

01 December 2024

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SERVICE TIMES

Bible Study & Sunday School

Bible Study 9:00- 9:45 AM.
Sunday School 9:00-9:45 AM
Young Adults 9:00- 9:45 AM.
Youth 9:00- 9:45 AM.

Sunday Worship

AM: 10:00 - 11:15

PM: 18:00 –19:00

Living a new life in Christ

From the desk of Dereck...

How Do I Know You Know What You Say You Know?

There seems to be a growing number of “progressive Christian pastors” on social media these days, claiming that they have discovered the true meanings of controversial Bible passages. These so-called theologians allege that long-held church teachings concerning homosexuality and other practices are based on false interpretations of Scripture.

Of course, we can easily show in Scripture that there is zero basis to their assertions. **1 Corinthians 6:9-10** states, **“Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites... will inherit the kingdom of God.”** However, rather than debunking all the false teachings, why don’t we look to the Scriptures and see how we can identify these false theologians?

It should be no surprise that we are seeing a rise in false teachers on social media. Paul warned in **2 Timothy 4:3-4**, **“For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.”** Social media is the perfect breeding ground for false doctrine. Its very design amplifies the most popular opinions and silences those who dissent.

Thankfully, identifying false teachers is pretty easy if we know the Scriptures. In **1 John 2:3-4**, the apostle Jesus loved shows us, saying, **“Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, ‘I know Him,’ and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.”** In other words, they cannot be trusted if they aren’t living according to the Scriptures.

What, then, do we see from these social media preachers? Those advocating for the church to change and accept all kinds of sin are practising them. And they flaunt their sin from their pulpits. **“Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be” (Rom. 8:7).** Paul says here that they cannot help themselves. They advocate for sin because they love their sin. This is not the heart of someone who knows God.

So, how do you know if someone is a trustworthy source of Biblical truth? They have to know God. If they don’t keep His commandments and preach against sin, then you will know with certainty that not only do they not know the Lord, but He never knew them (**Matt. 7:21-23**). Don’t be swayed by these wolves in sheep’s clothing. Their end will be according to their deeds (**2 Cor. 11:15**). Seek the counsel of those who delight in the law of the Lord (**Psa. 1:1**).

Let’s be very careful who we follow and, more, who we listen to.

Have a wonderful week.

Love in Christ,

Dereck

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LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Tuesdays at 10am

Contact: Sue 063 779 9914 or Ali 084 5584 508

MID WEEK BIBLE STUDY CLASS

Wednesday 7.00 - 8.00 pm

SMALL GROUPS

Thursday evening group, Bible Study

Thursday 7.00—8.00pm

Contact: Johan G 083 233 4726 or Darryn 072 385 9062

YOUTH FRIDAYS 18H30—20H00 (alternates)

Kids for Christ Grade 2 to Grade 7

Contact: Tish 084 398 8556 or Gaynor 072 111 5220

YOUTH Grade 8 to Grade 12

Contact: Johan & Gaynor Pienaar 083 456 0791

PRAYER REQUESTS

Those who are ill/surgeries: Anzonia's Dad, Reg Townsend, Dianne Branford, Thinus Buys, Elijah April

The bereaved: Our love & condolences to Virginia Salzmann & family, the Gerber family, Lazama & family, & the Ganesh family, Hannah Brocklebank & family. May the God of comfort be with you.

The elderly & those in need of prayer: SA Bible College, our country & leaders & world leaders, and those affected by the wars in the Ukraine, Palestine & Israel.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Glen DW Holmes	02 Dec
Eloise Elgar	03 Dec
Stephen VD Walt	05 Dec
Chloe Elgar	07 Dec
Lilly Jansen	07 Dec

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Peter & Caren Jäck—04 Dec



UPCOMING EVENTS

Family Fun Day: Saturday 07 Dec

Sunday School Prize-Giving: Sun 08 Dec

Green Pastures Christmas Carols:
Tuesday 10 December



Christmas Hampers

We would like to pack Christmas Hampers for 10 families. If you would like to assist, Lists are on the notice board.

Due date: 01 December



TUESDAY LADIES' CLASS

Ladies class

Has ended for the year.

We wish you a blessed and peaceful Christmas season.

See you next year.



THURSDAY GROUP

Durbanville group end of year fellowship at Skot & Elise from 18h30.

Please contact Christa Gerber 084 897 4974 with any queries.

Malmesbury/Paarl group also meet on a Thursday, on zoom.

Please contact Darryn McLachlan 072 385 9062 for the details



SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

Devo evening

Date: Sun 08 December

at: 6pm



SUNDAY SCHOOL 9am—9:45am

DATE	01 December	08 December
Cradle roll	Tish	No
Age 4—6	Devereaux & Lauren	Sunday
Grade 1—2	Ali & Keren	School
Grade 3 - 4	Ali & Keren	Over
Grade 5 - 7	Darryn & Danelle	holidays

THIS WEEK 01 December 2024

DUTY ROSTER

NEXT WEEK 08 December 2024

AM		PM	AM		PM
Dereck Beukes			Dereck Beukes		
Criston Sloan			Stephen Leibbrandt		
Darryn McLachlan			Johan Pienaar		
Darryn, Stephen, John-Mark, Duan			Johan, Zane, Leonard, Netshavha		
Stephen Leibbrandt			Zane Elgar		
Dereck Beukes		Song & Prayer	Dereck Beukes		Devotional evening
John-Mark Iyi			Leonard Green		
			COMMUNION		
			TEA		
Eleanor			Sound		Jorren

FINANCES

God bless you

as you excel

In your giving -

2 Cor. 8 : 7



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