Prayer?

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

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Sermon.

Speaker: Buster Brown, Senior Pastor

Message: Helping Others...to Treasure Jesus

Text: Galatians 6:1-3

"Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself." Galatians 6:1-3

Helping broken people treasure Jesus.

We are called into biblical community by the grace of the cross and a key aspect of community building is bearing/sharing each others' burdens thus fulfilling the law of Christ.

1. The horrid reality: Sin can overcome/catch/ trap professing Christians. The mark of saving faith involves ongoing obedience. Therefore, the restoration process involves repentance over known sin. (Matthew 13:20-21, 1 John 2:19 and 3:9)

WHAT IS SIN?

Sin is rejecting or ignoring God in the world he created, rebelling against him by living without reference to him, not being or doing what he requires in his law—resulting in our death and the disintegration of all creation. New City Catechism, Question 16

2. The glorious calling: Bearing each others' burdens in such a way that restoration/strengthening is a reality.

BEARING = to carry for a long distance

"Mr. Frodo, I can't carry it (the ring) for you, but I can carry you!" Samwise Gamgee, The Return of the King, Lord of the Rings Movie Trilogy

- 3. The pattern or M.O. of burden-bearing:
- "You who are spiritual." Those who walk by the Spirit (Galatians 5:16), are led by the Spirit (Galatians 5:25a), produce the fruit of the Spirit in their lives (Galatians 5:22-23), and keep in step with the Spirit (Galatians 5:25b)

"It makes me happier, more secure, to think that I do not have to plan and manage everything for myself, that I am only a sword made sharp to smite the unclean forces, an enchanted sword to cleave and disperse them. Grant, o Lord, that I may not break as I strike! Let me not fall from Thy hand!" Alexander Solzhenitsyn

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Sermon.

- In a spirit of gentleness
- Those who restore, walk in humility as they know their own heart, i.e. keep watch over yourselves

The Convictional Mindset of a Burden-bearer:

"...for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water." Jeremiah 2:13

1. The triune God is the overflowing fountain of glorious good.

"But you and I must be clear. There is but one good; that is God. Everything else is good when it looks to him and bad when it turns from him. And the higher and the mightier it is in the natural order (affection, friendship, intimacy), the more demoniac it will be if it rebels. It's not out of bad mice or bad fleas, you make demons, but out of bad archangels." CS Lewis, The Great Divorce

2. The very best of broken cisterns cannot ultimately hold the water of lasting and true joy (and repentance draws God near).

"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise." Psalm 51:17

3. The Lord's way is best and leads to human flourishing.

QUESTIONS:

- 1. True or False: All are called to be spiritual and are to be in readiness to graciously restore lapsed/fallen/backslidden professing Christians.
- 2. What attitudes are obvious in those who would seek to restore others?
- 3. What aspects of sin are mentioned in the New City Catechism, Question 16?
- 4. How does burden-bearing fulfill the law of Christ (John 13:34-35, Galatians 5:14, James 2:18)?

ALL are to be burden-bearers.
ALL are to be the spiritual ones who bear burdens.
ALL have burdens that need bearing.



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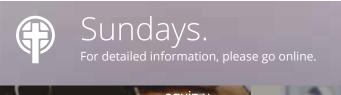
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Sunday Morning equip•u Classes

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into God's Word. Join us as Danny Beech walks us through how to study the Bible, specifically the book of Matthew. Meets in rooms B220 & 221 at 11:00a.

- **2. Revelation** explores the final book of the New Testament. This class is taught by Ray Nash and meets in B214 & 215 at 9:30a.
- 3. D6 Family Discipleship covers the same biblical content as your children and students do during their Bible study classes. Taught by Steve Tuck and meets in the gym at 11:00a.

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Classes for birth-K5 will be offered during both worship hours. We encourage older children to worship with their parents at 9:30a and then age specific classes will be held at 11:00a.

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BAPTISM

Our next baptism will be on May 2. If you are interested in being baptized, please email Kristen Crown at kristenc@eastcooperbaptist.com. An ECBC pastor will then contact you to schedule an interview.

EMAIL FOR INFO.



THURSDAYS

This group meets at 6:30a on Thursday mornings in the Welcome Center. Join us as we learn from other women and hear about their experiences of God's faithfulness in their specific callings. No childcare provided.

SEE YOU THERE.



LOSS OF A SPOUSE

If you have experienced the loss of a spouse, we want to come alongside you in this journey of grief. This seminar will help you to face the future with a measure of hope. Join us April 25 at 11:00am in room B227

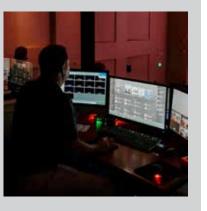
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