

Surviving Babylon: Lessons from Exile

Daniel 9:3-19 - Sin, Prayer, and Repentance

Context:

Daniel, reading the prophecies of Jeremiah, understands the 70 years of exile in Babylon is coming to an end.

He comes before the LORD engaging in heartfelt confession and repentance on behalf of the nation of Israel.

The _____ of Daniel’s prayer (v 3)

- He _____.
- He prayed with _____.
- He prayed with _____.

The _____ of Daniel’s prayer (v 4-18)

Confession of _____ concerning God (v 4)

Who is this Yahweh?

One simple question: **What was Daniel’s confession about his God?**

Acknowledgement of _____ against God (v 5-15)

- God’s people had _____ veered off God’s path.
- They were to be _____ of the God that they say they loved and served.
- God’s response to their sin?**
- When God calls a people to _____, it is a call to _____.

Petition of _____ and _____ from God (v 16-18)

- The basis for Daniel’s pleas for mercy was the _____ of God.
- We are totally _____ on the LORD to act, to restore, and give mercy and show grace.

Intended _____ of Daniel’s Prayer (v 19)

- The main conclusion in Daniel’s prayer is for God’s name to be _____.
- We are God’s _____, called by His _____, to make His name _____ among the nations!

How do we do this? By...

Lesson 4: I (we) must be _____ to call on God for mercy and forgiveness in _____ and appeal to others to do the same.

Sunday Night Family Service

Our next Sunday Night Family Service is August 6, 5-6pm, in the Sanctuary. Beginning Sunday, September 10, our Sunday Family Night service will meet every week from 5-6pm in the Sanctuary.

enAble Volunteers Needed

enAble Ministry helps those with physical and mental disabilities. We offer a Sunday rotation schedule and we have respite care night once a month. Contact the church office if you would like to help or for more information.

Spring 2024 Holy Land Tour

Our Summer of 2024 Holy Land experience for high school students and parents has filled up! But even more people have expressed interest in going! So, we are considering offering another opportunity in the Spring of 24! The potential dates would be April 2-11. If you are interested, contact paul@calvarydothan.com ASAP and additional information will be sent to you.

Registration Open for CrossCon24
January 3-5, 2024 | Louisville, KY | 18-25 year olds | \$195
Deadline to register is August 28.

Calvary Kids Volunteers

Calvary kids is assembling our 2023-24 volunteer staff for ministry beginning in August. There are multiple openings for positions on Sundays and Wednesdays. Let us introduce you to these extraordinary opportunities. Email: zach@calvarydothan.com or call/text: 334.733.6326

Life Group Promotion Sunday

All preschool, children and student Life Groups will promote to their new class on Sunday, August 6.

Join us for our Christmas Reveal party!

The worship ministry is looking for singers, musicians, tech team, and handbell players. We invite anyone interested in joining the worship ministry to attend this time of fellowship. We will listen to our upcoming Christmas music and fellowship together. Whether you are a part of, or interested in joining the worship ministry, join us on Wednesday, August 9, 7-8:30pm in the Parlor. We ask that you bring your favorite dessert and make it “Christmassy”!

Fall Open Class Schedule
Sunday Mornings (September 10-November 26) | 8:30am

- Meaningful Membership** | 4 weeks | Teachers: Paul Thompson, Charles Uptain & Dan Tankersley
- New Testament 1** | Teachers: Tim Gannon & Joseph Parden
- Biblical Theology** | Teachers: Don Mills & Tyler Campbell
- Parenthood** | Teachers: David Glover & Charles Uptain
- Counseling as Discipleship** | Teachers: Reagan Farris & Steven Wilson
- Women’s Open Class: Romans** | Teachers: Lynn Forrester & Jamie Perry

Wednesday Evenings (September 6-November 29; no classes Nov. 22) | 6pm

- Parenthood** | Teachers: Sam Tarwater & Jed Downs
- Systematic Theology 1** | Teachers: Paul Thompson & Charles Uptain
- How to Grow** | Teacher: Dan Tankersley
- Women’s Open Class: Romans** | Teachers: Lynn Forrester & Jamie Perry
- Men’s Open Class: Pure Desires** | Teachers: Ian Worrell & Chuck Arney

Corporate worship – that time and space where the church gathers to worship God – isn’t meant to be a spectator sport where people come to take their seats in the stands to be entertained with singing and a funny, relevant message. Unfortunately, too many people attend church like they attend their favorite sports game: as season ticket holders to a spectator sport. But like baseball [or any sport], corporate worship is meant for participating, not spectating.

Various churches have attempted to make corporate worship more participatory...The desire to help congregants participate in corporate worship is a good desire. That said, [many times] these attempts miss the purpose of our corporate gathering.

We gather to meet with God together. God always intended that we would know him better through our engagement with others, but we don’t want our engagement with others to eclipse engaging with God. So it’s crucial that God’s Word remain central to our gathering. We hear the Word preached, sang, and read. And in response, we **pray**. We gather to meet with him together in large part through **prayers** that are responses to his Word.

-taken from John Onwuchekwa’s book *Prayer: How Praying Together Shapes the Church*.

English as a Second Language
Begins August 9 | 6pm | Room 003 below the Sanctuary

Calvary’s ESL class meets every Wednesday night and has experienced teachers who teach 3 different levels of classes: beginner, intermediate, and advanced. There is no cost for the class and childcare is available. Please share this information with anyone you know who might be interested. For more information, contact Louise Garrett, 334.333.2327.

Enable Volunteers Needed

Enable is a ministry that ministers to children with special needs. Volunteers are needed on Sunday mornings once a quarter from 10am-11:15am and on the first Thursday of every month from 5:30-8pm. If you are interested please contact Emily Shiver at 334-596-4594.

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

My Decision Today:

- I trusted Jesus as Savior.
- I’d like to join Calvary Baptist Church.
- I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.
- Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pastors & Prayer Team Only
- Churchwide

Connect Card

July 30, 2023

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate, or in the boxes by the exits.

- Please update my information
- Please contact me about membership

I am a:

- First Time Guest
- Attender
- Member

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State/Zip _____

Male Female

Married Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy) _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Spouse _____

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy) _____

Children:

Name / Date of Birth _____

Name / Date of Birth _____

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Name / Date of Birth _____

Please complete the additional information on the back of this tab, if applicable.

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July Missions Spotlight

Moses O. Odhiambo, Echoes of Mercy Mission (Global Missions Partner)

Echoes of Mercy exists to evangelize and disciple others through church planting and leadership, as well as through a number of mercy ministries including widow care, education, and healthcare. If you would like to learn more about the ministry work of Echoes of Mercy, visit facebook.com/eomkenya or echoesofmercy.org.

The Harbor (Local Missions Partner)

The Harbor's mission is to transform the heart of Dothan through the transforming love and power of Jesus. The Scriptures are their guide as they seek to serve all those in need, physically and spiritually. If you would like to learn more about the ministry work at The Harbor, you can visit theharbordothan.org or visit facebook.com/theharbordothan. Prayer needs for The Harbor can be found on prayer cards at the mission's kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

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THE PEOPLE CAME...

July 23

Life Group: 482
10:00 Worship: 581
Hispanic Church: 107
Neighborhood Church (NY): 25

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given July 23: \$48,414.71
Y-T-D Budget
Surplus (Deficit): (\$131,013.16)

5-DAY BIBLE READING PROGRAM

Week 31, July 30-August 5

- Jonah; Matthew 11
- 2 Kings 13-14; 2 Chr 25; Ps 53; Matt 12
- Amos; 1-3; Matt 13
- Amos 4-6; Psalm 55; Matt 14
- Amos 7-9; Matt 15

Midweek Schedule

6:00pm Midweek Worship, Sanctuary
Preschool, Birth-K5, Preschool Building
Children, Grades 1-5, Kids Worship Room
Students, Grades 6-12, Student Room

I'm New Here



We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church.

To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code or you can fill out the Connect Card in this bulletin and place it in the offering plate or in one of the offering boxes when you exit the Fellowship Center.

Also, be sure to stop by our Next Steps table after the service for a gift from us!

How to Become a Christian

Want more information about how to become a Christian? Go to calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/.

If you would like to view a pdf of today's sermon notes, go to calvarydothan.com/messages.

Ministry Staff

Paul Thompson.....Senior Pastor
Charles Uptain.....Executive Pastor
Dan Tankersley.....Discipleship
Patrick Lima.....Worship
Tommy Perry.....Missions

STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, July 30:

Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791

Saturday, August 6:

Randy Hunt | 334-791-7986

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SERMON SCHEDULE

August 2 | 6pm

The Cloud and the Glory

Exodus 40

Message by Charles Uptain

Sunday, August 6 | 10am

A Biblically Shaped Life: Burn Brightly

2 Timothy 1:1-7

Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00am Call to Prayer, Parlor

8:30am Life Group/Open Classes

10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center

Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5,

Chapel (except 1st Sunday)

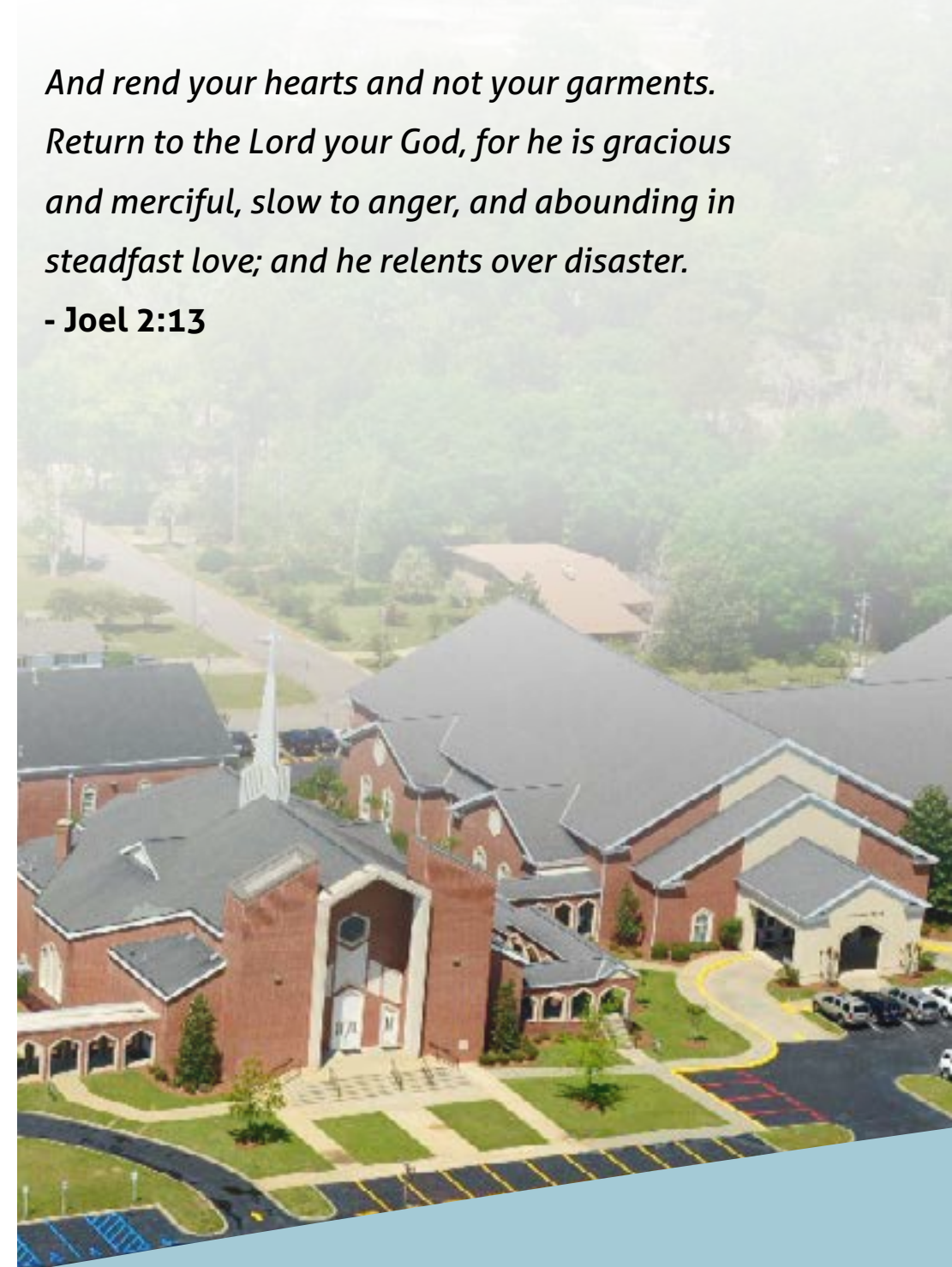
11:00am Worship Broadcast on JoyFM

94.3/96.1 with a 1 wk delay.

And rend your hearts and not your garments.

Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

- Joel 2:13



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BAPTIST CHURCH