

19TH APRIL 2020
MATT 23:34-40
STEVE HALES

Welcome

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Livestreamed at 10am:

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Next Sunday -

David Starling, NT lecturer at Morling college, will be preaching & exploring 1 Corinthians 7 to help us become the alternative witnesses this world yearns to see.

Sometimes we let a good thing become bad.

Work, for example, is good. It's good to be productive, using our skills and effort to contribute to the wider good. It can provide an income and a sense of purpose. However, if it takes priority over other important things it can lead to broken relationships, broken health and maybe losing our way spiritually. Then it's bad.

I'm sure you can think of your own examples where we can let a good thing become bad.

Today as we look at Matthew 22:34-40, we see that this is what the Pharisees did with God's Law, back in the time of Jesus. The Law was good, given by God so his people would know how to live as his people, with righteousness, justice and mercy. Yet they had turned it into a means to earn merit, a source of pride, and in this interaction with Jesus, they'd turned it into a weapon. They'd made a good thing bad.

Jesus, in answering them, took them back to the fundamental things – love God and love your neighbour.

Let's take the time to reflect on where we might have turned good things bad, in our personal lives, and perhaps even as a church. Let's hear Jesus' call to come back to the most important things – to love God and love our neighbour.

Grace and peace,
Steve

Mission Spot — FEBC

A majority of FEBC broadcasts are being done from home so only a few people are in the office/studies. Our field teams are working in isolation with limited resources to bring good news and hope to millions through FEBC broadcasts and programs.

We've never seen numbers like this before. A large quantity of calls, emails, texts and letters are pouring in from people desperate to hear the truth that will give them hope for this life and for all eternity.

Our main focus, is not to contribute to the hysteria, but to be a source of hope, without denying the reality of the health and economic problems.

Excerpts from FEBC newsletter.



Church News

PRAYER TIPS:

Keep praying for God's purposes to be fulfilled-
His way not our way.

Never let prayer be your last line of defense.
MAKE IT YOUR FIRST PRIORITY.

CAN YOU HELP or DO YOU NEED SOME HELP...???

Hi all I'm compiling a list of those in our church community that might be feeling isolated or in need of a chat. We the care team will call or if groceries are needed will endeavour to pick up and deliver. If anyone would like to help us with this please contact the Church Office, Steve or myself, Dianne Copelin. We will put you in Contact with those in need. Thanks for your prayers for our community during this time... Cheers Dianne

Baptist World Aid COVID-19 Global Emergency Appeal...

For Lebanon, on the Syrian border which is crowded with more than 300,000 vulnerable refugees... living in closely confined quarters. Due to conflict and violence, this region of the world is already under great stress. And if coronavirus were to take hold... the situation could escalate quickly. BWA is seeking to provide 5 health clinics with extra medical equipment and staff, as well as protective equipment for frontline workers... so they can continue to protect vulnerable refugee families from coronavirus throughout this crisis. For more information or to support this appeal go to baptistworldaid.org.au



CBC Offerings:

Dear fellow CBC members/believers,
As the outbreak of this Covid-19 ravages on, everyone of us is affected and we understand that many families in our communities are experiencing severe hardship. We acknowledge that the government has done a good job in controlling this pandemic and we are thankful that Our Father in Heaven is still in control despite the uncertainty of many things. We encourage all church members/fellow believers to give according to their ability and not beyond their means.

Here are few options to give your offerings:
Manual Offering -Please contact any of the following church staff to find a time to drop off an envelope at church. Kim Poon - businessmanager@carlingford-baptist.org or 0426 581 932 Karon Linder - office@carlingford-baptist.org or 9872 3022

Direct Deposit: Account held with Baptist Financial Services-

Account Name: Carlingford Baptist Church,
BSB No: **704-922**, No: **100016526** or
Giveaway Link: Click on this link

bit.ly/CBCgiveaway or Scan this QR code-
that will bring you straight to Giveaway ➔



CONNECTING IN THE MIDST OF COVID-19

Please make the most of the opportunities to stay connected -

-**Online services at 10am....**

Follow the links from our website.

-**follow our Carlingford Baptist Church Facebook Page.** Daily LIVE updates Mon-Fri at 7am.

-Join us on **Zoom for a chat over morning tea after the service on Sunday**

-Keep meeting with your Connect Group over Zoom

-Use FaceTime/ WhatsApp or pick up the phone & call each other....IT IS SO

IMPORTANT TO STAY CONNECTED AT THIS TIME!

Don't forget after the Livestream to go back to our webpage to find the curated playlists for reflection and worship.

There is also resources for children and families to worship together.



UPDATE COVID-19—RESTRICTIONS

As restrictions continue to tighten in response to the spread of COVID-19, we now need to ensure we as a Church are complying with the following measures in, addition to previous guidelines around hygiene & social distancing:

- no public worship or gatherings of any size
- we are allowed to have those couple of people on the property required to make the online service live-stream possible if the number is minimal and we follow the social distancing requirement
- if need arises be aware that weddings are currently limited to 5 people, funerals to 10

Keep PRAYING -

Our MONTHLY PRAYER FOCUS is COVID-19...

This week's focus is for the **Medical Profession...**

People putting themselves out there....working in **hospitals, medical centres, dentists, pharmacies & chaplains.**

Our **Monthly Church Prayer Meeting is at 3-4pm this afternoon by ZOOM.**

If you would like to join our **Weekly Thursday Morning ZOOM Prayer Meeting from 7:30-8 am please email the office.**



Please note new email addresses for:

Clive Copelin- c-cope@live.com and

Di Copelin - diannecopelin834@gmail.com

Thanks to those who are faithfully looking after the Church Grounds.

The Roster is
16 Apr Craig Kayes & Bruce Grennard
30 Apr Mandarin Community

Church Family Prayer

Haur, Amanda, Ivana & Evan Gik,
George & Margaret Gourlay,
Bruce & Joanne Grennard

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