family

### **Illness and Recovery**

**Lorene Brown** had exploratory surgery on March 10. It all went well and she is at home.

**Dorothy Sisiemore** fell and broke her shoulder and a heel. She is in WRMC.

**Dollie McDonald** had exploratory surgery on Tuesday and all went well.

Mary Allen is in Mercy Hospital.

**Lucy Allen** has been in a lot of pain. She has a sprain in her lower back.

**Alex Richey Barens** is scheduled to deliver on March 20.

Military Ministry

### **Care Packages for the Troops**

We have been asked what do we send to our troops in their packages? We have found food items seem to be their favorite. Homebaked brownies are sent in almost all packages, along with individual packages of peanuts, sunflower seeds, gum, Werther's caramels, individual kool-aid type drink mix that can be added to a bottle of water, and beef jerky or summer sausage. Magazines and DVDs are included to help occupy their down time. We are able to stuff that box pretty full and tight for about \$30.

Family

### **Review of Mar. 10 Elders Meeting**

May 7 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast Update
Approved teaching Revelation on Sunday nights
Reviewed March 29 presentation on the budget
Reviewed Mennonite church request to sing here
Reviewed new security procedures
Planned process for communion comments
Discussed Visitations as service projects

### Our

## **Prayer List**

Names will be printed on this list for up to 4 weeks at a time unless further updates are received in the office.

### Family/Friends

Leroy Baugus, childhood friend of Judy Kilpatrick Blonzie Campbell, the uncle of Vanessa McBride Kerry George, friend of many at RACOC. Harper Morris, the great niece of Helen Gillmore Byron Todd, son of Gerald Todd

### Those

## Shut In

**Pauline Cantrell** 

Beth Clem
Dee Dearman
Cleo Drevs
Hazel Fletcher
Glenda Garrison
Donna Gaston
Dan Hash
James Price
Roberta Simpson
Verna Tackett
Elsie White
Dorothy Yeager

Continue to

### Remember

Danny Allen
Mary Allen
Lucy Allen
Beth Clem
Lee Pense
Joan Pense
Scott Phillips
Speedy Williams
Melba Watts
Linda Wray

Those

## **Battling Cancer**

Mary Allen Mark Elmore Charlean Howell Peggy Huckeba Freida Hughes Ajeanna Kernes Robert Kernes Seth Mohorn Salina Wilson