

BRINGING GOD'S HIDDEN TREASURE INTO THE LIGHT

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Our Mission - To Bring God's Hidden Treasure Into The Light

NEW TO CAMBRIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH?

If you are visiting for the first time, we say kia ora and a very warm WELCOME to you. As you worship with us we trust that you will feel at home, but more than that, to know the presence of God has touched your life through the worship and the Word. It is our intention to provide you with a loving environment, where people are encouraged in their journey of faith. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee after

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. How has this message changed your perspective on calamity? Discuss
2. Discuss the failure of idols as a means that God uses to reach out to mankind
3. What causes human beings to maintain their trust in idols even when these fail them?
4. What vital change is necessary before we will truly transfer our trust to God?
5. Share some idols that you personally may still be clinging to.

Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9 am to 1 pm

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BIBLE REFERENCES (NIV)

Exodus 5:2 Pharaoh said, "Who is the Lord, that I should obey him and let Israel go? I do not know the Lord and I will not let Israel go."

Jonah 2:8 Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs.

Jeremiah 2:13 "My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water."

Jeremiah 10:5 Like a scarecrow in a cucumber field, their idols cannot speak; they must be carried because they cannot walk. Do not fear them; they can do no harm nor can they do any good.

Ezekiel 37:11 Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the people of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off'"

Isaiah 44:19-20 No one stops to think, no one has the knowledge or understanding to say, "Half of it I used for fuel; I even baked bread over its coals, I roasted meat and I ate. Shall I make a detestable thing from what is left? Shall I bow down to a block of wood?" Such a person feeds on ashes; a deluded heart misleads him; he cannot save himself, or say, "Is not this thing in my right hand a lie?"

Philippians 3:7-8 But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ.

Revelation 9:18-20 A third of mankind was killed by the three plagues of fire, smoke and sulfur that came out of their mouths. The power of the horses was in their mouths and in their tails; for their tails were like snakes, having heads with which they inflict injury. The rest of mankind who were not killed by these plagues still did not repent of the work of their hands; they did not stop worshiping demons, and idols of gold, silver, bronze, stone and wood—idols that cannot see or hear or walk.

What's on and Where's it Happening

MMM WORKING BEE - one week down, two to go! And what a huge amount of work has taken place already! The front of the Church is looking amazing! Apparently the ladies all love the new colours, whilst the men are still getting used to it! Please feel free to come down and volunteer during the next couple of weeks - either for painting or serving morning & afternoon teas & lunch. Please speak to John Langhorn if you need any further information.

CHURCH AGM - will be held on Sunday 22nd November at 1pm. There will be a shared lunch directly after the second service at approx 12pm. Please bring a plate.

- We will be looking to appoint new elders at the AGM. If you have a nomination for eldership please send it to the office: cambap@xtra.co.nz by Friday 13th November at 9am. Peter Millais has also completed a 3 year term. Peter is willing to stand again as per the constitution so we will also be voting on that nomination.
- Any topics for discussion need to be sent in writing to the elders no less than 7 days before the AGM
- Any motions to be voted on need to be submitted to the eldership team in writing not less than 7 days before the AGM

SEARCH TEAM UPDATE - results of the survey will be shared in both services this morning. The team are looking to advertise for a new Pastor by mid December, with a closing date by end January.

PRAYER AND SELF DENIAL - the amount collected was \$3 484.50. Thank you to all who contributed.

NOTES FOR NEPAL - if you have foreign cash or coins then please consider giving it to International Nepal Fellowship in order to support their medical work in Nepal. INF is a Christian mission that has been working in Nepal for over 67 years. We will have a basket at the front of the church for this on the 8th and 15th November.

BOWLS - has finished up for the year and will start again early next year - date to be advised.

WOMEN'S WALKING & COFFEE GROUP - are you wanting to get to know more CBC women? We invite you to join us every Wednesday at 10am for coffee at the Coffee Club or if you would like some fresh air beforehand - we meet at the carpark at Lake Te Koutu at 9.30am, for a walk around the lake and up the steps to the Coffee Club. Contact Ann 021 155 2023 or Dee 027 899 1057 for more info.

HOMEGROUPS - we would love to welcome you into a homegroup. For details, please contact Ross Porter - phone 827 5918 or call into the office for a booklet.

TITHING - the bank account number, for those who would like to pay online is: 02 0300 0014711 00. Please make sure to include your tithing number in the reference