

Capitol Baptist CAPTIONS

Church Activities

MARCH 14, 2024

- **CBS THIRD QUARTER PAC - FRI., MARCH 22**
 - › 9:30 AM in the Auditorium
 - › Capitol Baptist School's Performance & Awards Ceremony
- **BIBLICAL MISSIONS MODULE - TUE.-FRI., MARCH 26-29**
 - › Seminary class with Dr. John O'Malley
 - › \$100 for audit, \$300 for credit
- **GUEST SPEAKER - WED., MARCH 27**
 - › Dr. John O'Malley preaching
 - › No King's Kids program
- **CBS SPRING BREAK - FRI.-MON., MARCH 29-APRIL 1**
 - › No school for Capitol Baptist School
- **RESURRECTION SUNDAY - SUN., MARCH 31**
 - › Each family present will receive a special gift!
- **MOMMIES & MINISTRY MEETING - FRI., APRIL 5**
 - › At 7:00 PM at the Moores' home
 - › For mothers of young children

Weekly Events

SUNDAYS

Sunday School at 9:45 AM
Morning Service at 11:00 AM
Evening Service at 6:00 PM

TUESDAYS

Seminary First Class at 6:15 PM
Seminary Second Class at 7:40 PM

WEDNESDAYS

Prayer Meeting at 7:00 PM
King's Kids (age 3 to 6th grade) at 7:00 PM

THURSDAYS

Seminary First Class at 6:15 PM
Seminary Second Class at 7:55 PM

SATURDAYS

Soul-Winning & Visitation at 10:00 AM

SO MIGHTILY GREW THE WORD OF GOD - PART 1

Acts 19:8-20 | Pastor T. H. Moore

In our text this week, Paul's ministry in the city of Ephesus is continuing. In the first seven verses of Acts 19, Paul had returned to the city of Ephesus and met twelve men that I believe had a deficient knowledge of Jesus Christ for salvation. He told these twelve men that they "... should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus." These men then got saved and scripturally baptized—but God was not finished with the people in Ephesus, and from Acts 19:8 to 19:20, we read of a great revival that took place in that city. This revival could be summed up by the phrase that we find in verse 20, which reads, "So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed." The word "prevailed" means, "to overcome; to gain the victory or superiority; to be in force; to gain or have predominant influence." This is what the Word of God did in Ephesus.

There have been many times in the history of our nation where the Word of God mightily grew and prevailed. One such time was in December of 1827 under the preaching of Charles Finney when he was invited to Wilmington, Delaware, to preach. Finney held great meetings where it was said that "God sent revival blessing." He went on to Philadelphia and upstate New York where he preached to thousands of people. Many souls were saved and there was a great moral change in the entire northeast section of America. It is said that over 500,000 people were saved under his preaching. I believe it would be accurate to say that "the Word of God grew mightily and prevailed."

As we look at our text over the next few weeks, we will look at three reasons why the Word of God grew mightily and prevailed in Ephesus. Let's look this week at the first reason:

I. Paul's Discernment (vs. 8-9)

We read in verses eight and nine, "And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God. But when divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples,

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disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus." We read here how the apostle Paul, as he so frequently did, entered into the synagogue at Ephesus, and for three months, he "spoke boldly" and "disputed" and "persuaded" the things concerning the kingdom of God. Let's look at each of these words. The word "disputed" means, "the action of pulling something into pieces and considering all the parts." In other words, Paul took all the parts of the Bible, comparing Scripture with Scripture, and showed them that Jesus Christ is the promised Messiah. He was thorough in his use of the Word of God. Then, the word "persuaded" means, "to convince by an argument and

evidence." Paul did this *boldly!*

Every Christian should be able to, or at least be working at being able to, take our Bibles and give a logical, biblical answer for what we believe.

While Paul was there in the synagogue for three months, he once again met with contention. The "divers" were unbelievers who attempted to draw people away from the truth, but when Paul felt that he couldn't get any further with some of the unbelievers, we read that he separated the disciples and departed from them. He brought them to a rented hall called "the school of one Tyrannus." Paul felt that the time had come for him to leave those unbelievers to themselves, to their own choices.

There is a lesson here for all of us. I am not one to suggest ever giving up on people, or stop praying for people—but there are times when we have said all that we can say, done all that we can do for the time, and given all the biblical advice that we can give—and all that we can do is leave people to their choices.

When Charles Finney was describing what a revival is in his book *Lectures on Revival*, he said this: "A revival always includes conviction of sin. Backslidden professors cannot wake up and begin right away in the service of God, without deep searching of the heart. The fountains of sin need to be broken up." Sometimes, some people do not want to listen, and have no interest in the things of God. We must not waste our time on those who are obviously not interested in the things of God, but instead, invest our time in those who truly do want to listen!

Join us in prayer for...

- EASTON BAPTIST CHURCH
- FIRST STATE BAPTIST CHURCH: *looking for a church property*
- FUTURE CHURCH PLANT
- LABORERS FOR THE HARVEST (MATT. 9:38)
- THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL: *especially Janet Schroer's relatives in the military*
- PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT: *financial need to be met; Elisha House remodeling*
- CHARLOTTE ARSENAULT: *rehab and homecare after two major strokes*
- LANCE BERRYHILL: *hernia surgery on March 19*
- BURTON BETTS: *upcoming heart monitoring for a-fib*
- BOBBY BIBLE: *recovery from surgical procedure & upcoming second procedure*
- KIM BISHOP: *mass in pancreas*
- BILL BLEAU: *treatment of multiple myeloma*
- JANNA CARROW: *upcoming cortisone injections on Friday, April 5*
- COLIN EILERT: *broken ankle*
- FRAN HORNE: *declining health*
- TOM HORNE: *knee replacement surgery on Monday, April 22*
- EVELYN SEXTON: *cancer*
- CAROLE ANN SHULL: *in the ICU in Greenland with a pulmonary embolism*
- LINDA SIGSTAD: *funds for medical treatment*
- TERESA ZIMMERMAN: *success of alternative cancer treatments; wisdom for her and the doctors*



BILL BLEAU
Multiple Myeloma
5194 Mud Mill Road
Camden Wyoming, DE 19934
Please pray for Bill as he has been diagnosed with multiple myeloma and is undergoing treatments. Consider sending him a note of encouragement!



Harvest from Heaven
SOUL-WINNING/DISCIPLESHIP
Praise the Lord for recent visitors bringing new visitors!
CHURCH SERVICES
8 visitors



Resurrection Sunday
Sunday, March 31
Sunday School at 9:45 AM | Services at 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM
"He is not here: for he is risen, as he said." Matthew 28:6

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From the Mission Field / Help Ministry

BAPTIST CHURCH PLANTING MINISTRY

February 2024

Please pray for three church plants in Irvine, CA; La Vernia, TX; and Halifax, Nova Scotia. Efforts are being made to reach over 180,000 people before these church plants start. We are thankful for over twenty-five local churches organizing their members to travel in and help distribute portions of God's Word, tracts, and invitations. The information is below:

- Irvine, CA, start date is March 17 – The new church is City Light Baptist with church planter James Kim. The reproducing church is Lighthouse Baptist with Pastor Randy Tewell.
- La Vernia, TX, start date is April 14 – The new church is Sand Hills Baptist with church planter Anthony Green. The reproducing church is New Life Baptist with Pastor Matt Green.
- Halifax, Nova Scotia, start date is April 21 – The new church is City Light Baptist with church planter Kelvin Balingit. The reproducing church is Faithway Baptist with Pastor Bob Wall.

I will inform you through email and social media as these church plants progress. It is exciting to see the Lord still work in hearts and minds as His Word and His gospel saturate an area. Thank you for investing in the work of helping churches reproduce churches.

March 2024

I am thrilled at what God is doing through the ministry of BCPM! For the last 30 years, BCPM has worked with over 200 church plants.

On average, BCPM invests over \$5,000 into every church plant project. God is blessing our efforts, and we are currently working on more than 20 projects, and as you can tell, that carries a heavy financial load. We've never charged for our services, and the pastors and church planters have been so thankful that we've offered so much help without being a financial burden on them.

To help with these costs, we are asking for your help with a special 30th Anniversary Offering. Below is information about a "30th Anniversary Offering Video" that explains the need in more detail. I am asking that each church pray about showing the video and then taking up offerings. Please consider giving to this critical need. Church planting is the answer to the darkness that invades our society, and God is using BCPM to help churches reproduce churches that are making an impact.

Find the video at bcpm.org. On the opening page, scroll down to "Give to the 30th Anniversary Offering." You can donate online or by check to our main office. If by check, just notate "30th Offering."

Thank you for investing in this special anniversary need. May the Lord bless you as you partner with BCPM to further church planting.

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