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COMPASSIONATE PRAYING

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR



*Jeremiah 9:1
Oh that my head were waters, and my eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!*

It is hard to pay attention to the news and not be moved by the reports of multiple unfolding natural and man-made disasters and distresses. We hear of the challenges in Afghanistan; the plights of our Haitian neighbors who are reel-

ing from a recent earthquake followed by a hurricane; the folks displaced and killed by Hurricane Ida; not to mention the personal challenges many in our church family face. In the midst of so much hurt and pain, we can be tempted to either become so overwhelmed that we become emotional wrecks, or we can just harden our hearts so we do not hurt so much.

The Prophet Jeremiah shows us a different way. As he beheld the disaster that overtook his nation, he turned his grief into heartfelt prayers to God for them. He turned to God the Creator

and Sovereign of the universe in earnest supplication. By so doing he was acknowledging that despite the chaos, God was still in charge. And more than that, he was affirming that God cared. And that he, Jeremiah, cared. God still cares for hurting people. May He move our hearts with the same kind of empathy that Jeremiah had so that we too can cry out in compassionate prayer for those who are hurting around us.

God bless you,

Pastor James

YOU, HOWEVER, KNOW...

In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

2 Timothy 3:12-15

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

CORPORATE PRAYER TUE @ 7 PM

Sep 7

Join us via Zoom video
Please contact Pastor James for log on information at rcantio@gmail.com

EVENING SERVICE 1st & 3rd SUN @ 6 PM

The next evening service is
Sep 19 in-person at church.

WORSHIP SERVICE SUN @ 11 AM

Sep 12

In-person service & livestream.
Livestreaming only on Facebook and our church's website.

QUICK TIPS

Two ways to give your offering. Traditional with a check by mail or through our secured website online giving is now possible. Please remember to hit "SAVE" after you give if you did not set up an account so the church can have a record of who gave for tax purposes. Thank you!

YOUTH GROUP FRI @ 6:45 PM

Sep 10

Youth meetings are in-person at church.
for ages 13 & older

KIDZONE SUN @ 11 AM

Sep 12

Kidzone is available every Sunday during the morning service.
for ages 4 – 12 yrs. old.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Save the Date! October 3rd is our Church's Anniversary and Friend Day.** Please invite a friend to the service. Depending on the social circumstances, we will have a free international potluck luncheon.
- **Men's Breakfast on Saturday @ 9am.** Invite a friend and bring something to share for breakfast if you can.
- **Growth Groups begin October 8th and 9th.** Plan to attend one convenient to you.
- **Our Youth 6th Annual Sleepover Event is on Friday, September 17th.** Starting at 7 p.m. until 8 a.m. Saturday at church. Invite your friends. For teens 13 yrs. and older. See Frank or Lina Scibelli for more details
- The Community Bible Institute (CBI) will be offering two online classes this Fall. For more details contact Pastor Jimmie Van Sant @ 973 534 0835.
- *Want to discover God's will for your life? Join us at church for our in-person Evening Service 1st and 3rd Sunday @ 6 pm.*
- Bible reading plans for 2021 are available at the Information Table and on our website. Pick up a copy or download one today. Also, please read Pastor Jimmie's daily blog on the readings.