

September 26, 2010

INTOUCH

This morning, in his sermon series entitled CHRIST OUR LIFE, Pastor Tim took us into God's Word to consider the "New Freedom" that is ours in Christ. Two other pastors, separated by over 150 years and one quarter of the distance around the world, looked into God's Word and wrote on the same subject from two of the same Scripture passages.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 26

Voter Registration outside the Sanctuary

12:15 PM	<i>Biblical Concert</i>	Sanctuary
	<i>Mezzo-soprano Michelle Luedtke and Flutist Renee Zuck</i>	
4:00 PM	New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	Carol Choir, Bell Canto Bells & CBC Ringers	206, 207, 208
6:00 PM	Sanctuary Bells	208
6:00 PM	Discovery II – Session 3	209
6:00 PM	EXCEL High School	Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER	Library (205)

MONDAY – SEPTEMBER 27

7:00 AM	Teleios: Women's Prayer & Bible Study	Family Room
9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Kick Boxing"	Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM	Community Bible Study	Fellowship Hall and Classrooms
7:00 PM	Teleios: Good and Faithful Servant (Part I)	The Bell's

TUESDAY – SEPTEMBER 28

9:00 AM	Teleios Study: Covenant: God's Enduring Promises	207
6:30 PM	Elder Board Meeting	Family Room
6:45 PM	Teleios: GriefShare – Your Family and Grief	Library (205)

WEDNESDAY – SEPTEMBER 29

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "That's A Stretch"	Fellowship Hall
5:30 PM	Elder Prayer	Sr. Pastor's Office
6:45 PM	LOGOS Kids Club	201, 203, 206-209
6:45 PM	EXCEL Junior High	Fellowship Hall
6:45 PM	Teleios: The Case for Kids	Family Room
6:45 PM	Teleios: What Makes a Man or Women Godly?	Library (205)
6:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal	Choir Room
7:00 PM	EXCEL High School Small Groups	meeting at homes

THURSDAY – SEPTEMBER 30

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Cirque Du Soleil"	Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM	College & 20-Somethings Dinner/Study	Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM	Ecclesiastes Bible Study (alternate weeks)	Josh Brook's

FRIDAY – OCTOBER 1

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Dance It Off"	Fellowship Hall
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SATURDAY – OCTOBER 2

10:30 AM	S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! Coffee/Light Brunch with guest Don Swierenga	205
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SUNDAY – OCTOBER 3

Voter Registration outside the Sanctuary

9:00 and 10:40 AM	Prayer for Worship Services	Prayer Room
9:00 and 10:40 AM	MORNING WORSHIP Dr. Tim Savage	Sanctuary

CHRIST OUR LIFE: New Mind

Philippians 2:1-10; 1 Corinthians 2:16

9:00 AM	Nursery (birth – 23 months)	301-304
9:00 AM	Children's Discipleship (24 mo–gr 6)	101-103, 201, 203, 206
9:00 AM	Adult Fellowship Classes	208, 209
9:00 AM	Teleios Study (Youth): Fundamentals of the Faith	207
9:00 AM	Discovery I (Newcomers to CBC invited!)	Family Room
10:40 AM	Nursery (birth – 23 months)	301-304
10:40 AM	Children's Church (24 mo. – gr. 6)	101-103, 201, 203, 206
10:40 AM	Teleios Study: Bringing Christ to the City	208
10:40 AM	Teleios Study (Youth): TrueU-Apologetics for Youth	207
12:30 PM	Osborn H & R Ministry meets @ Subway, 44 th St. & Indian School	
2:00 PM	Osborn H & R Ministry serves at Osborn Health and Rehab	
4:00 PM	New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	Carol Choir, Bell Canto Bells & CBC Ringers	206, 207, 208
6:00 PM	Sanctuary Bells	208
6:00 PM	Discovery II – Session 4	209
6:00 PM	EXCEL High School	Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER	Library (205)

"The liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free"

Galatians 5:1

This "liberty" makes us free to heaven's charter — *the Bible*. Here is a choice passage believer, "When thou passest through the rivers I will be with thee." You are free to the Here is another: "The mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed, but my kindness shall not depart from thee." You are free to that. You are a welcome guest at the table the promises. Scripture is a never-failing treasury filled with boundless stores of grace. is the bank of heaven; you may draw from it as much as you please, without let or hindrance. Come in faith and you are welcome to all *covenant blessings*. There is not a promise in the Word that will be withheld. In the depths of tribulations let this freedom comfort you; amid waves of distress let it cheer you; when sorrows surround you let it be your solace. This is your Father's love token; you are free to it at all times. You are also free to the throne of grace. It is the believer's privilege to have access at all times to His heavenly Father. Whatever our desires, our difficulties, our wants, we are at liberty to spread all before Him. It matters not how much we may have sinned, we may ask and expect pardon. It signifies nothing how poor we are, we may plead His promise that He will provide all things needful. We have permission to approach His throne at all times in midnight's darkest hour, or in noontide's most burning heat. Exercise your right, O believer, and live up to your privilege. You are free to all that is treasured up in Christ — wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption. It matters not what your need is for there is fullness of supply in Christ, and it is there for you. O what a "freedom" is yours: freedom from condemnation, freedom to the promises, freedom to the throne of grace, and at last freedom to enter heaven!

Charles Haddon Spurgeon, *Morning & Evening*, September 19 Morning

"Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." 2 Corinthians 3:17

The American revolutionary Patrick Henry is famous for saying, "Give me liberty or give me death." Like others in his day, Henry was so passionate about political freedom from the English monarchy that he was willing to take up arms and die for the cause of liberty. Over seventeen hundred years earlier, the Apostle Paul, in 2 Corinthians chapter 3, also spoke passionately about liberty and death. But unlike Patrick Henry, the freedom Paul proclaimed was not freedom from an oppressive throne; it was release from an oppressive blindness. In an attempt to challenge the charges of his critics, Paul wanted the believers in Corinth to understand God's gracious work in this "new covenant" (3:6). Whether Paul's critics were Jews who sought to promote the Law of Moses or supposed Christians who were seeking to discredit Paul by trumpeting his 'failure' to win more Jews to Christ, Paul's response is clear enough: the Jewish people are spiritually blind. They remain in a "ministry of death" (3:7), not because Jesus, Paul, and others, had failed to speak the truth, but because "a veil lies over their heart" (3:15). But this blindness is not unique to the Jews. As Paul goes on to emphasize in the next chapter, his message was "veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ" (4:3, 4). All of us, regardless of ethnic identity, are blinded and bound by the darkness of our own sin. But freedom is possible. As Paul declares, "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty" from the darkness of death. While political freedom is an incredible blessing and a privilege to be honored through action, spiritual freedom is a greater commodity. The citizen of a particular country may be politically free, but without the Spirit's work, he or she remains in spiritual bondage. On the other hand, the citizen of a nation suffering under a brutal dictator may be politically bound, but through Christ, can enjoy real freedom, even in the midst of his or her suffering. Without the liberty of the Spirit, no liberty can truly be enjoyed. With the liberty of the Spirit, even under the worst oppression, the freedom of Christ cannot be quenched. If men and women like Patrick Henry are willing to die for political freedom, how much more should we, as followers of Christ, be willing to pour out our lives for the liberty of the Spirit. Everyday, the enslaved litter our path, yearning to hear the words of Jesus, "If the Son shall make you free, you shall be free indeed" (John 8:36). *As we savor our freedom, Father, may we be inspired to speak of the Savior to those still bound.*

Pastor Bryce Morgan, *Learning to Reflect*, September 14th

Teleios Fall 2010 Classes

CBC's focus on building up the Body of Christ is advanced by the quarterly Teleios sessions offered on our campus and in our homes. Great classes offer multiple avenues for growth in your walk with the Lord and with each other. You may register for any of the classes by calling the office this week.

The following class began this week, but it's not too late – JUST COME!

"What Makes a Godly Man or Woman Godly?"

Led by Elder Bill Weldon
Wednesdays, 6:45-8:15pm
September 22 – December 8, 2010, the Library (Room 205)

NEW CLASSES STARTING IN OCTOBER – REGISTER NOW!

"Loving God with All Your Mind" – Part I" (for women only)

Led by Sharon Moore
2nd Sunday of each month, 9:15-10:30 AM
Beginning October 10, 1010, Family Room (off Sanctuary narthex)

"Men's Leadership Study: Leading and Loving Video Series"

Led by Pastor Ron Elwardt
Fridays, 6:00-7:30 AM
October 22 – November 26, 2010, Family Room (off Sanctuary narthex)

"Six Steps to Talking About Jesus"

Led by Elder Bill Eaton
Sundays, 10:40 AM – 12:00 PM
October 24 – November 28, 2010, Library (Room 205)

"Discovery III: Finding Your Place of Ministry in the Church"

Led by Gary Balok and Pastor Ron Elwardt
Sundays, 6:00-7:30 PM
October 24 – November 14, 2010, Room 209

"The Case for Kids"

Led by Pastor Ron Elwardt
Sunday mornings, Hour TBD by group
October 24 – December 12, 2010, Library (Room 205)

A flier containing more details is available at the Welcome Center, in the office, and online at www.cbcaz.org/adult/teleios.

TONIGHT: YOU ARE INVITED TO HEAR THE INCREDIBLE TESTIMONY of Pastor Getaneh Getaneh, missionary from Ethiopia with Voice of the Martyrs, who comes to share with us his personal story of God's love and triumph. Getaneh, a gentle man whose radiant face belies the horrors he experienced during the red terror of the Mengistu regime in Ethiopia, was arrested by the Communist authorities for preaching and was subsequently tortured, denied food, water, and sleep for days during his imprisonment. He eventually escaped prison and fled the country. Please come and join our youth as they greet and hear from this remarkable man this evening from 6:45 to 7:45 PM in Fellowship Hall.

S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE COFFEE is this Saturday, October 2nd, beginning at 10:30 AM in the Library (Room 205). Don Swierenga will join us and bring an update on the Camelback Bible Church Building Program, as well as discuss the inspiring plans for the upcoming Phoenix City Fest. Brunch will be served.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY IS JOINING HUNDREDS OF OTHER CHURCHES from around the Valley of the Sun to participate in a Season of Service beginning in October. An overview provided in a recent worship service was our introduction to a unique way to "Bring Christ to the City" in the season ahead. To learn more, check out the website at www.ArizonaCityFest.com. You can also email don.swierenga@cox.net to be provided updates on how our church is engaging with those in our community. A meeting regarding future participation of Camelback in this exciting city-wide effort is being held on Monday, September 27 at 9:30 AM in the Family Room here on campus. Please be in prayer about how God can use us to join with thousands of others to make a difference for Christ in our community.

EXCEL (Jr. High & High School) SERVING AT NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRIES, tomorrow, Monday, September 27, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Everyone come and join in this great opportunity to serve others. Meet in Fellowship Hall.

PRAYING FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

Monthly Prayers for our Children

OCTOBER: Lord, open the eyes of this child, that he/she might know hope in our age of despair, might know true riches in an impoverished day, and might know the power of the resurrection freeing him/her from the bondage of sin and death. **Ephesians 1:18-19 (NIV)** *I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and his incomparably great power for us who believe.*

"GROWING PAINS" — Children's Ministries has got them and you can help! Invest yourself in the next generation by serving as a teacher or helper during the 9:00 or 10:40 AM Sunday classes. Volunteers are needed for all age levels, nursery through 6th grade. Or you could serve as a classroom aid for students with disabilities. If you're interested in volunteering please contact Pastor Jason Doughty, by phone (602-955-6370) or email (doughty@cbcaz.org).

ADULT, CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CHOIRS have begun. These are wonderful opportunities for all to grow in knowledge and appreciation of music, in song and in the playing of bells, while storing the Word of God and the beauty of our Lord in their hearts. Add to this the blessing of making music together, creating something greater than the sum of the individual parts; what a privilege! Contact Pastor Tom Bookhout for more information or go to the CBC website, music ministries.

MEN'S RETREAT 2010 LAST CHANCE!

October 8-10, Chapel Rock Camp & Conference Center, Prescott, AZ

It's just around the corner – and you don't want to miss it!

Register online, or at the Welcome Center this Sunday. Registration forms are also available at the church office. For more information go to our website or call the church office during regular office hours. **Important Note:** *In order to get all retreat materials produced and ready on time, we cannot accept registrations after October 1st. Thank you!*

DISCOVERY I, OUR ONCE A MONTH INTRODUCTION to God's strategic role of the local church, will be held again next Sunday (the first Sunday of the month), October 3rd, at 9:00 AM in the Family Room (off the narthex entrance to the Sanctuary). Newcomers, those interested in pursuing membership, and anyone who has not yet attended is invited and encouraged to come. There is much to be learned and fellowship to enjoy.

ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS: Once again, our church family has an opportunity to show the families of inmates how wonderful our God is! Even though Christmas seems a way off, our preparations are already underway. We have many families very close to our church who each year receive Christmas gifts, through the help of our congregation, from loved ones who are in prison. It's an awesome way to demonstrate Christ's love for his people. Interested in joining us for the prep work? Contact Nancy Baldwin, 602-956-9642, or Winkie Schwartz, 602-290-3672.

PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING DOUG LANDRO, CBC MISSIONARY to the Ukraine, on Sunday, October 17, 2010. Doug will be sharing his ministry in the Diakonia Sunday Adult Fellowship Class from 9:00 to 10:15 AM in Room 209. Doug will be in Phoenix through October 20th, returning to Ukraine on the 21st. If you would like to schedule a time to meet with Doug, please contact him at 480-945-2509.

VOTER REGISTRATION for the coming November general election is available this Sunday and next outside the entrance to the sanctuary. As Christian citizens our votes matter. Be sure you are registered now to vote on November 2nd!

CBC GIVING UPDATE

Budgeted Need for 3 rd Quarter	\$370,400
Actual 3 rd Quarter Giving To Date	\$306,549
Remaining Need for 3 rd Quarter	\$ 63,851
Last Week's Giving	\$ 25,340