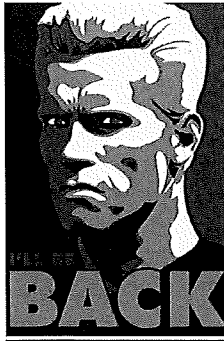


March 2021

## *Church Life*

- If you are a guest with us today, we want to **WELCOME** you! If you haven't done so already, we invite you to stop by our Guest Reception Center in the lobby following the service. Someone will greet you, answer any questions you may have, and give you a gift as a thank-you for worshipping with us today!
- We have a **SPECIAL SERVICE** coming up on Thursday, April 1! Andrew Barron from JewsforJesus.org will be sharing a special message with us on the meaning of Christ in the Passover. Hear from this Jewish man who found Jesus later in life and watch him bring the symbolism of Passover to life! This service will be at **Ebenezer Reformed Church** during our regular Thursday service at 6:30 pm.
- **ATTENTION** All Israel Trip Participants: Due to COVID, we will postpone the trip scheduled for May of 2021. The new dates for the trip are November 9-19, 2021. We will continue to monitor the situation both here in the US and Israel as we move forward. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Bob at bob@gracechapelzeeland.com
- Are you finding yourself in an **unexpected pregnancy** and feeling scared? Do you feel like you have no one you can turn to for help? Here at Grace Chapel, we have a team of people trained to talk with you, listen to you, and give you support and encouragement. We don't want you to feel alone as you think about being pregnant and can't think of anyone to talk to about it. We would love to have you connect with us! You can reach the **Life Team** by calling the church at 616-741-0032 and then press option 6, or you can email our team at lifeteam@gracechapelzeeland.com. You will get a confidential response from a team member.
- Men, mark your calendars for **6:30 pm Tuesday evenings (every other Tuesday)** for a time of learning from God's word and sharing with other men at Grace. We will be using the RightNow Media study, "**Be a Godly Man**" by Joby Martin. Bring a friend if you like, and come to be encouraged, challenged, and inspired by how God is changing men's lives through Christ. Dates to save are **March 23, April 6, 20, May 4, 18, and June 1**. (It's ok if you can't attend every session - but even better if you can!) Contact Pastor John for more information john@gracechapelzeeland.com
- **Ladies!** Please join us on Saturday, April 17, from 2 to 4 pm at Grace Chapel for a fun spring floral arranging event! You will learn how to arrange seasonal flowers and leave with a beautiful vase of your own! The cost to participate is \$30 and is due by April 11. Space is limited to 50 people. Sign up or pay at the scooter table. We hope to see you there!



**March 21 2021**

**READ: Luke 23: 44-49**

1. The Bible says the sun suddenly disappeared and the world went dark. So the logical question is: Can that be confirmed? What did you learn about this in the sermon? Any surprises?
2. This is the link to all kinds of FACTS: You may want to take a minute to look this up. Discuss it if you choose to.

<https://oxfordbiblechurch.co.uk/index.php/teachings/end-time-prophecy/763-the-day-the-sun-stopped-shining>

3. What do we learn from the passage we just read?
4. Modern critics dispute if Jesus did raise up from the dead, by claiming He never died in the first place. How would you answer this dispute?

**READ: John 19:31-37**

5. Discuss what happens when we stubbornly refuse to see truth.
6. What do we do when something in our life does NOT align with the Bible and God's design? Do we change it or our behavior or continue on the same path?
7. The Jews should have known, perhaps many did know who Jesus truly was, but chose to overlook everything He said, why would they do that? Change is hard, so perhaps they did not want to accept the change Jesus brought. Are we any different?
8. When you consider that all sin is equal in the eyes of God what would you say to the Jew who screamed crucify Him?
9. In what ways might we have a worse sin issues than they did. Discuss this.

*A Quote from Pastor Adam... Remember what I said before. Jesus' tomb was guarded under the penalty of DEATH if anything happened. But not only is the tomb guarded. His tomb is sealed, so that ANYONE could see if it was broken into clear as day. Bear in mind what this means. It means the Jewish leaders saw Jesus die. They saw Jesus buried. They saw the stone rolled in front of the tomb. They saw a day later everything was still the way they left it. They then sealed the tomb. They then posted guards. They then sat back because they KNEW that they had NOTHING to worry about now. Jesus was dead. Jesus was gone. Jesus' movement had ended. The leaders had their power back. Their threat was ended. But Jesus said he would be back in three days! And He was...*

**READ: John 19:38-42**

10. Is there anything in the end of this passage that gives us more insight?

**READ: Matthew 27:61-66**

11. What else do we learn from this passage?

**READ: Mark 14:56-59**

12. Mark tells us that the witnesses against Jesus got their stories crossed and contradicted each other. What happens here?
13. What did Jesus say that started this rumor? (see John 2)
14. With the time remaining discuss the video: Spoken Word.