

COMMUNITY SERVICE BASED CHRISTIAN CELEBRATION 2012 Aug 11

Helping our community with caring love while enabling them to find and follow Jesus!

True love and caring . . .

Romans 12:9-17

Love must be honest and true. Hate what is evil. Hold on to what is good. Love each other deeply. Honor others more than yourselves. Never let the fire in your heart go out. Keep it alive. Serve the Lord. When you hope, be joyful. When you suffer, be patient. When you pray, be faithful. Share with God's people who are in need. Welcome others into your homes. Bless those who hurt you. Bless them, and do not call down curses on them. Be joyful with those who are joyful. Be sad with those who are sad. Agree with each other. Don't be proud. Be willing to be a friend of people who aren't considered important. Don't think that you are better than others.

Don't pay back evil with evil. Be careful to do what everyone thinks is right. If possible, live in peace with everyone. Do that as much as you can.

Agenda (see news letter)

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Gathering / Communicating Community needs	10 min
Gathering prayer needs	5 min
Prayer for community and praying for needs	15 min
Short Message/ Discussion /Helpful thoughts to remember from the bible	30 min
Gathering of the monetary contributions for the community work (tithes)	5 min
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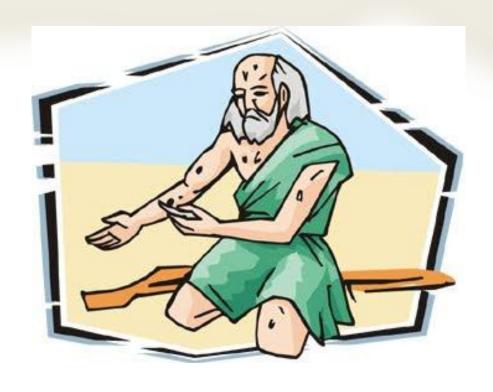
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1-Jul-12	Income		460
1-Jul-12	Income Birchdale barbeque		370
1-Jul-12	Caissey deck surface and 4x4s		-350
1-Jul-12	M&L		-150
1-Jul-12	J&A		-200
1-Jul-12	Mission trip		-100
1-Jul-12	food bank		-100
1-Jul-12	website		-180
		\$	375

Short message/ discussion

Job - conclusion

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JOB'S STORY IS ONE OF SUFFERING...WHERE WE CAN SEE GOD'S STATEMENTS ABOUT HUMAN SUFFERING!

Job, one of the most complex and interesting books in the Old Testament, deals with a profound human theme. Why do people suffer, if God is in control?

The book itself, a very long and highly structured poem, is about a man named Job who lost all that he had within a short period of time. He found himself an outcast, waiting for death near the city dump, when some of his former friends came to comfort him

The hidden backdrop to the story is the will of God and the sneering challenge of the Devil.

The first set of speeches made by Job's friends has the general theme that Job is sinful. The all-wise, all-powerful God, they say, is only giving him what he deserves.

All three friends speak:

Eliphaz, who is a *kindly mystic;*Bildad, a rather *unsympathetic traditionalist*; and

Zophar, a narrow dogmatist.

These three men represent different approaches to the problem of suffering, as does Job himself.

Outline for the Book of Job

- Prologue: scene in heaven Job 1:1-2:13
 [looked at this]
- First set of speeches Job 3:1-14:22
 [Looked at part of this last week]
- Second set of speeches Job 15:1-21:34
- Third set of speeches Job 22:1-31:40
- The speech of Elihu Job 32:1-37:24
- The reply of God Job 38:1-42:6
- **Epilogue** Job 42:7-17

God KNOWS!

When we feel isolated we need to understand God knows how we feel.

He knows who we are, what is happening to us, and the strain we are taking. Whether is justified or not... GOD KNOW!

Luke 12:6-7 (NIRV)

"Aren't five sparrows sold for two pennies? But God does not forget even one of them. In fact, he even counts every hair on your head! So don't be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows.

God Limits our time of testing!

Remember in chapters 1&2 God set the limit to what Satan could do to Job!
GOD sets limits!

1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIRV)

You are tempted in the same way all other human beings are. God is faithful. He will not let you be tempted any more than you can take. But when you are tempted, God will give you a way out so that you can stand up under it.

God is not there to cregi accusations to Help us grow!

Remember Job was so certain of his innocence and of the injustice of his afflictions that for a long time he was unable to see beyond that!

"In our trials and tests, James encourages us to ask God for wisdom (James 1:5). If we do so in faith, He will surely give it.

Whatever the trial or test, there is always growth that can be achieved. Even Jesus Christ Himself learned by the things He suffered (Hebrews 5:8).

"Jesus was God's Son. But by suffering he learned what it means to obey."

God wants us to grow.

Therefore, we must undergo periodic pruning to stimulate that growth (John 15:2)."

http://www.lcg.org/cgi-bin/lcg/studytopics/lcgst.cgi?category=Christianity1&item=1122911276

"WHY" is often not not standable!

Job's friends wanted to have clear cut *reasons* for Job's suffering. Job also wanted to know why, but the answer is never given to "THEM"

"Job knew he was right and defended himself against his accusers, yet also wonders "why" he is suffering. We can get to that place very easily. We can defensive facing our accusers and yet sometimes it is important to realize that we need to understand that much of what we suffer is not easily defined and categorized. Bad stuff doesn't only happen to evil people.

There are many "Why's" that we will probably never know the answers to in this life.

Trust God even bad!

Job 13:15 (NIRV)

Even if God kills me, I'll still put my hope in him.

I'll argue my case in front of him.

In Job 19 describes
Job's pitiful situation
and yet underlying it
is the following
statements...

I know that my Redeemer lives.

In the end he will stand on the earth.

. . . .

I myself will see him with my own eyes.

I'll see him, and he won't be a stranger to me.
How my heart longs for

that day!

God is Just and good will reward good ULti**M**ately

Life can often seem unfair.

There are those who make no pretense of serving God and yet they seem to be doing well!

There are others who are genuinely trying, but they are experiencing many difficulties and setbacks.

What we have to keep in mind is that this life is temporary.

Our resurrection is when God judges and rewards! Yet even in this life we often see God blessing us... Job found out...The conclusion of the book of Job reveals, "The Lord blessed the last part of Job's life even more than the first part." (42:12).

We grow as We Learn God's Lessons! OB had to pray for other

JOB had to pray for others to grow...do we?
Job 42:10 And the Lord accepted Job's prayer.

After Job had prayed for his friends, the Lord made him successful again. He gave him twice as much as he had before.

God wants us to know him properly, and our place correctly!

Job 42:6

So I hate myself.
I'm really sorry for what I said about you.
That's why I'm sitting in dust and ashes."

Trials can make us bitter or grow...
Which of these do we select?

BAPTISM PLANNING.....9 September 2012

Jeans and dark T-shirts, towel and a change of clothes

Lunch, pot luck?

Let know the numbers, that will attend!



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