



LADIES' BIBLE STUDY – 10 AM

All the ladies are invited to join in the Ladies' Bible study classes... and bring a friend! Ladies, please read 1 Peter before Wednesday!

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SUNDAY TIMES:
BIBLE STUDIES: 09H00
WORSHIP: 10H00 TO 11H00
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SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY - 9 am.

We are at present studying the four Gospels. Johan is facilitating the class. Please join us during this time of learning God's Word.

Song Leader: Mike Baisley **Scripture Reading:** Mike Baisley
Opening Prayer: Rudi Le Roux **Lord's Table:** Ordene Engelbrecht
Closing Prayer: Ray Calder **Attendance last Sunday:** 36
Servers: Ordene, Rudi, Mike & Ray

Preacher: Johan Smulders
Sermon Topic: "The Potter and the Clay"
Scripture reading: Jeremiah 18: 1 - 10
Text: Psalm 32: 12

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the members in our congregation who are in need of God's grace, healing and strength through difficult times. Please pray for Taida Marembo (Geraldine's mother), Petro and Kate, as they are going through a very difficult time.

Braam & Petro are travelling back from Pretoria tomorrow. Please pray for a safe return.

BIRTHDAYS

Lorna Howse – 02 February
 Happy birthday, Lorna! May God bless you with another year filled with happiness, love and good health!

WELCOME

We welcome all visitors this morning. We believe that you will be blessed as we worship God. Please feel free to ask any questions regarding our worship or about God's Word.

VERSES FOR THE WEEK

Titus 3: 4 – 5, "But when the kindness and love of God, our Savior, appeared, He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior."

Galatians 2: 20, "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

"Jesus – Others – Yourself"

Someone once made an acrostic lesson, showing that this is the make-up of true joy. The point was that it works in this way, it works right and that it can work in no other way. Many Christians can echo what an old song said, "I have found it so!"

Surely Jesus knew what joy was and we do indeed find Jesus working for others constantly. It was the Father's thoughts of others - for us - that brought about the love and mercy now shown to man (Titus 3: 4). Christ is seen as the one who loved us and gave himself up for us (Gal. 2: 20).

Here was Christ's thoughts for others. When we obey the gospel of Christ and apply ourselves fully to His teaching, we will find that Jesus is indeed first. We will also find that others will come before self, thus, that joy!

All preaching and teaching, with the great preparation that precedes it, is for the benefit of others. Those who engage in visitation and personal evangelism work do so with thoughts of others. When we visit the sick and shut-ins, it is in fulfillment of thoughts we've had for others.

When death touches the congregation, the visits, prayers, food preparation and other services are done because the saints have thoughts of others. And there is the help to the needy, the showers to bestow good-will and gifts upon those with occasions of joy upon them, the goods provided those in children's homes... thoughts, yes, of others!

And the song puts it like this:

"Others, Lord, yes, others.
 Let this my motto be.
 Help me to live for others,
 That I may live like Thee!

Some, sad to say, find no satisfaction in their daily walk, and have no really good feeling of Christian accomplishment, because they live selfishly. Others seldom enter their minds; all revolves around "I, Me, My." We had said earlier that Christianity won't work in that fashion. When one gets tired of the self-centered mode, he can begin to correct it that day – do something for others!

Let us go into the House of the Lord

(Psalm 122: 1)

“I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go into the house of the Lord.”

EXCEPT WHEN...

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| • The weather is perfect. | We are on vacation. |
| • The kids have a ballgame. | It's raining. |
| • The fish are biting. | We are sleeping in. |
| • We are camping. | It's my birthday. |
| • My husband won't go. | My wife won't go. |
| • We stayed out late the night before. | The kids are fussy. |
| • My favorite team plays at 10:00. | The city water is off. |
| • The lesson is on social drinking. | The lesson is on giving. |
| • The lesson is on church attendance. | The lesson is on divorce. |
| • We have a family reunion. | We go to the racetrack. |
| • It's too hot. | It's too cold. |
| • Hunting conditions are perfect. | We go to the lake. |
| • We go on a pleasure cruise. | I choose to work overtime. |
| • My favorite performer is in concert. | It's a 3-day weekend. |

“But they all alike began to make excuses.
“I tell you, not one of those who were invited
will get a taste of my banquet.”
(Luke 14: 18 - 24)

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