



Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

Welcome to our Worship Service!

August 30, 2020

Devotional:----- Brandon King

Message:----- Ralph Yoder

Offering:----- Alms

Adult and Youth Verse: Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

Intermediate Verse: Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equal; knowing that ye also have a master in heaven. Colossians 4:1

Junior Verse: And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we command you. 1Thessalonians 4:11

Primary Verse: Let us love one another: for love is of God. 1 John 4:7

Preschool Verse: Love one another; as I have loved you. John 13:34

☐ CHILDREN'S CORNER ○ ☐ ○ ☐

The Boasting Traveler

A man came back from a tour and boasted about his adventurous journeys. He talked at length about the different people he met and his amazing feats that got him fame and praise from people everywhere. He went on to say that he went to the Rhodes where he had leaped to such distances that no man could ever match his feat.

He even went on to say that there were witnesses who would vouch for his words. Hearing the man boast so much, a smart bystander said, "Oh good man, we do not need any witnesses to believe your words. Imagine this place to be Rhodes and leap for us".

The lying traveler didn't know what to do and went away quietly.

Moral: He who does a thing well, does not need to boast.

<https://www.momjunction.com/articles/moral-stories-for-kids>

Announcements:

✓ This Evening: Open Evening

~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES ~

Happy Birthday! Sept.5, LaDonna Nissley 2000

Devotional #8 of The Father's Love Letter

I knew you even before you were conceived.

The word of the LORD came to me, saying, Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born, I set you apart; Jeremiah 1:4-5 (NIV Bible)

When Jeremiah was called to be a prophet to Israel, God declared that even before he was conceived, he was known by God and set apart for His divine purposes. The road that Jeremiah would walk in his ministry life would not be an easy one, for he suffered much abuse at the hands of his fellow Israelites.

I wonder if he ever reflected on these words when he was going through his darkest times? When he was alone in that cold, damp prison cell, did he ever go back to the beginning of his ministry and meditate on God's words to him? I believe the revelation that he was known by God, and set apart for His purposes, gave Jeremiah the strength to continue to walk out his destiny, even in the darkest of times.

Knowing that it was God who knew us, and formed us, and called us into life, is the bedrock of our existence. When everything else around us is not making sense, this truth can give us the grounding that we desperately need to go on. We are all looking for a sense of meaning and purpose in our lives.

Many people have not received this affirmation from their parents, but it was not their parents who knew them before they were conceived, but God. It was God who formed each one of us in our mother's womb and called us to life. It was God who set us apart for His divine purposes and plans.

Before an architect constructs a building, he meticulously puts every detail on paper, every component needed to make his dream into a reality. The idea is first conceived in his mind, then is transferred on paper, and then when everything is just perfect, he starts the process of building his creation.

In my own limited understanding of God's creation process, this is how I imagine it to be. He first conceived us in His mind, and with great thoughts of love, He began to chart every detail of our DNA in preparation for the time when he would form us in our mother's womb. What a wonderful thought, to know that the God of the universe knew us intimately and set us apart for His purposes even before we were conceived!

PRAYER

Father, Your love for me existed even before you formed me in my mother's womb. You knew me and set me apart for Your special purpose long before I was born. Help me to receive a deeper revelation of this truth, so that I might continue to walk out my destiny in the shadow of Your love. In the name of your beloved Son Jesus, I pray,

AMEN.

<https://www.fathersloveletter.com/devotional-8.html>

Mission & Vision Statement Of: Calvary Christian Fellowship

Mission: To realize our need of Christ.

To help one another on life's journey.

Vision: To surrender to Christ our Head, to walk in the Spirit, to love as Jesus loves.

To be a place where it's safe to share failures, struggles, hopes, and dreams.

To encourage, and empower one another to find God's purpose as we walk with

Christ on our journey to Heaven.

To help the hurting find healing, and the lost experience salvation, in Christ.

To assist in physical needs among, and around us.