



Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

Welcome to our Worship Service!

March 13, 2016

Devotional:----- Nathan Yoder
 Message:----- Henry Nissley
 Offering:----- General
 SS Lesson:----- 1 Peter 2:1-12

Adult and Youth Verse: But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. 1 Peter 2:9

Intermediate Verse: But we are sure that the judgement of God is according to truth against them which commit such things. Romans 2:2

Junior Verse: "If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; if he be thirsty, give him water to drink." Proverbs 25:21

Primary Verse: "The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the Lord hath made even both of them." Proverbs 20:12

Preschool Verse: "He hath done all things well" Mark 7:37

SS Lesson for next week: 1 Peter 2:13-25

Adult and Youth Verse for next week: For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: 1 Peter 2:21

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Trekking Through Proverbs Tongues That Speak Truth

-by Stacia McKeever

Solomon wrote more proverbs on the tongue and the words we speak with it than any other topic. In fact, in one proverb, he lists seven things the Lord hates and three of those seven deal with the tongue (PROVERBS 6:16-19). Because God is true, He hates lying (PROVERBS 6:17). He wants us to be truthful (PSALM 51:6) and is delighted when we speak truth (PROVERBS 12:22).

Those who are foolish speak untruths and make up stories (PROVERBS 14:7). And foolishly speaking untruths about others can cause them great harm (PROVERBS 15:4). We need to be careful to think about what we say before we say it because we can't take back our words once we've said them (PROVERBS 16:23)!

As His children, we can ask God to help us to use our tongues in wise ways. Those who are on the wise path speak truth in every area!

Before you speak, ask yourself: Is what I'm saying true?

-Kids Answers <https://answersingenesis.org/kids/bible/tongues-speak-truth/>

Announcements:

- This Evening: Free Evening
- Youth are invited to Ralph Yoders for lunch and will be singing at Morningside afterward.
- Wednesday Evening: Prison Service (Annex) 4:15 PM. Loren, Chad & Jonathan - Devotions
- School devotions this week by: Loren Yoder
- School Hot Lunch by the Youth Group.
- Craft Sale is planned for Friday (the 18th) Please have your craft items at the school by 3PM on Friday. There will be no school on Friday.
- No Church Social this week due to the Craft Sale.

~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES~

March 17, Happy Birthday! Jason Yoder, 1975

A young woman went to her grandmother and told her about her life and how things were so hard for her. She did not know how she was going to make it and wanted to give up. She was tired of fighting and struggling. It seemed as soon as one problem was solved, a new one arose.

Her grandmother took her to the kitchen. She filled three pots with water and placed each on a high fire. Soon the pots came to boil. In the first she placed carrots, in the second she placed eggs, and in the last she placed ground coffee beans. She let them sit and boil; without saying a word.

In about twenty minutes she turned off the burners. She fished the carrots out and placed them in a bowl. She pulled the eggs out and placed them in a bowl. Then she ladled the coffee out and placed it in a bowl.

Turning to her granddaughter, she asked, "Tell me what you see."

"Carrots, eggs, and coffee," she replied.

Her grandmother brought her closer and asked her to feel the carrots. She did and noted that they were soft. The grandmother then asked the granddaughter to take an egg and break it. After pulling off the shell, she observed the hard boiled egg.

Finally, the grandmother asked the granddaughter to sip the coffee. The granddaughter smiled as she tasted its rich aroma. The granddaughter then asked, "What does it mean, grandmother?"

Her grandmother explained that each of these objects had faced the same adversity: boiling water. Each reacted differently. The carrot went in strong, hard, and

unrelenting. However, after being subjected to the boiling water, it softened and became weak. The egg had been fragile. Its thin outer shell had protected its liquid interior, but after sitting through the boiling water, its inside became hardened. The ground coffee beans were unique, however. After they were in the boiling water, they had changed the water.

"Which are you?" she asked her granddaughter. "When adversity knocks on your door, how do you respond? Are you a carrot, an egg or a coffee bean?"

Think of this: Which am I? Am I the carrot that seems strong, but with pain and adversity? Do I wilt and become soft and lose my strength?

Am I the egg that starts with a malleable heart, but changes with the heat? Did I have a fluid spirit, but after a death, a breakup, a financial hardship or some other trial, have I become hardened and stiff? Does my shell look the same, but on the inside am I bitter and tough with a stiff spirit and hardened heart?

Or am I like the coffee bean? The bean actually changes the hot water, the very circumstance that brings the pain. When the water gets hot, it releases the fragrance and flavor. If you are like the bean, when things are at their worst, you get better and change the situation around you. When the hour is the darkest and trials are their greatest, do you elevate yourself to another level?

How do you handle adversity? Are you a carrot, an egg or a coffee bean?

-Source: Facebook, Origin Unknown