Prayer?

Please list your prayer requests with detailed information of people in need. Thank you!



Sermon.

Speaker: Buster Brown, Senior Pastor

Today's Message: The Walk of Faith and the Boat Manifest Today's Text: Matthew 8:23-27

"Or how can someone enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? Then indeed he may plunder his house." Matthew 12:29

"Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." John 12: 31-32

"And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. And they went and woke him, saying, 'Save us, Lord; we are perishing.' And he said to them, 'Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?' Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. And the men marveled, saying, 'What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?" Matthew 8: 23-27

Satan was mortally wounded at the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ. He is presently involved in a losing campaign of guerilla warfare. We live between the inaugurated kingdom of God and the realized kingdom of God (the new heavens and the new earth or D-day and VE- day).

OBSERVATIONS from Matthew 8:23-27

- 1. We can glory in the power of the living Christ from a distance, but it can be incredibly different when it is "up close and personal," i.e. a sudden storm that overwhelms some sea-weathered fishermen.
- 2. The growing realization of who Christ was as Sustainer, Healer and Eternal Creator, filled these men with a sense of marvel (Matthew 8:27) and fear (Mark 4:41) and this fear was an emotion filled by the desire to flee or hide.

"The first and great lesson we have to apply to ourselves" and to one another (from this text) is it is very wrong for a Christian to ever be in such a condition. I do not care what the circumstances may be, the Christian should never be agitated or beside himself like this, the Christian should never be at wits end, or should never be in a condition where he has lost control of himself...a Christian should never, like the worldly person, be depressed, agitated, alarmed, frantic, not knowing what to do." Spiritual Depression: Its Causes and Cures, Martyn Lloyd-Jones

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WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOUR FAITH FALTERS?

- 1. A powerful argument: understand the e _ nature of the character of God and His kingdom. (Psalm 73)
- 2. The most powerful argument: behold the glory and majesty of the cross.

"He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?" Romans 8:32

NEW CITY CATECHISM

Question 1: What is our only hope in life and death?

Answer: That we are not our own but belong, body and soul, both in life and death, to God and to our Savior Jesus Christ.

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM LORD'S DAY 1

Question: What is your only comfort in life and death?

Answer: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready for now on to live for Him.

APPLICATION

Faith is a refusal to p_____ or g____ in to the prevailing cultural currents.

ANSWER KEY: eternal, panic, give

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- 1. What are some up close and personal issues that believers in your circles of relationship deal with?
- What arguments underscore Paul's statements in 2 2. Corinthians 5 regarding "we walk by faith and not by sight"?
- Why is the glory of the cross considered an argument 3. that is 'a fortiori' (an argument from the stronger to the lesser)?
- Why is faith a refusal to panic or give in (panic in a 4 given situation or give in to the prevailing cultural currents)?

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Welcome.

We're glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new to East Cooper Baptist, we would love to meet you. Please stop by the Welcome Center following the worship services to say hello and let us answer any questions you may have. Thanks for being our guest.

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Traditional Worship / Sunday Equip•u Classes Sanctuary 9:00a & 10:45a Contemporary Worship / Sunday Equip•u Classes Worship Center 9:00a & 10:45a

🚊 Next Steps.

1. Attend a Guest Luncheon

Get to know us better at our next Guest Luncheon and see what God has in store for you. You'll meet our pastor and some of our staff and enjoy fellowship with a great meal. Our next free luncheon is March 10 at 12:15p in the Gym. For more information, please contact Carol at carolw@eastcooperbaptist.com.

2. Find an equip•u Class

Our equip•u classes are groups that meet before or after the worship services to study the Bible in depth. Visit the Welcome Center to pick up an equip•u guide or go online to choose from a variety of classes. Register for track classes at eastcooperbaptist.com/classes.

3. Join a Community Group

An authentic biblical community provides a place where we can grow, learn, and serve as we seek to know Jesus. We have a variety of over 30 open groups from students to adults. Please go online today to locate a group near you. eastcooperbaptist.com/groups

4. Become a Member

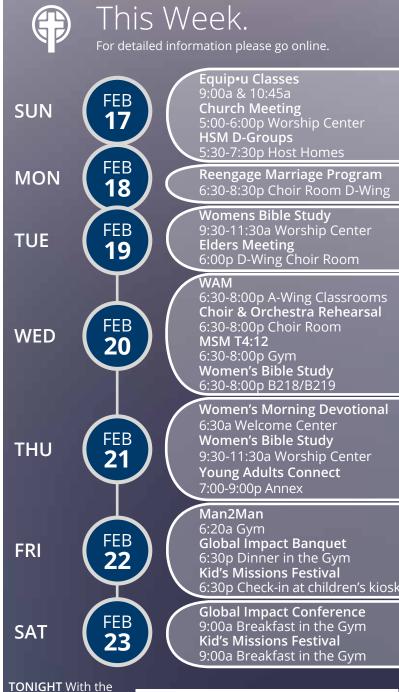
Register online for our upcoming New Members Class on Saturday, March 16. This class is a basic introduction to our church family and is a requirement for joining the church. We designed this class to clearly explain what we believe at East Cooper Baptist.

5. Serve in equip-them

Equip-them is the serving arm for Sunday morning ministries. We have nearly 600 opportunities to serve. Some needs require 15 minutes before the service, others may require the whole equipping hour. eastcooperbaptist.com/serve

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recent report of sexual abuse within our denomination, the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC), the pastors and elders of East Cooper Baptist Church have called a special meeting to grieve for those who have suffered, to pray

for healing and repentance, and to address any questions as to how we are implementing safeguards within our church to protect against such evil. Childcare will not be provided, however, all screens in the foyer and hallways will be on should you need to step out with a child. Join us in the Worship Center from 5:00-6:00p.

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CHURCH

MEETING

TONIGHT FROM

5:00-6:00p

Upcoming.

For detailed event information please go online.

FEB 22-24 The Global Impact Conference is a time when we, as a church, focus on Christ's Great Commission, to make disciples of all nations. For more information about our speaker, schedule and to register please go online. REGISTER TODAY



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FEB 22-24 The Kids Mission Festival goes alongside our Global Impact Conference. This year we will be focusing on refugees from several countries. Your kids will love being apart of this and it's a great way to start teaching your children about the great commission! REGISTER NOW

MAR 8 & 9 Join us for this year's 210 Women's Conference, "Treasures in the Darkness," with our speaker RoxAnne Cox. RoxAnne will be sharing about the "gift" of pain and how she has found treasures in adversity. Registration closes March 1. **REGISTER ONLINE**

MAR 8-10 Join us as we head to Look Up Lodge for our Spring Retreat! This is a long-time student favorite and a fantastic way for students to build friendships in the Middle School Ministry. The cost is \$180. **REGISTER ONLINE**

MAR 15 & 16 On a weekend set aside for just time with dads and their sons, we will spend time camping, kayaking, or shooting clay/paper targets, and having fun! Join us to spend quality time with your son and to get to know other dads and sons from ECBC! **REGISTER ONLINE**

MAR 16 In this class you will learn more about what we believe as a church, ways that you can be more involved, and how you can become a member. This is a great way to get to know other people at ECBC. Childcare is available. REGISTER TODAY

JUL 4-14 & 11-21 Volunteers will teach basic English to small groups. No prior teaching experience needed. The classes are a part of a larger church planting strategy of our partners in Bangkok. Cost: Airfare (\$1200 - \$1400) plus \$350. Deadline to apply: March 15. **APPLY ONLINE**

AUG 8-20 These islands have had little or no Christian witness. You'll meet lots of friendly people and share the Gospel with those that have never heard. Cost: \$2100-\$2700 (depending on airfare) Deadline to apply: May 15. APPLY ONLINE



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