



# genesis church

begin. believe. become.

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## TUESDAY

6:00 Pastor's Bible Study  
in person at Church & Zoom  
Link forthcoming

## WEDNESDAY

6:30 Worship Team Practice  
at the Church

6:30 Youth Group  
Meeting at the Church  
Snacks will be Provided  
Contact Chris for details

## THURSDAY

6:30 Ladies Bible Study  
at the Church  
No snacks- Water available

## SATURDAY

8:00 Reflective Walk  
Memorial Island

## PRAYER List

Carl Volgarino  
Barbara Van Arman  
Karen Gupton  
Jimmy Morrison  
Lynn Lindsey  
Linda Napier  
Henny H. Raams - Mother of Marieke Dam  
John David Moser - Friend of Vern & Pam Barker.  
Billie Brooks, her daughter, Angela and her granddaughter, Rebecca..

Please add Jim Sanderson, Gloria Thomas, Jeannie Jenness, Bobbie Parris & Harold and Linda, friends of Carl Volgarino & Heather Kmetz, daughter of Debbie & George. Heather will be having a heart procedure Thursday.





# Message from Pastor Derrick



## Why?

### 8 Questions We're Scared to Ask from Job #4 Selected Verses

#### Three Whys

(1) Why are the wicked allowed to increase their wickedness and seemingly prosper while you do nothing, Oh Lord?

(a) How It Seems:

- ) The rod of the Lord is on me, not the wicked (Job 21:7-9)
- ) Not only are the wicked spared the rod, they prosper (Job 21:13-15)
- ) Unlike with me, God seems to delay his judgment; or doesn't even judge at all (Job 21:17)

(b) The Reality:

Wicked are not prospering. God has given them over to their own desires; the surest sign of condemnation to come without repentance. See Judas Iscariot.

(c) The Why:

God is slow to judge via condemnation -- because he doesn't wish anyone to perish not wishing any to perish (2 Peter 3:9)

(2) Why were/are you absent when you could have intervened, Oh Lord?

(a) How It Seems:

- ) Absent when I cry out in anguish (23:1-3)
- ) I continually cry out and still no answer (23:8-9)

(b) The Reality :

Spirit is a seal of our salvation as well as sign that God is always present and never absent (Romans 8:26-27)

(c) The Why:

- ) If God rushed at every opportunity, he would deprive us of the opportunity we have to love one another through a difficult time
- ) If he seems absent, then perhaps he wants you to figure out how love and the actions that flow from it can really matter in the world.

(3) Why are the innocent on the receiving end of tragedy, and/or wrongdoing?

(a) How It Seems:

- ) Innocent people are often on the receiving end of tragedy (Job 23:12; 14)(c)
- ) Innocent suffer from the sins of others
- ) Innocent people suffer through "Acts of God" (i.e., Natural Disasters)

(b) The Reality:

- ) God answered this question by joining our struggle, instead of trivializing our pain, by sending an innocent son.
- ) On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross.



(c) The Why:

To take our eyes off this world and put it onto the next

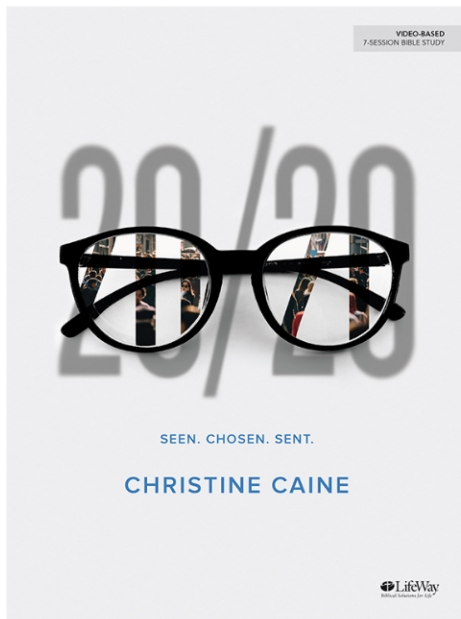
**One Hope:**

(4) No tragedy. No death. No illness. No suffering will ever have the last word.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations (Rev 22:1-2).



**YOUTH GROUP**  
6:30 Wednesday at the Church  
Call Chris for Details  
**Snacks will be Served**



**LADIES BIBLE STUDY**  
**THURSDAY**

**AUGUST 13, 2020**

6:30 at the CHURCH

NO SNACKS - WATER  
PROVIDED

**Social Distancing will be in  
place**

RSVP to Gloria,  
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LEARNING FROM THE GREAT TEACHER  
John 3

A LIFE-CHANGING LESSON

I remember one thing from the third grade: my teacher, Mrs. Howard, liked me. Although long-division was very difficult, I was willing to tackle it because I wanted nothing more than to please Mrs. Howard. One day, I showed up to third grade only to learn that Mrs. Howard had suddenly retired. I was crushed. While those mathematics lessons have faded from my memory, Mrs. Howard's care for me as a person has stayed with me for a lifetime.

Twenty-nine times in the gospels, Jesus is addressed as "Teacher." For those students willing to hear, the lessons He taught them would never be lost. In John 3, Nicodemus (a Pharisee in charge of people's spiritual well-being) recognized that Jesus was a very different kind of teacher. Nicodemus approached Jesus at night and said to Him, "You are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God was not with him" (v. 3). Nicodemus was compelled by what he had heard and seen of Jesus to risk the critique of his fellow Pharisees and interact with this teacher who he felt had "come from God" (v. 2). Jesus used this opportunity to teach Nicodemus a life-giving message: he must be born again.

The lesson was confusing at first, and Nicodemus struggled to understand what it meant to be "born again" (v. 3). His questions were sincere, but Jesus observed, "You are Israel's teacher, and do you not understand these things?" (v. 10). Jesus challenged Nicodemus's understanding of salvation. This lesson would have lifelong results, not just for Nicodemus, but for all those he would influence. If anyone needed to know truth so he could share it with others, wouldn't it be "Israel's teacher?"

Each of us has the opportunity to teach the most powerful life-changing lesson of all: "You must be born again." You don't need a teaching degree to share the good news that Jesus saves sinners. And you never retire from sharing the gospel!

PRAYER

Thank the Lord for the powerful lesson He gave Nicodemus in today's reading. May we have a teachable spirit and sensitive heart, open to the truths Christ teaches us in our walk with Him.

--Today in the Word

