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SERMON REFLECTIONS OF JAMES

THE BIBLE STUDY OF JAMES

" Called into fellowship (7-31-5)

- 1 Corinths 13:9 : 'God is faithful'

'God has called you into fellowship'

(with His Son)

• Fellowship:

① participate - makes people
(partners) take part

② social interaction -

2 sets of friends

(churchy and other)

③ pecuniar benefaction

- economic support of

one another (allow church

to redistribute resources)

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o Kings of the Bible (8-3-5)

* King: Saul, David, Solomon

o What must I do to be saved? (8-4-5)

* Acts 16:25-30

* Midnight Experience

- Paul and Silas prayed and sang

- praises during their midnight hour

- Phil. 1:27

o Attractive Alternatives (8-28-5)

- Joshua 1:1-8: "I will give you

every place where you set your foot," (vs. 3)

• If we want success and prosperity, we must follow God's sword

• "Obey the law" (vs. 7)

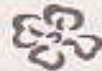
• "Be strong and very courageous"

• temptation to employ the alternatives

⇒ but someone may uncover the shortcuts

⇒ Don't fall prey to the attractive alternatives (short-cuts; keeping dirt under the rug)

• enter the narrow, straight gates





* Things we have to do (9-4-5)

- Malachi 4:1-6: 'great and dreadful day of the Lord'

• (vs. 4) 'Remember the law'

⇒ If we remember the law, blessing will flow through the generations

(vs. 6) "We will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers"

• (vs. 6) 'strike the land with a curse' (But)

⇒ Remember the cross (At the cross)

◦ Watershed Moments (9-11-5)

* Numbers 21:4-9: 'The Lord sent venomous snakes'

'anyone who is bitten can look at it and live'

(It teaches us ~~for~~ good times and us in bad times)

* If people can look at the preacher (the symbol of the word), they will be healed

Where's the Fruit (9-18-5) 11

* Luke 8:11-15

* The believer is created for productivity

* Satan's role is to make you unproductive

* Person in the good soil

→ Matthew 13:23: producing a crop
- yielding a 100, 60 or 30
times what was sown

(Mark 4:20: [same])

→ Psalm 23: runneth over

→ Four types of fruit:

① children and family

- Malachi 2:15 -

'Seeking Godly offspring'

- Ephesians 6:1: children

obey your parents'

- Mark 5:15: Go home

to your family and tell

them how much the Lord has done'

- Malachi 4:5-6: He will

turn the hearts (of

fathers and children)

② right living

③ money - you are to be
productive in the area
of money

- Ecclesiastes 10:19 -

'money is the answer

for everything'

- Proverbs 13:22

'A good man leaves an
inheritance'





② whatever glorifies god

- Luke 8:15: "The seed on good soil stands firm there with a noble and good heart"
- 1 Corinthians 2:15: "The spiritual makes judgments about all things"
- 1 John 3:9: "Whoever is born of God will continue to sin, because God's seed remains in him; he cannot go on sinning, for this is how we know who the children of God are"
- Luke 8:
- Ezekiel 36:26: "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you"
- Hebrews 3:13-15: "But encourage one another daily... so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness"
- Romans 10:17: "Faith comes from hearing the message"
- Proverbs 3:5-6: "Lean not on your own understanding"
- Isaiah 55:16-8: "For my thoughts are not your thoughts"

(9-21-5)
o I AM STATEMENTS (BOOK OF JOHN) 13

* John 10:28: I give them eternal life

* John 15:1: I am the true vine

* John 11:1-4: This sickness will not
end in death

* Death is not death (for the believer)

- John 11:11: Lazarus has fallen asleep

- John 11:25: I am the resurrection
and the life

- John 11:38-44: I said this for
the benefit of the
people standing here
so the dead man
came out.

* John 13: Upper room discourse

- John 13:1: he now showed the
the full extent of
his love

NOB: Free will Baptist with feet

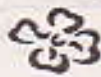
- John 13:16: no servant is greater
than his master

* John 14:6: I am the way, the
truth and the life.
No one comes to the
Father except
through me

- John 14:11: I am in the Father
and the Father is in me

- John 14:16-18: I will not leave

you as ~~orphans~~
- John 14:25-26: I will ~~send~~
you of everything I
have said to you.



- Matthew 10:17-20: the Spirit of
your Father speaking
through you

* John 16:5: When he comes, he
will convict the
world of guilt re-
gard to sin

- John 16:12-13: he will guide you
into all truth

- John 17:17: your word is truth

NOTE: we do have prophets!

• 1 Corinthians 12:27-28!

'God has appointed
prophets'

• Acts 11:27

• Amos 3:7: Lord does
nothing without revealing
his plan to his
servants the prophets

• Acts 2:17: your sons and
daughters will
prophesy

• Will the 'I' in me still trust him?
(9-25-8)

* What if you were given a
derogatory report? What
if people are taken out of life
who depend on you? What if
you can't hear his voice?
What if everything in my
life is still going down?

* Daniel 9: God gave Daniel
a vision of 40 weeks

* Daniel 10: ~~afford~~ gives another
vision

- Daniel 10: 2: 'I'm here for 3 weeks'

- Daniel 10: 4: 'On the 24th day
he did look up?'

- Daniel 10: 12: 'Since the first
day... your words
were heard'

- Daniel 10: 13: 'I shall come
to help me'

* 2 Corinthians 4: 18

- So we fix our eyes not on
what is seen, but what
is unseen. For what is seen
is temporary but what is
unseen is eternal


* 1 Tim. 6: 12: Fight the good fight
of the faith

o The Good Life (10-2-5)

* 2 Peter 1: 3-11: 'Add to your faith
goodness, knowledge, self-control, perseverance,
godliness, brotherly kindness, and love'

* Pastors are organizers of churches:

- Matthew 16: 17-19: 'Jesus replied
"On this rock I will build my church"

* There is a calling on your
life 

- (Is. 3) 'Who called us?'

- (Is. 10) 'make your calling and election sure'



- Wid 'if you do these things, you will never fall'

* Proverbs 6:16: 'six things the Lord hates'

* Why has he called us?

- 2 Peter 1:3: by his own glory and goodness

- Ephesians 1:11-12: plan of him who works out everything in conformity with for the praise of his glory

- ~~Abundant~~ life and christlikeness:

- where is the fruit?

sanctity, money, whatever glories get

• Luke 12:32: your ^{Father} God has been pleased to give you the Kingdom

- John 10:30; 14:9

- Titus 2:13

- 2 Corinthians 3:17-18:

We with unveiled faces

all reflect the Lord's glory,

are being transformed into

His likeness.

- Romans 8:28²⁹ in all things

God works for the good of

those who love him, who

have been called according

to His purpose. conformed

to the likeness of His Son

- o First Half of Acts (10-12-5)
- * Acts 2 (Author: Luke, 2nd Luke)
- * Luke 1:1
- * Acts is the life Peter and Paul
- * Acts is dated between
63 AD - 70 AD
- * Luke and Acts covers 60 years
- * Acts 1:3: He appeared to them
over a period of 40 days
- * NOTE: Pentecost → 50 (feast of wheat)
- * Leviticus 23:1-3, 15-16
- * NOTE: baptize means dip
 - make a part of
 - individual
- * 1 Corinthians 12:12-13: we were
all given the one spirit to drink
- * John 3:5: Spirit gives birth
to spirit
- * Different functions of the Holy Spirit
 - baptized by the Spirit
 - born again
- * Acts 4:31: they were filled
with the Holy Spirit and
spoke the word boldly
- * Act 2:1-4: All of them were filled
with the Holy Spirit
- * Ephesians 5:18-19: be filled
with the spirit
- * 1 Timothy 2:9: dress modestly
with decency and propriety



* Ephesians 2:1: The spirit
who is now at work

* Galatians 5:22: fruit of the spirit

* 1 Corinthians 13:4: Love is not
self-seeking

NOTE: Love is not a feeling and
a duty

* Romans 5:5

* To be filled with the spirit
is to be empowered supernaturally
- spiritual gifts
- sin
- revelations

* Acts 13:1-3: Sisted and prayed

* The Eagle and the Chicken:

The Eagle checked like with
a chicken until it saw
an eagle flying

* Ephesians 5:11: Having nothing
to do with the fruitless deeds
of darkness

- Fruit: Mastered some things
(mile markers)

* 1 John 5:14-15: 'he hears us'

* Mark 11:24: pray, believe,
and it will be you

* Philippians 4:6: 'present your requests
to God'

* Acts 2:1-3

* Ephesians 5:19: Sing and make music
in your heart

* Psalm 1: not fellowship of wicked

o The Good Life (10-16-5)

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o Psalm 149

o Proverbs 3:5-7

o Psalm 95:1-7

o 2 Peter 1:5-11 : ^{the}participate in ^{the}divine nature

* The Good Life is a abundant and Christ-like life.

* God is calling us (vs. 3)

* God has given us promises

* Hosea 4:6 : ^{the}my people are destroyed from lack of knowledge

* Isaiah 64:6 : ^{the}all our righteous acts are like filthy rags

* Ephesians 1:13-14 : ^{the}you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit

* Promises are accessed by faith

* Hebrews 4:2 : ^{the}do not combine it with faith

* Galatians 3:13-14 : ^{the}by faith we might receive the promise

* Galatians 3:26-29 : ^{the}heirs according to the promise

* 2 Peter 1:5 : ^{the}make every effort in your walk with God

- The Christian walks, takes work in order for there to be increase

- Phillipians 2:12 : continue to work out your salvation

- Phillipians 3:12 : ^{the}Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect



- Philippians 3:13: "straining toward what is ahead"

- Romans 10:17: "faith comes from hearing the message"

- Hebrews 10:23: "let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess"

• (vs 24): "consider how we may spur one another on"
 ⇒ cannot be at home and spur another"

• (vs 25) "let us not give up meeting together"

- 2 Timothy 3:16: "All scripture is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness"

- Spurring does not feel good but is good for you

- 1 Corinthians 6:9: "that's what some of you were"

- You are not a sinner; you are saved

* Acts 2

~~frase~~ wrote to Theophilus, one who loves God

* Acts 1:8

o APOSTLES
* Acts 1:21-22: To be an Apostle, you have to be a witness of Jesus

* Revelation: 21:14: ¹²twelve apostles of the Lamb

* Acts 14:14: 2 additional apostles

* Romans 16:7: 2 add'l Apostles

* 2 Corinthians 12:12: "Apostle - signs, wonders, and miracles"

o Acts 2

* Pentecost means 50


* Acts 2:1-4: "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit"

* Exodus 40:34-35: "glory of the Lord filled tabernacles"

* 1 Kings 8:10: "cloud filled the temple" (Shekinah - the presence of Lord fills the temple)

* God lives in you

- 1 Corinthians 6:19: "Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit"

- Titus 3:3: enslaved by all kinds of passions but we are saved as 



* Ephesians 2:22: 'being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit'

o You cannot lose your Salvation - Eternal Security

* Psalm 51:10: 'Create in me a pure heart - Don't take your Holy Spirit from me. Old Dispensation - the way God dealt w/ man during a set period of time'

* John 14:15: 'he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever as I will not leave you as orphans'

* Acts 2 - Signs of Pentecost

* Acts 2:4-12

* 1 Corinthians 1:22

* 1 Corinthians 14:22-24: Tongues are for unbelievers while prophecy is for believers

* Gift of tongues

- 1 Corinthians 12:7-10:

to another speaking in different kinds of tongues

- 1 Corinthians 14:1-2:

anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak to man but to God

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✱ 1 Corinthians 31-32: the spirit of
profits are subject to the control
of profits

✱ 1 Corinthians 14:13-14: For if I
pray in a tongue, my spirit prays,
but my mind is unfruitful

- 1 Corinthians 14:26: All these must
be done for the strengthening of
the church

- 1 Corinthians 14:27-28: If there
is no interpreter, the speaker
should keep quiet in the church

- 1 Corinthians 14:12-13: excel in
gifts that build up the church

* Proverbs 13:20: He who walks
with the wise grows wise, but
a companion of fools suffers harm.

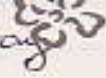
note: read: Kenneth Hagan and
Jack Hayford

* Everybody is not going to speak
in tongues

- 1 Corinthians 12:27-30: God
has appointed those speaking
in different kinds of tongues.
Do all speak in tongues?
(no)

- Romans 12:4-6: We have
different gifts

* 1 Corinthians 12:31: But eagerly
desire the greater gift

* 1 Corinthians 14:13: pray 
(and ask for gift)

• Acts (10-26-5)



* Acts 3

* Act 2:42-47: devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship and to prayer and many wonders and miraculous signs... Every day they continued to meet together

* Act 3:1-7: "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus walk?"

* Acts 4:1-18: It is by the name of Jesus - whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead... Salvation is found in no one else

* Acts 4:29-31: prayed... filled... Spoke the word

* To be filled with the Spirit is not a one time event

* Be filled with the Spirit

- Ephesians 5:17-18, 19

- Galatians 5:22: Fruit's

love, joy (you cannot have joy and be depressed)

* Acts 4:34-35: There were no needy persons among them...

* Acts 4:36

* Romans 12:46: different gifts

- contributing to the needs of

NOTE: 3 Categories of Gifts

- gifts of the spirit (1 Cor 12:13)
- gifts of the son (Eph 4:11)
[five gold or church gifts]
- gifts of the Father (Rom 12:8)

* Acts 5:1- : 'he kept back part of the money for himself'

- NOTE: word of knowledge gift
→ 1 Cor 12:8

* Acts 5:3

NOTE: word of wisdom → future about
word of knowledge → current event

* Acts 5:7-11 : she fell down cold

* Discernment

- 1 Cor 12:10 : gift of discerning of spirits

* Mark 5:6-10, 15 : 'My name is legion'

* Can a saved person be demonically possessed?
- A believer cannot be demonically possessed

* 3 John 2 : 'good health'

* Matthew 9:1-3 : if you are willing

* We gotta be careful about science

- 1 Timothy 6:20 : 'what is falsely called knowledge'

* Act 16:16-18 : a slave girl possessed in talking

... Spirit came out of her

* Romans 8:14-16 : The Spirit... testifies with our spirit

(Discerning of spirits)



o The Good life II (10-30-05)



* 2 Peter 1:3-13 (He) has

given us everything we need

has given us his very great

and precious promises

- Promises are access!

- I can't raise 2:4: My

message and my preaching

were not with wise

and persuasive words

- (vs. 5) 'so that your faith might
not rest on man's wisdom'

- (vs. 6)

* 2 Peter 1:4: precious promises

so that through them you may

participate

* Stagnation and Growth

- The danger of not growing in
your relationship with God

- you're always moving as a
believer

- 2 Peter 1:8: possess these
qualities in increasing measure

• The Dead Sea has no life

→ constantly taken in (water)

but never going out (water)

- As long as we're making a bicycle
stands up

• Many believers are being

propped up

• undisciplined

* 2 Peter 1:9: near-sighted and blind

→ No vision

→ Proverbs 29:18 where there is no vision the people perish

* Ephesians 1:17

* 1 Corinthians 2:9: No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived, what God has prepared

* Jeremiah 29:11-12

* Vision is when God gives inspiration of your purpose

* Before you trusted with the hidden stuff, God gives you time to do the obvious things

= 1 Thess. 4:3: It is God's will that you should be sanctified!

→ avoid sexual immorality

* Acts 13:1-2: While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said --

* Ephesians 1:17: pray, the eyes of your heart may be enlightened

* Isaiah 2:2: Write down the revelation ^(vision) and make it plain

NOTE! 1 Timothy 4:34: For everything God created is good and nothing is to be rejected if it is received w/ thanksgiving... consecrated by prayer



* 1 Corinthians 5:1-5, 6, 9



- there is sexual immorality among you
- hand this man over to Satan
- a little yeast works through the whole batch!
- not to associate with sexual immoral people.

* Sin ought to bother you.

- 2 Peter 2:4

- Proverbs 9:10: "Let those who love the world hate evil"

- 1 Corinthians 3:16: "God's spirit lives in you; if anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him."

o Acts 5 (11-2-5) 29

* Acts 6:8: they could not stand up against his wisdom - the Spirit

* Acts 7:1-3

* Acts 7:55-56: Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit - Jesus standing at the right hand of God

* Stephen was the first ^{Christian} martyr (giving their lives for the kingdom)


* Acts 7:51-60:

* Acts 8:1-6: Saul began to destroy the church ... Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went ... When the crowds heard Philip and saw the miraculous signs

* Acts 2:42-43

* Mark 16:20: the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by signs

* Acts 8:19-23: Simon the sorcerer ... may your money perish with you.

* 1 Corinthians 12:12-13 (The body is a unit) baptized by  on Spirit

* Act 8:26

* Joel 2 - He'll restore the vine
you lost* Titus 3:9-10. avoid foolish controversies
-- these are unprofitable
and useless. Warn a
divisive person twice
... self-condemned* 2 Tim 2:24: Lord's servant must
not quarrel ... (but)
able to teach...

* Acts 9:3, 17-19 (Saul's conversion)

* Acts 10:34, 38: God does not show
favoritism? ...God anointed Jesus
-- with the Holy Spirit* John 3:34: God gives the Spirit
without limits* Job 2:36: Very well, then he
is in your hands, but
you must spare his life* Job 1:20, 22: Then he fell to the
ground in worship
... Job did not sin
by charging God
with wrong doing* Job 2:7: Satan went out ...
and afflicted Job* Act 11:25-26: The disciples were
called Christians

* Prophecy - gift of prophesying 31

- prophecy \Rightarrow gift

- prophesying \Rightarrow predicting a future event

* Acts 11:27-28: predicted severe famine

- Prophet - word of wisdom

- present

* 1 Corinthians 12:28: In the Church,

(no evangelist)

* Can money obstruct?

- Act 19:11-12: yes (but not for mag)

* Acts 8:20: you thought you could buy the gift of God with money!

O } Sunday Service (6-4-6)
M } * Luke 11:1-4
I } * It's easy to pray
T }





* 2 Peter 1:5-11

* Psalm 34:11 - 'Whoever
of you loves life and desires to
see many good days, keep your
tongue from evil ...'

* You're calling

* 2 Peter 1:9 - 'if anyone does not
have them, he is nearsighted and
blind (no vision) and has forgotten
that he has been cleansed from his
past sin (backslider)'

* 2 Peter 1:8: Increasing measures
(growth)

↳ 2 Cor. 3:17-18 the Spirit of
the Lord is, there is freedom. And
we, who with unveiled faces all
reflect the Lord's glory, are being
transformed - with ever-increasing
glory

- John 15:1-2: my Father is the
gardener. He cuts off every branch
in me that bears no fruit. - he
prunes so that it will be even
more fruitful

* 2 Peter 1:12-13: So I will always
remind you... it is right to renew
your memory as long as I live
in the tent of this body (tempary)

* Hebrews 10:24: let us spur
one another... let us not give
up meeting together

* 1 Peter 4:7¹⁰ Be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray. ... Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others

* 1 Timothy 4:14 : Do not neglect your gift

* Luke 10:1 : sent them two by two

* Hebrews 12:2 : for the joy set before him

* 1 Kings 18:44, 46 : The power of the Lord came upon Elijah... he ran ahead of Ahab (rode on horses)

* 1 Corinthians 7:32³⁵ I would like to be free from concern. An unmarried man is concerned about the Lord's affairs... a married man is concerned about the affairs of the world





o The missionary Journey of Paul
and the Establishing of the Churches
* Acts 13 (11-9-5)

* Acts 13:1-3, 9: Saul, who was also

Background on Paul
Note: Paul assignment was to the
Gentiles; wrote 13 books -

- Galatians 2:7: a pastor to the Gentiles
- Philippians 3:3-6 tribe of Benjamin
- 1 Corinthians 7:7-8: one has this gift, another has that
... stay unmarried, as I am.
- 1 Corinthians 7:34: Her aim is to be devoted to the Lord both body and spirit
- 1 Corinthians 7:9: better to marry than burn in passion
- Matthew 19:10-12
- Acts 21:37-38 Paul was a Roman soldier (African)
• "Aren't you the Egyptian?"
- Acts 2:5-10: Jews in Adrian

* Acts: books of history of Churches

- Acts 14:19: They stoned Paul
- The more you suffer for the Kingdom, the greater your reward
- Romans 8:18: Our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory
- Romans 8:17: we share in his suffering
wonder that we may share in his glory

* 2nd missionary journey: established
3 churches: Thessalonica, Corinth,
Philippi

* 3rd missionary journey: established
Ephesus

* Acts 13: 21-22: "man after my
my own heart"

* Acts 13: 46-47: appointed

* Acts 14: 23: Paul appointed elders

* Acts 15: 36-40: Church breakup

* John 13: 34: A new Command: love
one another

* 1 John 4: 20-21: "I love God yet
hate his brother, he is not"

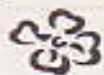
* 1 John 4: 7-11: Since God so loved us,
we also ought to love
one another

* Romans 12: 17-18: If it is possible,
as far as it depends on you,
live at peace with everyone

* Psalm 34: 17



o Acts 16 (11-16-5)



* Paul was a Jew, Roman and a Pharisee (knew the law)

- Acts 22:3 'trained in the law'

- Philippians 3:4-6: 'a Pharisee'

* Paul was a Roman citizen

- Acts 22:25: 'I am a Roman citizen'

* Paul was an Asiatic Jew

* Paul organized 3 churches:

- Thessalonians

- Philippi

- Corinth

- Ephesus

NOTE: Paul did not organize the Colosse church

* Paul was a tentmaker

- Acts 18:3

NOTE: Acts 17:11 states that

'examined the scriptures everyday to see if what Paul said was true.'

* Baptism (again)

- Acts 19:3-5: (received John's baptism) 'on hearing this, they were baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus.'

NOTE: announced handkerchiefs

- Acts 19:12

* Working of Miracles (gift at work)

- Acts 20:7, 9-11: 'Dead men 'He's alive''

* Confirmation from God

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- Acts 21:7 - : Agabus predicts
(prophesying)

note: present → knowledge
future → wisdom

- Acts 20:22-23 : the Holy Spirit
warns me

- Jeremiah 29:11-13 : plans to
prosper you ... seek me with
all your heart

* Paul gets arrested / goes to trial

- Acts 22, 23

* Perfect your testimony

- Acts 26:1-16 : Paul's testimony

- 1 Peter 3:15 : Always be prepared
to give an answer to everyone

- Psalm 40:1- : 'He lifted me
out of the slimy pit; put a
new song in my mouth'

- Acts 26:24-32

- Acts 27:21-22 : ship will be
destroyed

- Acts 27:31 : stay on the ship
to be saved

- Acts 28:1-5 : shake off the snake

note: Mark 16:15-18 : picking up
snakes (taken out of context)

* Be in an adverse situation and be blessed

- Acts 28:17-18 : They examined
me and wanted to release me

- Acts 28:30-31





* Paul's 4th missionary trip (?)

- Romans 15:24; 15:28

I will go Spain

* 65 AD - Anno Domini

(Year of our Lord)

- 2 Tim 4:6: Time has come
for my departure (beheaded)

(by Nero) (68 AD)

- Phillipians 1:21-24: it is

necessary for you that I

remain in the body

Nero: Bible and Finance;

Bible and Health

° Portraits of Faith I

* Matthew 8:1-4, 10: "if you are willing, you can make me clean..."

"I am willing" ... "Such great faith"

* Last week: "Strength for the Journey"

* the just shall live by faith

* Romans 1:17: The righteous will live by faith

* If we ^{go} get to where god wants to go, we have to talk about faith

- Sirloin steak and salad faith

* Romans 4:1-2 Accept him whose faith is weak... One man's faith all how eat everything

* Faith is believing and acting on God's word

* Hebrews 11:6

* Adversity will help you establish priorities

* Job 14:1: those few days will be full of trouble

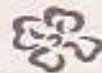
⇒ you are going to go through test and trials

* Everybody is at different level of faith

- Romans 12:3: in accordance with measure of faith God

has given you
* Faith is not ~~what you say~~
- James 2:14: "if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds?"

Can such faith save him?



* Do you serve him?



- James 2:19 Even the demons believe (do you serve him?)

* Talking faith is not going to change your situation

- Galatians 6:10: do good to all people, especially... who belong to the family of believers

* Jesus is going to respond to your faith

* Episodes of Faith

- Matthew 8:1-3: Man healed of leprosy

- Believe God for what he said and what he promised

- John 3:34: God gives the Spirit without limit

- 3 John 2: I pray that you may enjoy good health

- Daniel 1:8-12: Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine... Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink

- Luke 12:30-32: your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom

- Luke 10:8-9: Heal the sick... The kingdom of God is near you.

* Paul's letter to the church in Rome

* Romans 1: Doctrinal Book (explains what Jesus meant)

* 57 AD

* Romans 16:1: Phoebe, Deaconess
(delivered letter to Rome.)

* Romans 15:23-24, 28

* Acts 28:16: Paul was under house arrest (prisoner)

* Theme of the book of Romans

- Romans 1:16-17: The righteous will live by faith (4 times in Bible)

→ You should be growing in your faith (From faith to faith)

* Romans 1:18-20: God has made it plain... so that men are without excuse

* Psalm 19:1: "the skies proclaim the work of his hands"

* Romans 1:25: "They exchanged the truth of God for a lie"

* Romans 1:26-27: natural vs. unnatural; perversion

* 2 Peter 2:4-8: (was tormented in his righteous soul)

* Romans 2:12-16: those who obey the law will be declared righteous... God will judge men's secrets

* Romans 2: 28-29: Circumcision
 is circumcision of the heart, by
 the Spirit?

* justification = righteousness

* Isaiah 53: 11

* Romans 3: 9-10, 20: There
 is no righteous, not even
 one

* Galatians 3: 24-25: no longer
 under the supervision of
 the law

* Romans 3: 21-24: are justified
 freely by his grace

* 2 Corinthians 5: 20: We are
 therefore Christ's ambassadors
 ... Be reconciled to God

* 2 Corinthians 5: 11-15: For Christ's
 love compels us

* 1 Peter 4: 7: be clearminded
 and self-controlled so that you
 can pray

* 1 Peter 4: 8-11: serve others
 it as one speaking the very
 words of God

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o Can Jesus see "inner faith" [Portrait of Faith] (p. 4-5)

* Matt 9:1-2 "saw their faith"

* Mark 2:1-5 "saw their faith"

* "The just shall live by faith"
- 4 times in the Bible

* Hebrews 12:2: "Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith"

* God is not impressed by our languages

* Many Christians are locked in a cell called "non-commitment"

- being on the outskirts

- Christ is looking for persons that will commit

• Not being a hearer of the word, but a doer also

• Faith work requires work on your part

* Satan represents obstacles in your life

* Unorthodox faiths

- Mark 2:4: they made an opening in the roof

* Christians have high mountains and low valleys

* 1 Cor. 1:26-28 choose foolish things to shame the wise; weak to shame the strong

* Isaiah 64:6 ~~by our best days~~
are of filthy rags





- * What are your holding to - that you won't let go?
- * James 2:14-19: what good is it - if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds?
- * James 2:12-1-23: his faith and his actions were working together and his faith was made complete by what he did
- * James 5:13-14: trouble? He should pray... sick? He should call the elders
- initiate
- * 1 Cor. 2:14-5: demonstration of the spirit's power... so that your faith might not rest on man's wisdom

o Romans 4 (12-6-8) 45

* We talked about justification and redemption

* Romans 3:25: demonstrate his justice... (but some committed beforehand unpunished)

- propitiation: sacrifice of atonement (scapegoat - scape lamb)

- we are justified by faith

- he justified before circumcised

* Romans 4:1-3

- before we chose God, he chose us

• John 15:16: "You did not choose me, but I chose you"

• **Ephesians 2:8**: it is by grace you have been saved through faith... it is gift of God

note: we are saving saving faith but there is also the gift of faith and working faith

* Romans 4:20-22 "it was credited to him as righteousness"

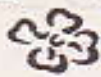
* Romans 5:18: one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men

* Romans 5:1: since we have been justified thru faith, we have peace of God (absence of anxiety)

* When you don't have peace

- Ephesians 5:6: God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient... do not be partners with them

46 * 2 Corinthians 6:14: Do not be
yoked together with unbelievers



* 2 Chronicles 19:1-2: Should
you help the wicked and love
those who hate the Lord?

* Fruit of justification and
righteousness

- Romans 5:3-5: Sure joy in our
sufferings... hope does not
disappoint us

* Romans 6-8: How we are able
to make change?

- Romans 6:1-6: we too may
live a new life... we should
no longer be slaves to sin
• It's all in your mind!!

- Colossians 3:1-4: Set your
minds on things above,
not on earthly things

- Romans 12:2: be transformed
by the renewing of your mind

- What is it that will renew the mind

• Colossians 3:16: hymns
and spiritual songs

* Romans 7:5: we were controlled
by the sinful nature, the sinful
passions aroused

- Romans 7:7: I would not
have known what sin was
except through the law

- Romans 7:14-17: it is the
living in me

- Romans 7:18-19 For I have the
desire to do what is good ... the
evil I don't do - this I keep
on doing - (addiction)

- Romans 7:20, 22-24, 25

- Romans 8:1-13: there is no
condemnation for those who are
in Christ Jesus ... You are
controlled not by the sinful
nature but by the spirit
... but if by the Spirit you put
to death the misdeeds of the
body, you will live



• Romans 9 (12-14-5)



* Romans 7:21: when I want to do good, evil is right there with me

* Romans 8:12-14

* Galatians 5:18, 22-23: live by the spirit

* Romans 10:9

* Ezekiel 18:30-31: get a new heart and a new spirit... Repent and live

* 2 natures

- holy spirit and flesh

* Romans 6:5-13

* Galatians 5:24

* Psalm 55:16-17: Evening Musing, etc.

* Daniel 6:10: Three times a day

* Ephesians 5:18-19: psalms, hymns and spiritual songs

* Romans 9-11: God and Israel

* Romans 9:27: only the remnant will be saved

* Abraham, Father of Israel

* Romans 9:50-32

* Romans 10:1-2: zealous for God

* Romans 10:3-4, 9-10, 14-15, 17

* Luke 9:23: take up his cross

(deny thyself and follow me)

* Romans 11:25

* when last Jew is converted, Tribulation begins

* Jeremiah 30:7:

* Psalm 122:5-6: Pray for the peace 49
of Jerusalem (Jesus is peace of Jerusalem)

* Genesis 25:16

- Ishmael and Isaac lived in hostility

* Revelations 19:11-15, 16, 17-20

* Revelations 20:10

* Revelations 21:1-5

* 1 Corinthians 16:21-22

* 2 Timothy 4:6-8

* Daniel 9:26-27



• Lessons from Christmas



* Luke 2:8-14

* The attention of the world is turned
towards spiritual things

• Satan's job to take the Christ
out of Christmas

* Embassadors of Christ

• 2 Cor 5:20

* Trappings of Christmas

- Jesus solved the sin problem

• Romans 6:23

- Jesus solves the separation problem

• 1 Peter 3:18

- Jesus solves the sanctification problem

• Hebrews 10:10 'we have become holy'

• 1 Cor 6:9 'you were ungodly'

* Christmas

- Mass of Christ

- X - chi - Christos ⇒ Xmas

- December 25th: San. Cels. celebration

- Santa Claus: priest (Nicholas)

• Saint Nicholas

• Saint Claus (Germany)

- Green - life

- holly - blood

- wreath - Roman victory symbol

- candy cane - J - Jesus

- stripes: beaten

* Kwanzaa

- cannot be supported scripturally

- cults from the mother land

- 1966: Dr. Coates

- Dec 26 three New year
- 7 principles
 - promote unity and connect with culture
 - liberation - connection with the divine being and the God
- Upiha torika - connecting with the dead

→ Deuteronomy 18:9-13 consults the dead

* Matthew 1:21-24
(NO SUFFERING, CELEBRATE)

* Matthew 2:1-2, 11 - worship him
(WORSHIPPING BEFORE PRESENTS)

* Luke 2:12-14: peace to men on whom his favor rests

* Hebrew 12:14: Make every effort to live in peace with all men

* Luke 2:15-18: when they had seen him... we amazed





* Romans 11:25

o Romans 12-16

* Hebrews 5:11 : you ought to be teachers

* Romans 12:1-2

- You can't have Jesus and hold onto
to this world* Exodus 3:1-4:18 : you have to look,
God called

* Jeremiah 29:11-13

* Romans 12:4-8

* 1 Corinthians 12

* Galatians

} gifts

o will count

* Romans 13:1

* Roman 9:17 : I raised you up for
this very purpose, that I might display
my power

* Acts 4:8-13

* Romans 13:

* Acts 5:29 : Obey God rather
than man

* Exodus 1:15-21 midwives found God

* Romans 13:1-7, 2:3: rebelling

against authority is rebelling

against God as rulers hold in terror

for those who do right

* Genesis 9:6 capital punishment

* Leviticus 24:22

* Numbers 35:9-25

* Romans 13:1-4

* Romans 12:13-14, 15-16

c Do you want to get well? (1-1-6) 53

* John 5:1-6

* Resolution is based on motivation - we need something more powerful - inspiration

* What does wholeness (wellness) look like?

- well is not set by you or your peers

- well - sturdy

- Matt 9:21-22: your faith has made you whole (healed)

- Luke 8:34-36: demon possessed man had been cured (healed)

- 3 John 1:2: enjoy good health and that all may go well

- John 10:10: I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full


~~***~~ - Luke 2:52 Jesus grows in wisdom (mentally) and stature (physically) and in favor with God (spiritually) and men (socially)

* You can't minister to others being broken

- what keeps us from being whole?

- John 5:5: invalid for 38 years

- John 2:1-6, 7: Satan caused the sickness; Lord cured the sickness

* - Colossians 2:8-9: See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human traditions 

* We have several folks that are not whole



- Principles of the world and philosophy are aligned with demonic powers

- its all about knowledge

• descriptive philosophy has infiltrated the church

- i.e. Christians that follow astrology

• astrology is a form of witchcraft and divination

• a straight habit develops (habit)

- i.e. prescription drugs, gambling, food

• 1 Timothy 4:4-5 For everything

God created is good, and nothing

is to be rejected

* How do we get to whole rest?

- Jesus

- Ephesians 1:20-22: And God

placed all things under his feet

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* Romans 10:14-17: how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ... faith comes by hearing - I heard that the word of Christ

* who has believed?

- he is a reminder of those who diligently seek after him (Hebrews 11:6)
- You can't believe in something you have not heard
- God wants us to seek after him
- There are always things that are going to go on your life that you cannot conquer
 - but God will deliver you
- John 14:1: let not your hearts be troubled; Believe in God; Believe also in me
- Galatians 3:1-5: After beginning with the Spirit are you not trying to attain your goal by your effort
- I don't know the right thing to do unless I (hear) from God
 - He may not care what you want to but he always listens
- We got to move in our making
- Little becomes much in the Master's hand
- Focus on the things of God
- (no money to go to school)
- Matthew 25:40: when you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine you did for me



- 2 Peter 1:5-7: add to your
 faith (grace) ^{of grace} knowledge, self-control
 (patience) perseverance, goodness, brotherly
 kindness, love

- Do not replace the word of God
 with edu

- 2 Peter 1:19-21

- 1 Peter 1:18: it was not with
 perishable things that you were
 redeemed

- Your growing has nothing
 to do with your education
 and income but your faith
 in God

~~faith~~
~~education~~
~~income~~
~~growing~~

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* Luke 8:22-25

* Where? Galilee (Jesus preached where people were cast off, oppressed)

* When? Storms come when you're feeling your strongest or weakest (at your best or at your worst)

* Why? Satan will (attempt) to have some influence in your lives. Satan is still here. If Satan is ~~not~~ bothering you, your life isn't worth very much.

* What? Just because you walk with Jesus doesn't mean storms won't come in your life.

= Businesses are in the business of ~~feeling~~ feeling our storms (by dragging, for example).

- When Jesus stops a storm, the storm seizes

- The story doesn't end till you get to other side (Gerasenes) (8:26)

• How many boats didn't make it to other side?

• The only way you're going to make it is to have Jesus in your boat



o Sons of God Sunday School

(1-29-6)

* 1 Tim 5:1-8, 17-25

* Mercy and Justice

* Behavior towards others

- honor all men

- 1 Peter 2:17

* How do we interact with

- as mothers, sisters

* Provs 15:1 - Gentle

answer - turns away wrath,

but a harsh word stirs up

anger

* James 1:19-20

* John 15

- (vs 12, 13, 34-35)

- love and truth

* Matt: 18:15

- go tell and bind between

you and brother also

*

o Sons of God Sunday Service

(1-29-6)

* Revelations 21:1-4

* Matthew 7:13-14: narrow

vs. broad gates

- There are a whole lot of folks that

look like they are going the right

way, but are going wrong way

• In some instances, the church

is blocking the sanctification

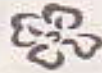
process (hug her, big chair)

- We have to be careful doors of his word
- In broad way, you can still be selfish
- In the narrow way, it's tight, you got to squeeze to get in
 - if you get through, you experience freedom (on the other side)
- Conditional Promise: If you do what God says, he will (do for you)
- (Don't follow crowds)

o Sons of God Sunday School (3-5-6)

* 2 Tim. 1:3-14

- Paul writes to Timothy
- Timothy got his faith from his mother and grandmother
- Paul was in prison
- * Be true to our Christian heritage (remember what your birthright is)
- * Unfeigned ~~faith~~
 - genuine, not - pretend, sincere, without hypocrisy
- * Isaiah 26:3: You will keep in perfect peace



- o Song of Good Sermon (2-8-6)
- * John 13:34-35 I love one another
 - * Galatians 5:16 I fear the expression
I seek & through love
 - * 1 Corinthians 13
 - * Deuteronomy 6:3-23:
Love the Lord your God with
all your heart ... Fear God,
serve him only & take
your oaths in his name
 - * You have to keep recharging the
spirit
 - Charge your love up
 - go to the word and see how
much he loves you
 - * God's love is demonstrable
 - picking you up
 - washing you
 - * Galatians 5:22 The fruit
of the Spirit is love

- o Song of Good Sermon (2-19-6)
- * John 20:15-17
 - * Brother, Brother, Loveth Thou Me
 - * 2 Chronicles 16:9: For the eyes of the
Lord range throughout the earth
to strengthen those whose hearts
are fully committed to him
 - * When we trip up, he loves us
 - * Romans 12:9: ~~Be~~
 - * You can burn all the bridges; but
it won't stop God from loving you

* The question is not whether
God loves you but whether you
love God 61

o Sons of God's Sunday Service (2-26-6)

* Ephesians 4:14-16

* Your love is short-circuiting
your faith

* John 17:17: Sanctify them
by the truth; your word is
truth

o Sons of God Sunday Service (3-5-6)

* Love

- John 21:15-19 Feed my
lambs (sheep) - commandment
by Jesus

• Galatians 5:6 faith expressed
through love


- Ephesians 4:15 speaking to the
truth in love

- Ephesians 5:1-2 live a life
of love

• Galatians 5:16 (walk)

Live in the Spirit

• To walk in the Spirit,
be obedient to the truth
of God (James 1:22)

• Deuteronomy 10:12 to walk
in the ways, to love
him 



• Deut. 11:22 love the
Lord your God, to walk
in all his ways

• Psalm 23

o SOGO Service (3-12-6)

* Let first things be first

* Revelations 2:1-7 I
have somewhat against thee,
because thou hast left thy
first love

* If there is a 1st love, there
must be a 2nd love

- Matthew 22:37-39, the
second (great command) is...

Thou shalt love thy
neighbor as thyself

* You can't love in him
in good times and forget
about him in the bad
(hard) times.

* If your love is corrupted, you
will pass corrupted love on

* 1 Cor. 13

* 1 Chron 16:8

o SOGO Service (3-19-6)

* And great news stopped him

* 2 Samuel 12:7-14

* Illness is the devil's workshop

- 2 Samuel 11:27: But the thing David had done displeased the Lord

- 2 Samuel 12:7: You are the man! (he took the ewe lamb that belonged to the poor man) (vs. 4)

• took the wife which was his wife

- All sin is against God
- God never stopped him but God restored him

o Sons of God (3-26-6)

* John 4:20-24

* Worship God in spirit and in truth

* Its hard to get Jesus point
A to Z if you don't go thru point, B, C and D

* Salvation is of the Jews


o Program - Revival 1 (After Easter)

- Tuesday - Scripture
- Wednesday - prayer

o SOGO Bible Study (4-4-2)

(Minister Holmes)

* Last week: Jeremiah

* This week: Lamentations means "cry out loud" 

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* Author: Jeremiah



* Jeremiah 1:1

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~~1:18~~

* How does one get a new heart?

- allow God to give

you a new heart

- Surrender all to Christ

- Your determination when

you get that heart

→ ^{that} some people lagged

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o SOGO Sunday Service (4-9-6)

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* John 12:12-19

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* John 2:29-35

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* If you need a break through
look to Jesus and live

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o SOGO Bible Study (4-11-6)

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* The week before Easter is

the passion week (suffering
week)

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- Palm Sunday (before
Easter) - laid down palms
and clothes on the road
of Jesus

- { Matt 21

John 12

Luke 19

Mark 11

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- Daniel, Zechariah,
Isaiah prophesied
crucifixion

- Good Friday - Jesus crucified
- * Matt 21 (The Triumphal Entry)
- * Isaiah 62:11
- * Zech 9:9

* When he came to town riding on a colt, he symbolized his leadership (humbly)

- passion lamb
- paschal lamb

* Exodus 12:3

* John 12:1, 12-13

* Hebrews 10:5-7 (Jesus' purpose: 'sacrifice and offering')

- your purpose is from God (your designer)

(EASTER)

o 5060 Sunday Service (4-16-6)

* Isaiah 53:7-12

* The principle on the Law of Substitution

- They beat him with 39 lashes

- Ecclesiastes 8:8


- Romans 6:23 The wages of sin is death

- Romans 5

- Matthew 16:24-25

whoever wants to save

his life, will lose it

but whoever loses his life for me will find it  Law of substitution

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- John 10:17-18

- Isaiah 57

- John 10:10

- Isaiah 59:20-21

o Sunday Service (SOGO) - 4/25/6

* Last Sunday - Substitution

- Isaiah 53

* Today - Trading Places

- Mark 16:7-20

- His (Jesus) part of the substitution was to go on the cross for others

- goal is to come back in relationship with him that was broken with Ab.

- Romans 5:8-9, 10-11

- justified; declared innocent

- Isaiah 59:1-2

o Bible Study (5-2-6)

* What has he invested in you?

* He substituted every sin with his son.

* He wanted us to live a selfless life.

* All of our righteousness is like filthy rag; instead it's in Christ Jesus

* Romans 5:8-13

* He paid the price

* The reason we don't stop (singing) because we don't want to stop

* The same way you get through the program is the same way you get life

- you need to study more (after finishing the program)

- the only way you are going to beat the flesh is by renewing your mind

* Your plans don't hold water

- if your plans (worked), you wouldn't be in here

o Sunday Service (5-14-6)

* Psalms 34:1-9

* Matthew 15:1-9 (traditions)

* Honoring your mother and father is not just a good idea; it's a commandment

- Exodus 20:12

- your behavior is another way of honoring your mother and father (also you judge)

- if you do not honor your father and mother, you're not going to honor God

- she showed me how to "wash, iron, sew, cook and clean"



- she knew what I was going to need
- Leviticus 19:3 you must respect (fear) his mother and father. I am the Lord your God
- Deuter 27:16
- Proverbs 1:8
- Proverbs 6:20
- Ephesians 6:1
- Colossians 3:20
- Honor your parents by the way you live your life

o Bible Study (5-16-6)

- * Last week: Matthew
- * Psynopsis (like view):
Matthew, Mark and Luke
- * He ~~is~~ that is greatest amongst you will (serve) you
- * We want to start looking for others like Jesus
- * Psalms 37:4 Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart
- when your heart becomes his heart
- * Mark 16:9-11, 12-13, 14, 15-21
- * Proverbs 8 (wisdom)

o Sunday Church Service (5-21-6) - 5060 6A

* Colossians 3:1-13

* Retreat : June 9, 10, 11

* Sermon : Follow Me!

(?) - John 21:18-22 Follow
me...

- We get distracted following others

- There's nothing from Jesus
that is fast and quick; If
we get something quick, ~~changes~~
come we are not going to
keep it

- Romans 8:28: in all things
we work for the good
of those who love him

- Take your plans to God: he
will change it and upgrade it,
(he may not accept it), or
he's going to bless it

- Psalms 103:12 As far as
east is from the west he
has removed our transgressions
from us

- Isaiah 26:3

- Psalms 37:4

o Bible Study (5-23-6)

* Matthew writes to Jews (Hebrews)

* ~~Mark~~ writes to Romans
(~~father - greek, mother - jew~~)

* Luke writes to Greeks 



* Many have started out the race, but did not finish
- obedience

* It's possible to grieve the Holy Spirit to the point where he stops functioning in our lives
- "a ship w/out a compass"

* Isaiah 6

- He will use you if you were abused

* James 1: like a man that looks in the mirror and does not remember what he looks like

* Central Message of Luke:

Luke 19:10 the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost

- Organization of Luke:

- Chap. 1-4: the narrative, boyhood and adulthood of Jesus

~~the narrative of Jesus' life~~

~~the narrative of Jesus' life~~

- Luke came after Jesus; he worked w/ Peter and Paul

- Luke also wrote Acts

x The only ^{one} that can strip his blessings from coming through his himself through acts of disobedience

* READ: LUKE, JOHN *

* 1 John 1:9 *

o Sunday School (5-28-6) 71

* Proverbs 31:8-14, 25-30

* Psalm 103

* Virtuous - a person of strong moral character

* Ruth 3:1-11: All my fellow townsmen know that you are a woman of noble character

* 1 Tim 5:13, 14-15 ... give the enemy no opportunity for slander

* Proverbs 31:30 ... beauty is within

o Sunday Service (5-28-6)

* 2 Peter 1:1-11: ... avoid being full

* Matt 4:18-19: ... "follow me"

* John 21:

* Isaiah 6:

* It's a high cost not following Jesus

* Rick Warren - stayed the same when became rich

* When stop coming to church, you stop following him

o Bible Study (5-30-6)

* John is like Genesis in the Old Testament

* Gen 1:1-3; John 1:1-4, 10-13, 17

Prayer
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* John 20:31

* I AM... (You do not need a god of [things] for each [thing])

* John 1:1-2

* Gap between Gen 1:1 and Gen 1:2 (creates earth again)

o Sunday Service (SOGG: 6-4-6)

* Luke 11:14 (The Lord's Prayer)

* It's Easy to Pray
- Prayer is communicating with God (and God talking back)

* John 16:13

* Matt 6:7-8

→ Matt 6:9-13 (The Lord's Prayer)

* John 13:1, 14:13-14 ask in my name

* James 5:14-15, 16 The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective

* Luke 22:39-43, 44, 45-46,

47-48 Pray that you will not fall into temptation, and if you are willing, take this cup from me.

* We can go straight to Jesus with prayer

* Luke 6:12 All night prayer; (vs. 13-16)

(many disciples but 12 chosen Apostles)

* Continual prayer

- Acts 6:1-4 give our attention to prayer; (vs. 5-6: named 7 more Apostles)

o Bible Study (6-6-6) [5060]* Acts, written by Luke

* Paul, Peter

* In Acts:

- Baptism of the Holy Spirit

* Note: Jesus came down 42 generations* Pentecost → 50

* We are too busy looking the supernatural

-^{He} provides for us (sign and wonder)* James You have not because you ask not

* There is no disappointment in God

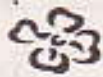
* Ephesians 3:20 who is able to do immeasurably moreo Sunday School (6-11-6) [5060]* 1 Cor. 2:1-16* Acts 13:43-46* John 8:29-32* 1 Cor. 1:27

* "Follow me as I follow Christ"

* The wisdom of God is a mystery to us

* Isaiah 53:1-10 - We all, like sheep, have gone astray

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* Rev. 1:18

* Luke 12:1-5

* 1 Cor. 2:9: Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

* John 14:26, 23-24

* James 1:2-8

* Eph. 1:15-21

o Sunday Service (6-11-6) [5060]

* Isaiah 43:1-10

- 2 Tim 3:16-17

- A commandment is not an option

- Part of the problem in our lives is we have assumed the role of God

o Base your decisions on the word of God

* The Word of God instructed

- Isaiah 59:21

- Isaiah 43

- stop jumping in and out (of the word)

* Communion

- 1 Cor 11:23-31

o SOGO Sunday School (6-18-6)⁷⁵

* Serving Together

- Division is a sign of immaturity

* 1 Cor 3:1-5

* Hebrews 5:8 yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered

* Galatians 5:14 love thy neighbor as thyself
→ Galatians 5:19-21

* 1 Cor 11:18 there are divisions among you

(-*) 1 Cor 14:26-28 (speaking in tongues requires interpreters)

* 1 Cor 3:7 God gives increase

* Matt 25:21

* 1 Cor 12:14-18 (one body many members)

* Luke 19:13 occupy till I come

o SOGO Sunday Service (6-18-6)

* Jude 17-25

* Psalms 146

* Father's Day

- Luke 1:16-17

- Malachi 4:4-6

He shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children

- Division is not of God

→ The major reason of separation is selfishness





* The word instructs me
how to be a father
(asthma)

* Purpose: to reproduce

* You may have missed out
in your physical life, but
it's not too late to (grow)
your spiritual life

* Though my outer man decays,
my inner man is renewed
day-by-day.

• SOGO Bible Study (6-20-6)

* Paul wrote Romans as
a letter to the Roman
Church while on a
3rd visit to Corinth

NOTE: Jesus' assignment was
to introduce the Church
Age to the desires of God

* Paul wrote the Epistles that
developed the doctrines
of the Church

-Ephesians 3:9

NOTE: Organization vs.
organism: Organism
has life and can
reproduce its own kind.
The Church is an organism.

o SOGO Sunday School (7-2-6)⁷⁷

* 1 Corinthians 7:1-15

- (vs. 9): But if they cannot
contain, let them marry
for it is better marry than
to burn

o SOGO Sunday Service (7-2-6)

* 1 John 3:11-18

* To find your purpose,
say yes to God

* Romans 7:15-20 it is no
longer I myself who do it

* Moses and Paul did not
know the when, how and where

* Philippians 4:11 I have learned
to be content

* Everything God does is
the specific

- consider Noah's arc

* Your willingness to obey him
is holding you up

- obedience is better than sacrifice

* The spiritually minded
follow the spirit

* You gotta to wait till
God get you back in place



◦ SOGO Bible Study (7-11-6)



* 1 Corinthians

- Letter written by Paul

* Galatians

- also letter written by Paul

- written to the church of Galatia

- people were perverting the gospel (anything that is not Christ-centered is not about God)

◦ SOGO Church Sunday Service (7-23-6)

* 2 Peter 1:1-8

* Romans 8:14

* 1 Corinthians 12-13 (last week)

* Ask not what the church can do for you, but what you can do for the church

* Gifts of offices vs. gifts (pastors, teaching) vs. (admin)

- it all works by love

→ (selfish love will get you mixed up)

→ (selfless love will give up self and focus on the family)

* Luke 19:16, 21: earned ten more; reap what you did not sow

* 1 Corinthians 13:4-7, 13

* John 12:24-25

* Galatians 3:26

* John 13: 13-17, 34-35 A new ⁷⁹
command: love one another

o SOGO Bible Study (7-25-6)

* Ephesians

- A letter written by Paul to the Church of Ephesus in prison
- Acts 16:6-8
- If I am following him, he opens doors that no one can open;
- Ephesians 4:11-13
 - These gifts ^{are} for the perfecting (of God's plan)
 - Church is spiritual training (like learning a new city)
- Acts 18:19-23
- Acts 19:8-10, 1-2
- Ephesians 1:9-10
- Ephesians 4:14-16


o SOGO Sunday Service (7-30-6)

* Acts 1:1-11

* 1 Thessalonians 4:9

* Love (least vs. love)

* How can love God ^{who we cannot see} and not love the brother you can see?

- Types of love
- * Phelios - brotherly love
 - * Eros - physical love
 - * Agape - Godly love
 - * Agapeo - love that does the right thing at that right time for right motive (selflessness)
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* John 12:25 (if you are so
in love with yourself you are
going to lose your life)

o SOGO Sunday Church Service
(8-6-6)

* Ephesians 6:10-18

(Dates: Baptism; Saturday)

* Saturday, 9 AM; PICNIC

* 2 King 4:1-7 (oil & spirit of G)

* What Do You Have?

- we often focus on
what we don't have,
rather than what we have

- Somewhere inside you, you
have everything you need
to succeed as long as you
accepted Jesus Christ as
your savior

o SOGO Bible Study (8-8-6)

* Colossians

- written by Paul in jail
to church in Colosse (62 AD)

- Paul does not know the people

- Epaphroditus (and Philemon)
established church

- 12 miles from Laodicea

* Colossians 1:28 teaching... all wisdom

* Colossians 1:15-18 he is the
head of the body, the church

* Colossians 2:18 Do not let anyone who
delights in... the worship of angels disqualify you

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* Colossians 2:16: do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink

o Chapel Service (8-8-6)

* 'I Declare War'

* Amos 3:1-3: I will punish you for all your sins

* We lose our dreams when we rebel against God

* Joseph had a dream (God gave him the dream)
- went from the prison to the palace

o SOGO Sunday Service (8-13-6)

* Psalms 23

* Romans 12:1-3

- (Do not be an expounder of scripture, but ~~be~~ doer)

- God is going to get the glory with or without you
"Every knee will bow and every tongue will confess"

* Communion

- 1 Corinthians 11:23-31

o SOGO Sunday Service (8-20-6)

* Deuteronomy 28:1-14 (obedience)

* Romans 12:1-2 (a living sacrifice)

- instead of going where you want to go, go where he wants you to go



- * John 10:11 The good shepherd
lays down his life
- * 1 Corinthians 3:9 we are
God's fellow workers (a co-laborer
with God)

o SOGO Church Service (8-27-6)

- * John 17:1-15
- * 1 Peter 1:23 born again
- * Matthew 13
- * 1 Peter 1:22
- * James 2:14-16 faith
but has not deeds
- James 2:17-21 faith without
deeds is useless
- John 4:31-33
- * Isaiah 28:9
- * The work of perfection
- God shows us our spots
- * Get off milk - Get to
the meat
- * What I do want show up
until later
- * Hebrews 5:12-14 milk
vs. solid food

o SOGO Bible Study (8-29-6)

- * 2 Thessalonians
- * Day of the Lord - Judgment
- * Day of Christ - Rapture
- * 1 Corinthians 1:8 - day of our
Lord

- * 1 Corinthians 5:5 day of our Lord
- * 2 Corinthians 1:14 day of the Lord
- * Phil. 1:6, 10 day of Christ Jesus
- * Phil. 2:16 day of Christ
- Phil 2:13 it is God who works in you

* Baptism: James Seagans
James Williams

o SOGO (9-3-6) Sunday Service

- * Psalms 24
- * Isaiah 55:8-11
- * Hosea 10:12
- * Luke 19:12-14

o Bible Study (9-5-6) - T. Ross

- * Titus
 - written by Paul, apostle to gentiles
 - Pastoral Book
- * Titus 1
 - qualifications for a Bishop
 - uses Titus, similar to Timothy, on missionary journeys
- * Qualifications (of an overseer/Bishop)
 - one wife
 - "blameless"
 - teachable spirit
 - "encourage others by sound doctrine"
- * Older men and women
 - develop qualities that profess holiness



SOGO Bible Study (9-12-6)



* Philemon

- * letter about a run-away slave
- * Onesimus is a slave of Philemon
- * Philemon 16 no longer a slave,
but better than a slave,
as a dear brother
- * whatever is not of faith is sin

SOGO Sunday Service (9-17-6)

* Proverbs 11:9-21

* John 12:24-26

* Dying (daily)

- 6 Jews cannot hurt
you when you're dead
- Stricks and stones cannot
hurt you when you're dead
- You are born loser until
you are born again (?)

SOGO Sunday Service (9-24-6)

* John 15:1-11

* Romans 12:1-3

* ~~Covenant~~ Agreement: don't
think more highly of yourself
than you ought

- Romans 10:8-9, 10-11, 13

.. for EVERYONE who calls
on the name of the
Lord will be saved.

- Hebrews 10:3-9

- Isaiah 14:12-20 (Lusifer)

o SOGO Bible Study (9-26-6) 85

* Hebrews

- the priesthood of Jesus
- written to the Christian Jews (brought up by old covenant)
- the new covenant is better than the old covenant (Christ is better)
- Hebrews 10:1-18 And where there have been forgiven, there is no longer any sacrifice for sin
- Everybody has faith: But what kind of faith do you have?

o SOGO Sunday Service (10-1-6)

* Psalm 98

* What Now?

- Deuteronomy 6:3-15
- Don't forget how God delivered you.
- The word of God comforts the soul.

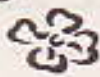
o SOGO Bible Study (10-3-6)

* ^(Churches focus) Apostle of Hope - Peter

- An Apostle hears directly from God (Jesus); Note: A disciple is one who follows the word of God

* Matthew 4:1-11: Jesus tempted by the devil; Jesus responded it is written

* 1 John 2:16: everything in the world came not from the Father but from the world



* Matthew 4:12, 17-19: (Jesus)

Saw two Brothers, Peter
for they were fishermen

* Matthew 16:13-15, 16-20, 21-23

"Who do you say I am?"

"You are the Christ"

o SOGO Christian Meditation (10-80)

* Psalms 100

* Pastor Carothers (10-23)

* Galatians 5:16-17

* Walk in the Spirit

- Psalms 119:1-8 Memorized,

who walk according to the law of
the Lord

* Communion

- 1 Corinthians 11:22-29

o SOGO Bible Study (10-10-6)

* Peter - fisherman, Apostle

- denied Jesus 3 times

- Apostle of Hope

* 1 Peter 1:3 a living hope

thru the resurrection of Jesus Christ

- Hebrews 11:1 substance of things

hope for
- Hope is full of faith

* 2 Timothy 2:15 study

* Faith comes by hearing and

hearing by the word of God

o SOGO Sunday Service (10-15-6)

- Psalm 97: 1-12
- Acts 13: ~~1-2~~
- o David sinned: counted the people, had many wives, and committed adultery but God still used him
- o Psalm 119: 9-11, 12-16

o SOGO Bible Study (10-17-6)

* Peter

- walked on water
- "upon this rock I build my church"
- filled w/ the Holy Spirit (no substitute)
- NOTE: you can be ^(sealed) ~~sealed~~ but still not be filled with the Holy Spirit
- John 14:1 Do not let your hearts be troubled.

o SOGO Sunday Service (10-22-6)

- * The Simplicity of the Gospel of Jesus Christ
- * 2 Corinthians 11: 1-4
- * Acts 4: 13

o SOGO Bible Study (10-24-6)

* Jude → brother of James

→ half-brother of Jesus

- John 7: 2-8 for ever his own brothers did not believe in him

* Judas (in acts) is Jude

- Acts 1: 13



Jude 1:1-3, 4, 5-7, 8-11



- gives example of old Testament about 'sin and doom of Godless men'

* Baptism - Emersion

- Matthew 28:19

- Baptism (emersion) demonstrates the death, burial and resurrection

• Romans 6:3-4

- Matthew 3:13-16 Jesus baptized by John

- Subjects of Baptism

• Romans 10:9-10 believers

- Baptism is a church ordinance

• Acts 2:38, 41, 46-47

• Acts 10:48 So he ordered that they be baptized -

• Mark 16:14-16 whoever believes and is baptized will be saved.

- Repent

• Matthew 4:17

• Mark 1:14-15

o New Covenant (10-22-6)

* Romans 8:1-14

* Bible Study - John

* Time's Beginning: Gen 1:1

Ending: Rom 22:20

Isaiah 55:6

* John 5:1-9

* Learning How to Let Go

- Everyone has a past (good and bad)

- physical, mental, emotional, verbal scars

- The atmosphere is thick with past failures

- Quit comparing your life to other

- God gives us faith of different measure

- God didn't bring you out of bondage to go back into bondage

- Get around people who interested in your future and not your past

o New Covenant Bible Study (11-1-6)

* Psalms 92

* Romans 8:18-28

* Synoptic gospels - Matt, Mark, Luke (similar stories)

* John written 100 AD

- more gentiles than jews in church

- not a book of proof of Jesus Christ

- is a book about what are you going to do with your life





- only one that talked about Nicodemus (John 3)
(must be born of the

water and of the spirit)

• your flesh will die, but your spirit will live

- Woman at Samaria (you can be saved not what you look like) - John 4

- Lazarus

- washing your neighbor's feet

- Thomas

- Andrew (evangelism)

- Detail: John 6: 15, 19

John 2: 6

- Jews believed 'the word' while Greeks relied on reason

- God likes to operate thru others

- Logos

① His word

② His ^{logic} reason (discernment)

◦ New Commandment Prayer Breakout (11-4-6)

* Matthew 6: 33-34

* We have more than what we need

* Temptation is much greater than before

* ^① Males, ^② Black, and ^③ Young ~~and~~ are under attack

* You cannot do what you did 50 years ago without education

* 2nd minority, no longer majority, minority - comes with a bad rap

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- Latinos are majority minority: have a stronger, passionate work ethic
 - Blacks used to have a stronger work ethic
 - No accident famous black men coming
 - Now trying to get off drugs, out of jail and in church
 - Some thing about black men
 - women left because they miss their feelings
 - men left because they get caught up (in the streets)
 - Women kind of ushers, greeters, and kitchen (at New Commandment)
 - No 'big shots', 'fat incomes' at New Commandment, get New Commandment things
 - Task for 2007: y'all solve together to deuplicate ourselves
 - Dec 9: Group basket ball tickets

o New Commandment (11-5-6)

* www.newcomm.org

- Some have burdens (such that you can't tell by the way they carry themselves)
- Matt 23:19 (if we saw load, we meet the min. requirements)

* Ephesian 6:13-14

* → Getting the best from God

* If everything were paydays

- we need ^{his} joy and his patience



- * Push away from neg. things)
- * Resist the devil and he will flee
- * 1 Cor. 10:13
- * 2 Cor. 13:24
- * Phil. 1:27
- * Phil. 4:1
- * 1 Thess. 3:8
- * Stand = trust, extend your faith
(Even if the devil sets a trap for you)
- God will repay you for stand
 - Trouble don't last always
 - We serve a God of rewards
 - Stand in line (the Pay Day line; not the complaint line)
 - You are going to get a blessing as long as you go 'till for that

• New Commandment (11-12-6)

* Revelation 21:1-8

* Psalm 34:1-6

* Acts 2:12

- Giving suddenly a chance.

① - If the wages of sin are death, then why are you still alive (through the grace of God)

② - God is God and God is sovereign

③ - God has an impeccable record of acting suddenly.

- You need to change your attitude.
 - You need victor's attitude (rather than) a victim's mentality (never)
 - "I'm looking for my suddenly"
 - You got to show the enemy that you are more determined than he is
 - There is no temptation ... he is not able to make a way of escape (1 Corinthians 10:13)
 - Suddenly (leads to your change) leads to incense
- (consider) your team effort
- When things get hot, show your salvation and not your share
- Proverbs 6:15: he will suddenly be destroyed
- Jeremiah 6:26: suddenly the destroyer will come

o New Command Bible Study (11-15-6)

* Psalm 34

* 5 Books attributed to John (also Revelation)

* Gospel of John, 1st John - written by Apostle John (in Ephesus)

* ~~2nd~~ 3rd John, 3rd John - written by John the Elder

- A respected Bishop in Ephesus {145 AD}

- 2 Tim 3:1-4





* Gospel of John

- The Prologue (John 1:1-18)
- (Proof of) Prologue (rest of John)
- You cannot separate God from Christ
- Proverbs 8:22-30: Logos and the Word were there together
- John 1:1 In the beginning (eternity)
- Fellowship has origins in the beginning
 - John 1:2 He was with God in the beginning
- Divine nature
 - John 1:3
- Father and Son
 - John 5:23
 - John 14:9
 - (You can't give God the praise and do Christ)
 - John 14:28
 - John 6:38
 - John 10:29-30: 'I and the Father are one'
- Colossians 1:16 all things were created by him and for him
- John 1:4: in him was life
 - Until you receive the word, you're walking in darkness
 - 1st thing God spoke was light
 - Genesis 1:3

- Two things are required when presenting Christ to someone else 95

① A big enough conception of him in our own eyes

- (not just the man upstairs)

- (God is not a man)

② A medium by which we can convey our conception of him so that it "comes home"

o New Commandment Church Service

* 11-19-6

* Greater: Next Sunday

- Black Suit

- Ms. B: VP of Greater

* 2 Peter 1:2-11

* 1 Peter 4:12-13

- Living beyond trials

• if we are to grow stronger in him, we must have adversities to resist

• the trial is to test your quality

• press toward the mark (don't take 1 step forward and 2 steps back)

• God is more interested in

changing me (than changing circumstances)

• (watch out for) jealousy

• God will refine you until he sees ~~you~~ his image in you

• God does not want you live in mediocrity

→ I'll make you fishes of men; more than conquer





• if ^{NOT} ~~was~~ your intelligence, your looks
or who you know that got you there,
it was amazing grace

- * The 1st test is your faith
- * The 2nd test is your character
- * The 3rd test is your endurances

* Exodus 20:1-17. The 10 Commandments
(Remember the Sabbath)

o New Commandment Church - Thanksgiving

* 11-23-06

* Genesis 2:1-3

* 1 Thess 5:9-23

* Rev. Dwight Jeter (bro-in-law)

* Gen 12:1-3

- commonly blessed

- can't get you to point B
if you don't leave point A

- love people no matter what
they think about me

- don't let know me separate
you from the love of God

* Sunday - Mail from Pastor
- Breakfast

o New Commandment Baptist Church

* Sunday Service (11-26-06)

* Hebrews 6:1-2, 3-10

go on to maturity (perfection)

(George Berkeley)
* Isaiah 53:2-5: by his wounds we are healed

- Isaiah is called the mini Bible
- * 1-39: Transgressions (like old Test.)
- * 40-66: Hope (like new Test.)
- Didn't you know...
- Isaiah 42:9: new things I declare
- 8:00 AM Service Beginning in Jan.
(Fire-in-the-hole services)

* Dec. 9, 2006 8:30 AM

- we will distribute tickets.
- make plans for 2007
- breakfast served
- Men's Ministry

o New Commandment Bible Study (11-29-6)

* Psalm 90

* John 1:6-9

- John inserted into presentation of the word and "the beginning"
- Purpose of John: witness
- distinction between John and Jesus
 - John preaches coming of Jesus
 - Jesus preaches the Kingdom is here

* John 5:36

* John 4:1 (competition)

* To be great, you have to be faithful to your testimony

* John 10:41 John did no miracles

- Jews called John the greatest man born of a woman



* John 8:18

* You are saved for a testimony of Jesus

* John 14:1-11 or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselveso New Covenant Sunday Service* Psalms 146* 1 Peter 4:1-8: law covers a multitude ^{of sins}

* Preacher: Robert Haynes

- Matthew 15:21-28

- Faith to receive his favor

• Matthew 15:19-20

• Persistence: don't stop making petitions to Jesus

• Learn to worship God (dispite your situation)

• You have to go thru some stretch (stress) test before (so) God can make you whole

o New Covenant Sunday Service* Proverbs 22:1-29 good name* May Hall - Washington Hospital
- 219* Phillipians 2:1-8* Keep Your Mind Stayed on Jesus

- The more you cover it up, the more apparent it becomes

- 99
- Stop denying who you are
 - Humble ourselves to one another
 - "I'm going to home to give an account for what you did with your mind"

* Matthew 2: three wise men; Gold
Frankincense, Myrror

- What will you give (this Christmas)?
- Give love, honor, respect to parents

o New Commandment Baptist Church
-(12-17-6)

- Rev. 4:11

- Matt 2:11

- Matt 15:23

(make wine bitter)

* Myrror used for both good and bad

- Church begins at 10:30 AM next week

- Isaiah 58:6-11

- Don't live selfishly

- Get your mind off yourself

- Figure out what you can do for someone else (Give)

• Someday pray for you before you had sense to pray for yourself

• Get the focus off of self; when you reach out to help somebody else (God will apply for you)

• There is direct correlation (between) what you sow and what you reap

- Fast, Give

• Hungry, Poor, naked

• Serve the

- Giving / Love kitchen at 11:45



* New Commandment Baptist Church



Prayer Breakfast (12-24-6)

- John 10:1-7: I am the gate

- Follow Jesus

- Broken people break people
but whole people heal people

New Commandment Baptist Church

* Sunday Church Service (12-24-6)

- Matthew 1:18-25

- Christmas begins with Christ

- Luke 2

- Real Night before Christmas

→ A night period is when
you need to make some changes→ 400 years before old is new testament
(a night period in hearing
from God)→ interval between your worldliness
and holiness

- Christmas wishes as idols

(1) Faith (can take Godly risk)

(2) Hope (prayer has answered)

(3) Love

at
10:30
am
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+ 1

* NCBC Christmas Service (12-25-6)

Matthew 2:1-12

- the 1st Church Service (worship)

(Acts: usually looked at 1st church service)

→ wise men brought offerings

→ Family worship 1

→ jealousy (King Herod was troubled)

→ instruction (divine knowledge)

→ vision (learned in a dream)

→ difficult direction (guidance)

o NCBC Sunday Service 101

* Galatians 5:1-13

* Exodus 1, 13; 8:20

* 2nd Corinthians 9:6-11 (sow-reap)

* "Get the Point"

- God's law (precedes) all other laws

- Life won't work right w/o laws
(tickets, taxes, judges reminds us there are laws)

1/2

- our deliv'ence is for service

- we need to learn how to passionately pursue God

- God will reward with (spiritual and material blessing)

- Action and Reaction:

"you will give someone and you will receive your blessing from someone else."

o NCBC Sunday Service (1-7-7)

* Jeremiah 9:23-24

* 1st Step in a new year

* Fasting prepares you for a change

- Change is an admission of failure.

- Fasting is a sign of maturity

* Learn to desire growth

- it's hard to live in this world and stay the same

- the world is changing and you need to keep up w/it

* Wine, pour, withdraw
(when you don't get your way
(resisting change))





- just because it feels good does not mean its right

- 2 Cor 5:17: old things have passed away, all things are become new

→ What are you doing new?

- old man vs. new man

→ get rid of your old man

- To change, you must

① understand God.

→ Isaiah 6:9...hearings, but never understanding; ... seeing, but never perceiving

② know God.

to know God is to make God happy (so he can make you happy)

* Exodus 20:7 } you should
* Psalm 23 } want good
* Isaiah 42:8 } things associated
with your name

o NCBC Bible Study
(Sunday School) 1-14-6

- Isaiah 3:10-11

- Injustice in the world
but God is just

- Habakkuk 3:19

- John 5:30


- John 6:36-37, 38-39

- Jesus' will was to do will of God ¹⁰³
- Deuteronomy 24:10-22
- God is just and merciful
- the proper response to slander is prayer
 - Psalm 7:1
 - Psalm 7:14-16: The trouble he causes recoils on himself
- If we depend on him, justice will prevail

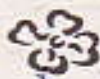
o NBC Sunday Service (1-14-7)

- * Zechariah 7:8-14
- * Psalm 150
- * Ecclesiastes 5:8
- * The Cry of Justice
 - Justice is traced to the Constitution, (put together) at the Const. Convention in 1787
 - Don't forget the origin of where you come from (mother, father, or God)
 - If you got wisdom to know God woke you up, then you ~~are~~ know the God (we are talkin about)

o NBC Sunday Service (1-21-7)

- * ^(Matthew 7:1-12) Psalm 103:1-9
- * 1 Peter 4:1-10
- * The fountains of a political gem ready to serve.
- * Biblical stewardship  involves more than our offerings.

* Use your gifts



* are you ready to serve

* 3 Principles of good stewards

- ① (what) we are
- ② standard of God's steward
- ③ Power of effective stewardship

o NCBG Bible Study (1-24-7)

* Rev. 22:1-5

* The Fall of man

- Gen. 1:27 created

- If God is good, everything is good

God had good

- why would you have created something in order to destroy it.

- As long as we have flesh

we have the potential sin

- Our will caused us to transgress

- Grace is activated by belief

- Shall be saved: Romans 10:9

o NCBG Sunday School (1-28-7)

* 1 Peter 5:7 Cast your cares

(anxiety) on him

* 2 Corinthians 4:8-10 hard

pressed on every side, but

not crushed (sawn but not cut)

* Phillipians 4:6-7 Do not

be anxious about anything,

but in everything, by prayer

(pray, don't worry)


- * Proverbs 20:24: A man's steps are directed by the Lord
- * Psalms 37:23 If the Lord delights in a man's way, he makes his steps firm
- * Matthew 6:25-27 our ever heavenly Father feeds them
- * Matthew 6:28-30 ...you of little faith
- * Matthew 6:31-32, 33-34

o NCBC Sunday Service (1-28-7)

- * 1 Peter 5:8-17
- * Matthew 5:45
- * God has a way of balancing the scales
- * Isaiah 6:10-11
- * Blessings of a spiritual life - Strategies for life.
 - ① Make plans, rather than be a puppet of the enemy

* Prov. 10:22: The blessings of the Lord brings wealth

o NCBC Bible Study (1/31/7)

- * John 2:12-17 (denying the temple)
- * Matthew 13:55 his brothers James, Joseph, Simon, Judas
- * Psalms 69:9  righteous indignation (anger)

* Jesus angry: money changers
 checked poor and merchants moved
 from outer court to inner court (?)

* John 2:18-19: prove your
 authority... I will raise it
 again in three days (resurrection)
 → vs. 21: But the temple he
 had spoken of was his body

* John 2:11, 23 put their faith
 in him... believed in his name
 (after performing miracles)

* John 2:25: He did not need
 man's testimony

o NCB Sunday Service (2-4-7)

* 2 Thess. 2:13-17

hold to (your) teachings

* Luke 24:13-21, 36-40

* Living Witnesses

- Can ^{you} conceive the history
 of blacks in the will
 of God?

- The older of the story
 the more the chance it
 will not be reported correctly
 or will not be reported at all.

- The history outweighs
 the facts of history

• 4 Gospels: to confirm
 history is what matter
 is events: there was
 a resurrection
 → needs a witness

o NCBC Bible Study (2-7-7) 107
* John 3:1-15

- Jesus: I-on-1 witnessing

- Nicodemus (description):

Pharisee, Ruler of the Jews,
was not born again, intelligent

• John 19:39 Nicodemus

brought a mixture of
myrrh, about 75 pounds

→ (vs 20)... wrapped it, with
the spices (Jesus' body)

→ wealthy!

- Therefore, it was hard for

Nicodemus in to humble himself-

• As a Pharisee, he was part
of a select group (best of them)

• part of the church

(brotherhood), pledge to

spend all of your life to

serve every detail of the law

• Nicodemus was part of an
inner crowd (70 of them)

(condemned)
Jesus for
death

→ Sanhedrin council (like
supreme council)

→ Scribes (interpret law)

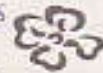
(Exodus 16:39)

- Nicodemus deals with the natural;

Jesus deals with the Spirit

(Spiritual law)

• NOTE: None of the 12 disciples
are Pharisees



• Jesus had to break your chains so
he can use your (mind/spirit)

o NCBC Sunday Service



* Prov. 10:5; 13:4, 18, 20
27:1-2

* John 6:66-69

* There is something about Jesus

* Tough Love

- (vs. 60) This is a hard teaching
- The best soldiers are those who fight when things are not ideal
- We got to learn how to handle tough love
- Determination occurs when you separate yourself from (your) blessing (Jesus) (or your parents, etc.)
- Determination (allows you to be cleaned up by Jesus)
- (vs. 68) to whom shall we go? (stick w/ Jesus)

o NCBC Bible Study (2-21-7)

* Prov. 22:1-10

* Galatians 6:10

- God gives us needs and desires (according to his will) and time (to mature)
- time is filled w/ experiences (2nd chances)
- an opportunity is a chance
- do good for somebody
- you ought not keep a score card of small acts

150
500
600
700
800

- Sow sparingly, reap sparingly ¹⁰⁹
→ it becomes a lifestyle
• your character is on trial
(don't charge for church)
→ (vs. 9) Don't become weary in
doing good

o NBC Morning Service (2-25-7)

* 2 Corinthians 4:18

* Psalm 27:27-28 your old men
will dream dreams; your
young men will see visions
(time is eating you up)

* James 4:4: Anyone who chooses
to be a friend of the
world becomes an enemy
of God

o NBC Sunday School (2-25-7)

* Joshua 1:9

* Matt 6:25-34 (me)

* Isaiah 40:25-31 soar on
wings like eagles

* Psalms 23

* 2 Corinthians 4:1-

* Hebrews 11:1-6

* Romans 12:1-18

* Luke 3:5-16

* Psalms 91:1-16

* Psalms 24:1-10

* Psalms 58:3 from birth



* Romans 10:9* Isaiah 26:3 perfect peace* Prov. 3:1-10* Romans 8:14 Sons of Godo NBC Sunday Service (2:25-7)* 2 Tim. 2:22-26* A Sure Path to Recovery* Recovery → regain

(loss something; desire to have it back)

- poured love into a bag w/ holes in it

* Flee from youthful lust

- concentrate on being a man of God

* Recovery occurs whenyou recognize...

(where you are; who you are)

* If you're addicted,recognize it

*

- opposing them (saying one thing and doing another)

- recovery is a spiritual battle

→ need repentance, then

gift to abide

* Release - put it all in his hands