

01 August 2021

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SERVICE TIMES

Bible Study & Sunday School

Bible Study 9.00- 9:45 AM.

Sunday School 9.00-9:45 AM

Young Adults/Youth

Suspended for time being

Sunday Worship

10.00 - 11.15 AM.

PM Suspended for time being

Living a new life in Christ

From the desk of Dereck...

Unchecked Emotions -The Enemy of Rational Action

We live in a world that is in trouble. Do we think clearly when decisions are being made?

How in the world could an innocent man like Jesus end up being convicted, tortured, and nailed to a tree? One thing is for certain—rational thinking was not present or practiced among His enemies in those dark hours.

In the early morning hours of that Friday, the leaders of this inquisition ***“led Jesus from Caiaphas to the Praetorium...But they themselves did not go into the Praetorium, lest they should be defiled, but that they might eat the Passover”*** (John 18:28). Slow down and get the picture here.

Jesus had been arrested upon a deceptive identification from Judas and hauled off (bound like a vicious criminal) to stand trial before the high priest (Mark 14:53). Jesus spent that night before Annas, Caiaphas and then the Sanhedrin, in a series of unlawful middle-of-the-night trials. (The Jews were breaking their own laws.) In those trials, ***“the chief priests and the entire Council kept trying to obtain false testimony against Jesus, so that they might put Him to death”*** (Matt. 26:59). Did you catch that? They were not seeking “true testimony” but “false testimony.” What kind of corrupted persons do that? ***“Many bore false witness against Him, but their testimonies did not agree”*** (Mark 14:56). It’s hard to get lies to all sound alike! How is it possible that the lie can be so close to the truth that eventually they can sound the same?

Finally, when Jesus affirmed that He is ***“the Christ, the Son of the Blessed...they all condemned Him to be deserving of death”*** (Mark 14:61-64). After spitting on Him, blindfolding Him, beating Him, and mocking Him that night (Mark 14:65), the revered religious leaders ***“plotted against Jesus to put Him to death...bound Him, they led Him away and delivered Him to Pontius Pilate”*** (Matt. 27:1-2). For the last several hours, they were not concerned in the least about truth, about law or about decency. But, then their traditions (not God’s law) kicked in. They would not enter the Praetorium, ***“lest they should be defiled”*** and not be able to ***“eat the Passover”*** (John 18:28). All night, they had been riding their emotions and would not ease up one bit on condemning and killing an innocent man. But then, oh wait! We are more than ready to kill Him, but we can’t violate our traditions and go inside. The terrible dilemma to legally rationalise one’s inward decision to “take out” Jesus regardless of His innocence?

Emotions are powerful! They can lead us to do great things that we normally wouldn’t do. They can also lead us to say, do and believe things that are not rational or Biblical. Sometimes a parent doesn’t want to affirm that their own child’s behaviour is sinful (because of their emotional attachment), so they take an irrational or unbiblical position. Sometimes we get weary of society force-feeding immorality to us and so we give in (emotionally easier) rather than take a stand. May God help us to not get so caught up in our emotions (like Jesus’ enemies) that we lose sight of the purity of His truth!

I pray that as you make daily decisions ask the hard question, “Is this the Truth or am I crucifying the Truth?”

Have a Christ centred life.

Dereck

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Maintenance: Robert Trevor-Jones 074 653 1463

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Tuesdays at 10am

Contact: Sue 063 779 9914 or Ali 084 5584 508

MID WEEK BIBLE STUDY CLASS

Wednesday 7.00 - 8.00 pm

SMALL GROUPS

Thursday evening group, Bible Study

Thursday 7.00—8.00pm

Contact: Johan Gerber 083 233 4726

YOUTH FRIDAYS 18H30—20H00 (alternates)

Kids for Christ Grade 2 to Grade 7

Contact: Tish 084 398 8556 or Gaynor 072 111 5220

YOUTH Grade 8 to Grade 12

Contact: Johan & Gaynor Pienaar 083 456 0791

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9am—9:45am

DATE	01 August	08 August
Age 2 to 4	Online	Online
Age 5 to 7	Online	Online
Grade 2 - 4	Online	Online
Grade 5 - 7	Online	Online



PRAYER REQUESTS

Those who are ill/surgeries: Ian, Tracey & Jarrod Kitching, Carmen Visagie, Anzonia Joseph, Dennis Stubbs, Joni Green, Lydia Sinclair, Kyle Grunewald, Kaden Jacobs,

The bereaved: Our prayers are with all those who have lost loved ones. May the God of comfort be with you.

The elderly & those in need of prayer: SA Bible College and especially — our country & leaders & world leaders, the front-line workers, doctors & nurses, those working to make our world safe again.

2 Cor 2:14 But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and manifests through us the sweet aroma of the knowledge of Him in every place...

2:17 (NIV) ... we do not peddle the word of God for profit. On the contrary, in Christ we speak before God with sincerity, like men sent from God.

2 CORINTHIANS

BELLVILLE FOOD BLESSING

If you would like to contribute to the frozen food ministry for those battling with Covid please use the reference "Frozen Foods"



Stay Safe, Stay positive
Stay connected
You are loved

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Danelle Mchlachlan	01 Aug
Kenny Jacobs Jnr	02 Aug
Rick Webb	02 Aug
Nicola Dearham	03 Aug
Lance Adams	04 Aug
Nathan Bowers	04 Aug
Sylvia Abrahams	06 Aug
Chris Hayes	07 Aug
Keenan Idas	07 Aug

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



Stephen & Celia Leibbrandt—04 Aug
Stanton & Patricia Mitchell—04 Aug

TUESDAY LADIES' CLASS



Sharing: Annelene, Cecile & Brigitte
Announcements & prayer: Ali

THURSDAY GROUP



Teaching: Johan
The bible study is on zoom this Thursday
Please contact Johan Gerber for the details. (083 233 4726)



Jar of Hope
Our project aiming to reach outside the church
Contents required:
Coffee jar
1 cup rice
1 cup soup mix
1 cup lentils
1 unwrapped stock cube
1 pkt soup powder
Contact
Lee 072 341 3511 or
Alison 084 5584 508



THIS WEEK 01 August 2021

NEXT WEEK 08 August 2021

THIS WEEK 01 August 2021		DUTY ROSTER	NEXT WEEK 08 August 2021	
AM	PM		AM	PM
Dereck Beukes		ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dereck Beukes	
		SONG LEADER		
Geoff Jäck		LORD'S SUPPER	Ian Sinclair	
Glen DW Holmes		SCRIPTURE & PRAYER	Males Tomlinson	
		AM SERVERS		
Dereck Beukes		PREACHING	Dereck Beukes	
Joe Tshililo		CLOSING PRAYER	Ian Kitching	
		COMMUNION		
		FLOWERS		
Harrison		Sound	Charles	

FINANCES

Year-to-date budget
(June 2021) - R624,000
Year 2021 actual
(June 2021) - R624,316
Year-to-date surplus
(June 2021) - R 316
God bless you as you excel in your giving - 2 Cor. 8 : 7



BANKING DETAILS

NEDBANK
ACC Name: Bellville Church of Christ
Cheque Acc. Nr: 1036015041
Branch Code: 103610