

Capitol Baptist CAPTIONS

Church Activities

APRIL 12, 2024

- **MINISTRY WORKERS TRAINING - SAT., APRIL 13**
 - › Required for all Capitol Baptist Church ministry volunteers
 - › Breakfast at 8:30 AM, Sessions starting at 9:00 AM, Lunch to follow
- **LADIES' SPRING TEA - SAT., APRIL 20**
 - › At 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall
 - › For ladies 7th grade and above
 - › Bring your own teacup and a finger food to share!
 - › Sign up if you will attend, and indicate if you plan to participate in the Beau-Tea-Ful Hat Contest!
- **MOMMIES & MINISTRY MEETING - FRI., MAY 3**
 - › At 7:00 PM at the Moores' home
 - › For mothers of young children
 - › Childcare not provided

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

CHRISTIANITY CAN BE A RIOT - PART 2

Acts 19:21-20:1 | Pastor T. H. Moore

Last week, we began to look at an incident that occurred in the city of Ephesus while Paul was there on his third missionary journey. All of us would agree that Paul saw nothing short of a revival in Ephesus while he was there, for we read in Acts 19:18-20, "And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds. Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver. So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed." Shortly after this occurred, the apostle Paul was preparing to leave Ephesus, pass through Macedonia and Achaia, go to Jerusalem, and then go on to Rome. Before he left, however, there arose a great stir against him and the revival that was taking place because of the effect that the revival was having upon the silversmiths and craftsmen who made and sold graven images of Diana. The leader of this group was a man named Demetrius, who rallied the workmen against Paul and his co-laborers there in Ephesus. Tempers escalated and the workmen caught two of Paul's co-laborers, Gaius and Aristarchus, and brought them into the public theater—but when Paul was about to go into the theater, the disciples would not let him go in because they knew that he would have been killed. Things escalated and a great riot erupted in the city. For two hours, the people were chanting, "Great is Diana of the Ephesians." Then, in verses 35-40, one of the town officials entered the scene and tried to calm things down by delivering a speech to this angry

mob. After his speech ended, the angry mob broke up and Paul departed from Ephesus and went on to Macedonia.

This incident brings me to the subject that we will be looking at for the next few weeks, "Christianity Can Be a Riot." As we read of this incident in Ephesus, we find three primary players that are involved—the apostle Paul, Demetrius, and the town clerk—and I believe that these three personalities could be representative of three types of personalities we see today. Last week, we looked at:

I. The Faithful Paul (vs. 21)

This week, let's look at:

II. The Foe Demetrius (vs. 24-27)

Whenever we do something for Christ, there will always be opposition!

As we look at what was happening in Ephesus during Paul's ministry there, we would all say a hearty, "Praise the Lord!" People were getting saved and lives were being changed for the good—but this man Demetrius did not say that at all. Instead, he delivered his own speech in verses 25-27, which reads in part, "Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth. Moreover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they be no gods, which are made with hands: So that not

only this our craft is in danger to be set at nought; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed, ..." Obviously, this man was not too happy about the revival. This reminds me of what happened in John 5:1-10 with the Lord Jesus Christ. In that passage, Christ healed a man that had been crippled for 38 years. You would think that everyone would rejoice at that—but they didn't. As a matter of fact, the unregenerate Jews criticized what happened, saying to the man, "... It is the sabbath day: it is not lawful for thee to carry thy bed." I want to say, "Really?" But this attitude is not unusual. We must remember that we are engaged in the age-old conflict of truth vs. error, right vs. wrong, holiness vs. sin, Christ vs. the devil. It is a spiritual battle!

In 1915, in Omaha, Nebraska, Billy Sunday had a fifty-day gospel campaign that concluded on October 24th. During that campaign, 742,000 people heard him preach and 13,000 people were saved. Billy Sunday preached hard against the whiskey gangs and booze. One Omaha newspaper commented on the great moral change that took place in the community as a result, but there were some Omaha newspapers that opposed Sunday. The Omaha Examiner called his methods "Un-Christlike," and the Omaha Board of Education banned Sunday from appearing in the public schools.

Let's never forget that whenever we do something for Christ, there will always be opposition! This is part of the journey.

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
- BURTON BETTS: upcoming heart monitoring for a-fib (scheduled to begin April 26)
- BOBBY BIBLE: upcoming second procedure
- BILL BLEAU: treatment of multiple myeloma
- JANNA CARROW: back & neck injuries (from car accident); brain MRI (today—Friday, April 12) results
- DANNY CLUBB: health complications from diabetes (toe amputation recovery, heart stent surgery today—Friday, April 12)
- COLIN EILERT: broken ankle
- BRENDA ENSLEY: Achilles tendon surgery recovery
- RENÉE FOXX: health
- FRAN HORNE: declining health
- TOM HORNE: knee replacement surgery on Monday, April 22
- MARSHA LEDUC: recovery from a fall (broken shoulder & 3 broken ribs)
- BILL MINCY: recovery from a fall (5 broken ribs & 5 broken bones in back)
- HEATHER REECE: knee surgery on April 17
- SHELTON ROSLIN: doctors' wisdom for treating EoE
- CAROLE ANN SHULL: in Denmark awaiting biopsy results; praise—encouraging PET scan results
- TERESA ZIMMERMAN: wisdom; success of alternative cancer treatments; appointment on May 1



MARSHA LEDUC
Recovery from a Fall

1008 McGinnis Pond Rd.
Frederica, DE 19946

Please pray for Marsha as she recovers from a fall (broken shoulder and three broken ribs). Consider sending her a note of encouragement!



SOUL-WINNING/DISCIPLESHIP
Praise the Lord for returning visitors bringing visitors!

CHURCH SERVICES
8 visitors

MINISTRY WORKERS' TRAINING

Required for all
Capitol Baptist Church Ministry Volunteers

SATURDAY - APRIL 13, 2024
8:30 AM - BREAKFAST » 9:00 AM - SESSIONS » 12:00 PM - LUNCH

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From the Mission Field / Help Ministry

PASTOR ELDON & LAURA FOWLER - LUBBOCK, TEXAS

February 12, 2024

Psalm 103:1-5 "Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies; Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's."

Dear Praying Saints,

Thank you for investing in our ministry "... we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the Word." Acts 6:4

Your prayer, "... The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man ..." is an investment in eternal works. James 5:16

ENCOURAGEMENT TO KEEP SHARING THE WORD

Not long ago, one of the hospital patients was a lady approximately 80 years old. She had a weak memory. When the question was asked, "If you died today, are you 100% sure you would go to heaven?" there was no hesitation, "No, I do not know I'd go to heaven." After she heard the reading of I John 5:13, "These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God," she said, "That's what I need." God's simple plan of salvation was presented. She gladly prayed and received Jesus Christ into her life. It was the following

reply, when I shared this story with one of my prayer warriors in Delaware, that stirred my heart to keep sharing the Word. She texted back this message: "Those are the stories I love to hear, and I think: What if it were me and no one came to tell me? So, I'm glad you go."

Week before last, the new patient was a 34-year-old man who had been injured in an automobile accident. He had just been admitted to the rehab hospital I serve as chaplain. Two different automobile accidents had taken the lives of two older brothers. The loss of those two brothers had prepared him to gladly receive Jesus Christ in his life. The providential hand of God is working in our lives to bring us into contact with people who are ready and even anxious to hear the gospel and receive Christ.

Please rejoice with me that hospital visitation and witnessing continue with liberty of the Spirit to speak, pray, sing, and present the gospel. Also, please rejoice with me for God's purpose. Pulpit preaching has sometimes been a time of struggle: My mind is not free, and speaking has been a halting struggle. For this reason, I have canceled preaching appointments. One of the benefits of this battle: it sure does combat pride!!!

Thank you for praying,
Eldon and Laura Fowler

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