



Title: "Upbringing"

Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Rex McDaniel

Date: March 16, 2014

Scripture: John 3:1-8, NT, The Message, pg. 93
3 1-2 There was a man of the Pharisee sect, Nicodemus, a prominent leader among the Jews. Late one night he visited Jesus and said, "Rabbi, we all know you're a teacher straight from God. No one could do all the God-pointing, God-revealing acts you do if God weren't in on it." 3 Jesus said, "You're absolutely right. Take it from me: Unless a person is born from above, it's not possible to see what I'm pointing to—to God's kingdom." 4 "How can anyone," said Nicodemus, "be born who has already been born and grown up? You can't re-enter your mother's womb and be born again. What are you saying with this 'born-from-above' talk?" 5-6 Jesus said, "You're not listening. Let me say it again. Unless a person submits to this original creation—the 'wind-hovering-over-the-water' creation, the invisible moving the visible, a baptism into a new life—it's not possible to enter God's kingdom. When you look at a baby, it's just that: a body you can look at and touch. But the person who takes shape within is formed by something you can't see and touch—the Spirit—and becomes a living spirit. 7-8 "So don't be so surprised when I tell you that you have to be 'born from above'—out of this world, so to speak. You know well enough how the wind blows this way and that. You hear it rustling through the trees, but you have no idea where it comes from or where it's headed next. That's the way it is with everyone 'born from above' by the wind of God, the Spirit of God."

Think of a time or times when you have stood out from your upbringing. How do you feel about these experiences?

THANK YOU FOR ADDING CANNED GOODS TO THE BOXES PROVIDED BY THE DEACONS FOR THE ST. JAMES FOOD LOCKER. We will continue quantity shopping for the Food Bank beginning this month. Finally, the monetary contributions will be available for any community emergency needs that come to the attention of the Calvary Staff and the Board of Deacons and needs that come to the attention of MEC Caring Friends for Egyptian Christian refugees. If you have any questions, contact any Deacon or Nathana Schooler at nathana.schooler@gmail.com.

DELIVERY! SINCE SEPTEMBER, SIP 'N STITCH has delivered 120 blankets to Door of Hope, Acts of Kindness, Haven House, and Elizabeth House. Thank you so much for your support and donations from Mission Market. Anyone is welcome to come and be with us every Saturday morning from 9am-12pm!

SOUTH PASADENA LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERIES, DINNERS & SIMPLE PRAYER: If you are able to help serve on March 16th when Calvary hosts, please contact Holly Bruce, 626-799-9014.

Please note, the schedule has changed!

- Sunday, March 16 – Calvary Presbyterian Church, 6pm
Sunday, March 23 – St. James, 5pm
Sunday, March 30- South Pasadena Assembly of God, 5pm
Sunday, April 6- Oneonta Congregational, 5pm
Sunday, April 13- Passion/Palm Sunday: Holy Family, 7pm

CALVARY COURIER

March 16- 23, 2014

TO OUR MEMBERS, FRIENDS, AND VISITORS we extend a warm welcome. Please let us know of your attendance this morning by completing the "Welcome to Calvary Presbyterian Church" card located in the pew. If you have a prayer request or hymn request, please let us know by completing the "Prayer Request" section. If you want your prayer request lifted up during our Prayers of Petition and Intercession this morning, please give the card to Pastor Rex during the Passing of the Peace. If not, please place the completed card in the offering plate as it is circulated.



HEARING ASSISTANCE RECEIVERS are available from our ushers. Please be sure to return it to the ushers following worship.

THANK YOU to our Ushers, Greeters, Acolytes, and worship service leaders who assisted with today's service. Our greeters today are Richard and Cora Freeman. Our Ushers are Orville Houg, Ken Whitehead, and Conrad von Bibra. Our Acolytes are Mez & Mal Zabel, Ethan Ho, and Lucy Callahan. Our worship service leaders are the Rev. Millason Dailey and the Rev. Dr. Rex McDaniel.

WE REMEMBER THIS MORNING Patricia Hohnsbeen at 1210 Pine Street, South Pasadena, CA 91030.

COFFEE HOUR the 10 A.M. Traditional Service needs volunteer hosts for the New Year. Please sign the bulletin board outside the office for the Sunday you are available or contact LornaVenkataraman or Grace Legaspi.

THE CHIMES were given in memory of Jan Wetzel by his family and friends.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS are given by Peggy Tutor and Bill Robertson in appreciation of Mike Wilson and the choir.

THE SEE'S CANDY FUNDRAISER to benefit Calvary Angel Families is coming! You can pick up an order form from the Welcome Table. Orders are due April 6th and delivery is April 13th.

CARING TOGETHER If you have something weighing heavily on your spirit -- a health problem, a sadness, or anything else-- we invite you to come to our weekly meeting "Caring Together." Please contact E.J. Lugo for details at (626) 282-6002. Caring together will meet next this Tuesday, March 18th, at 10:30 a.m. in the North Parlor.

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NOTE: CALVARY'S EMAIL is cpc.southpas@gmail.com. Please use this email address to contact the church office for any questions, concerns, or needs.

YOU'RE INVITED by Jane Walker, Director of San Marino Community Church Nursery School to a presentation called "Cultivating Self Reliance". On Tuesday, March 25th at 7 p.m., San Marino Community Church is hosting an evening with the renowned Betsy Brown Braun. Betsy is a nationally recognized child development and behavior specialist, a parent educator, and an award-winning author. Hailed by the New York Times as a "parenting guru", Braun's down-to-earth advice, delivered with humor, is derived from her expertise working with thousands of children (from toddlers to teens) and parents for over three decades. Free to the public! Event meets in the Fellowship Hall, and babysitting is available for \$10.00. For more information, contact Jane Walker at 626-282-4186.

NEW TIME FOR PRAYER MOMENT FELLOWSHIP! "Pray without ceasing" we are told, so let's do it with friends! Prayer Moment Fellowship now meets once a month, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month, immediately prior to the Deacons' meeting. We will be faithful about closing sharply at 7:00 so that interested Deacons may attend both meetings. As for all the rest of us non-Deacons, come with your prayers for your family, and friends, and for our church and our world. We all need each other. Please contact Lorna Venkataraman with any questions.

TO ALL CALVARY'S WOMEN AND THEIR FRIENDS: You are warmly invited to be part of our Inspired Living Fellowship! There are two sections, and everyone is welcome to come to either or both.

One Inspired Living Women's group meets on Tuesdays at 7 P.M. at the home of Elizabeth von Bibra. The next meeting is on Tuesday, the 18th.

The other meets in the church library on Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. and is currently studying the Gospel of Luke. Please contact Margot Cameron at (626) 793-2929 for further information. The next meeting is on Friday, the 21st.

Both groups are informal and filled with friendship and truly welcome those who have little or no knowledge of the Bible, as well as those who have more.

MUSIC@NOON | FRIDAYS Each Friday a **FREE** 30-minute concert in our Sanctuary is presented, featuring a local artist or ensemble. Lunch (\$3) after in South Parlor offers a time to visit with each other, meet new friends, and to greet the performer or performers. Contact Mike Wilson at mikewilson10@yahoo.com with any questions. Come. Share. Enjoy.

Upcoming Performers:

3/21/2014 Etienne Gara, Violin - Part II
 3/28/2014 To be announced
 4/04/2014 Mark Robson, Piano / Violin
 4/11/2014 Joel Nesvada, Baritone
 4/18/2014 To be announced
 4/25/2014 To be announced
 5/02/2014 Maksim Velichkin, Piano/Cello



CALVARY CALENDAR
 March 16- March 23, 2014

TODAY, SUNDAY 3/16/14

8:45 a.m. CHOIR - Chancel Choir Loft
 10:00 a.m. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP- Sanctuary
 11:00 a.m. INFORMAL WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall
 12:30 a.m. SESSION MEETING- South Parlor
 1:15 p.m. MEC WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall
 3:00 p.m. STRIKERS- South Parlor
 4:00 p.m. COMMUNITY CHOIR CONCERT, MESSIAH II & III- Sanctuary
 6:00 p.m. LENTEN DINNER & PRAYER- Fellowship Hall
 7:30 p.m. LUTHERAN BIBLE STUDY- South Parlor

MONDAY 3/17/14

2:30 p.m. WORSHIP PLANNING MEETING- South Parlor
 5:00 p.m. GIRL SCOUTS- Fellowship Hall
 7:00 p.m. MEC WORSHIP PRACTICE- Sanctuary
 7:00 p.m. BOY SCOUTS- Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY 3/18/14

10:00 a.m. PRESCHOOL CHAPEL- Sanctuary
 10:30 a.m. CARING TOGETHER SUPPORT GROUP- North Parlor
 7:00 p.m. TOASTMASTERS- Fellowship Hall
 7:00 p.m. INSPIRED LIVING WOMEN'S GROUP- Home of Elizabeth von Bibra

WEDNESDAY 3/19/14

10:00 a.m. PRESCHOOL CHAPEL- Sanctuary
 10:30 a.m. MEN'S GROUP PAPER TIGERS- South Parlor
 11:00 a.m. KIWANIS- Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. PRAYER MOMENT FELLOWSHIP- Library
 7:00 p.m. DEACONS MEETING- South Parlor

THURSDAY 3/20/14

9:00 a.m. MISSION HOSPICE- Fellowship Hall
 9:00 a.m. MOMS PRAYER MEETING- B3, B10
 4:00 p.m. MISSION HOSPICE- South Parlor
 7:30 p.m. CHOIR REHEARSAL- Sanctuary
 7:45 p.m. AL-ANON- Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY 3/21/14

8:30 a.m. MOMS IN TOUCH INTERNATIONAL- B3, B10
 10:00 a.m. INSPIRED LIVING WOMEN'S GROUP- Library
 12:00 p.m. MUSIC AT NOON-Sanctuary
 3:30 p.m. SOUTH PASADENA STRINGS- Fellowship Hall
 6:30 p.m. MEC REVIVAL MEETING- B10, Sanctuary, South Parlor, Upstairs Classrooms
 7:30 p.m. MEC TEAM AWESOME- South Parlor

SATURDAY 3/22/14

9:00 a.m. SIP N' STITCH - B6
 9:00 a.m. WORKSHOP- South Parlor
 6:30 p.m. MEC REVIVAL MEETING- B10, Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, Upstairs Classrooms

SUNDAY 3/23/14

8:45 a.m. CHOIR - Chancel Choir Loft
 10:00 a.m. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP- Sanctuary
 11:00 a.m. INFORMAL WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall
 12:00 p.m. COMBINED YOUTH WORSHIP- Youth Lounge
 12:30 p.m. MEC REVIVAL MEETING- Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, B10, Upstairs Classrooms

**THIS WEEK AT CALVARY:
 BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES!**

BIRTHDAYS

Jakob Dubé 3/18
 Chelsea Reynolds 3/18
 Pat Castellano 3/18

ANNIVERSARIES

Richard and Claire Roche 3/20
 Bob and Diane Wilken 3/20