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THE REMINDER

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Message from the Pastor's Desk

Seven Things That Can Stop Revitalization

This past Sunday we began showing a series of video tapes by Thom Rainer. This video tape consultation is called *Four Steps to Revitalize Your Church*. In that first session (or consultation), we followed Dr. Rainer as he shared some tips for success in this consultation. Among those steps are...

Pray

Be practical and take it slowly

Get other leaders/members involved

Remember that revitalization is a process (it takes time)

Module 2 was shown Wednesday, April 10, evening at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary and will be shown again Sunday morning at 9:30 AM in the FLC. I will lead the Wednesday evening session and Rick Foster will lead the Sunday morning session.

In Module 2 Dr. Rainer will discuss *Seven Things That Can Stop You From Leading Revitalization*. Among them are...

Spiritual discipline diversion

Main thing Diversion

Lack of Hope and Faith

Not willing to work and execute

Dr. Rainer closes this session with a warning... short term perspectives are death to revitalization.

Join us as we work our way through this session (consultation) with Dr. Rainer.

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Schedule for viewing Thom Rainer Videos on Church Revitalization

Date	Session Number	Topic
April 7, 2019	1	Some Tips for Success from This Consultation
April 10 & 14, 2019	2	Seven Things That Can Stop You from Leading Revitalization
April 17 & 21, 2019	Break	No sessions due to Spring Break in Yadkin County Schools and Easter Sunday
April 24 & 28, 2019	3	Seven Ways to Deal with Critics
May 1 & 5, 2019	4	The Four-Legged Stool to Revitalization
May 8 & 12, 2019	5	The Awesome Power of a High Expectation Church
May 15 & 19, 2019	6	Ten Examples of Raising Expectations in Your Church
May 22 & 26, 2019	7	Simple Church and Revitalization
May 29 & June 2, 2019	8	Clarity and Movement
June 5 & 9, 2019	9	Alignment and Focus
June 12 & 16, 2019	10	Revitalization & Outward Focus
June 19 & 23, 2019	11	10 Practical Examples of Outward Focus
June 26 & 30, 2019	12	Relational Skills of the Leaders
July 3 & 7, 2019	13	Leadership Skills
July 10 & 14, 2019	14	A Checklist for Revitalization (1)
July 17 & 21, 2019	15	A Checklist for Revitalization (2)

This past Sunday, April 7, we saw the first module of Thom Rainer's videos relating to the revitalization of a church. Beginning Wednesday evening, April 10, we will have the opportunity to see more of these videos with each session being shown first on Wednesday evening in the sanctuary at 7 PM then again during the Sunday School hour on Sunday morning in the Family Life Center at 9:30 AM. No one is required to view these videos but everyone is encouraged to.

If you wish to watch them but are unable to be at the church during one of these times, you may check out a DVD or CD from the church office during normal office hours. You may also watch a session in the church library during normal office hours.

March 31	Attendance	62	Offering	\$4,861.00	Building Fund	\$1,720.00
April 7	Attendance	62	Offering	\$4,201.00	Building Fund	\$1,113.00

April 14	Deacon:	David Shore	Prayer Partners:	Robin Vann
April 21	Deacon:	Mary Lynn Vestal	Prayer Partners:	Glenn Baldwin

Palm Sunday

Biblical basis and symbolism

In the accounts of the four canonical Gospels, Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem takes place a week before his resurrection. Only the Gospel of John shows a timeline of the event, dated six days before the Passover (John 12:1).

Before this, Jesus talked to two of his disciples, taking to himself the ancient Greek word of Lord written with a capital letter in the original text, as a proper noun.

Christian theologians believe that the symbolism is captured prophetically in the Old Testament: Zechariah 9:9 "The Coming of Zion's King – See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey", which is quoted in the Gospels. It suggests that Jesus was declaring he was the King of Israel, to the anger of the Sanhedrin.

According to the Gospels, Jesus Christ rode a donkey into Jerusalem, and the celebrating people there laid down their cloaks and small branches of trees in front of him, singing part of Psalm 118: 25–26 – Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The symbolism of the donkey may refer to the Eastern tradition that it is an animal of peace, unlike the horse which is the animal of war. A king would have ridden a horse when he was bent on war and ridden a donkey to symbolize his arrival in peace. Jesus' entry to Jerusalem would have thus symbolized his entry as the Prince of Peace, not as a war-waging king. Thus there have been two different meanings (or more levels of biblical hermeneutics): an historical meaning, truly happening according to the Gospels, and a secondary meaning in the symbolism.

In Luke 19:41 as Jesus approaches Jerusalem, he looks at the city and weeps over it (an event known as *Flevit super illam* in Latin), foretelling his coming Passion and the suffering that awaits the city in the events of the destruction of the Second Temple.

In ancient times, palm branches symbolized goodness and victory. They were often depicted on coins and important buildings. Solomon had palm branches carved into the walls and doors of the temple (1 Kings 6:29). Again at the end of the Bible, people from every nation raise palm branches to honor Jesus (Revelation 7:9).

Palm Sunday commemorates the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1–9), when palm branches were placed in his path, before his arrest on Holy Thursday and his crucifixion on Good Friday. It thus marks the beginning of Holy Week, the final week of Lent.

Dates to Remember

- April 28 The Children's Choir will sing during morning worship
- May 7 Port-a-Pit Chicken Fundraiser for Yadkin Christian Ministries sponsored by Frieda Speer Missions Group
- May 19 We will recognize college and high school graduates and those who are moving from middle school to high school

Schedule for Easter Sunday

- 7:00 AM Son Rise Service (Breakfast biscuits, juice & coffee)
- 9:30 AM No Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Worship

Face of a Child—2019

If you would like to participate in FOACP 2019, you may make a contribution through Boonville Baptist Church and the church will issue one check to Little Samaritan Mission. The deadline for FOACP participation is May 1, 2019. In October 2019 Little Samaritan Mission will distribute the FOACP bags and a distribution report and postcard of the distribution will follow.



Baptist Children's Homes Food Roundup, April 2019

We have found that sending gift cards from Walmart, Sam's Club, Food Lion, Kroger, etc. works better because the Children's Home can take these and purchase whatever supplies they need at the time. If you wish to participate in this effort, please turn your gift card in to the church office by the end of April and they will all be mailed at the same time.

You are invited to celebrate two events with Yadkin Christian Ministries during April 2019

- Please come to the Open House at East Bend's new facility, (address 118 E NC Hwy, BYP), to celebrate the food pantry move. The open house will be on Sunday, April 14th from 2:00—4:00 pm at the East Bend location of Yadkin Christian Ministries.
- Cheryl Nehnevajsa has chosen to resign as the director of Yadkin Christian Ministries. Her last day is April 18th. We invite you to come and thank her and her husband, Pete, for their service to the ministry. The reception for her and Pete is on Thursday, April 18th from 1:00—3:00 pm with a brief presentation at 1:30 pm at the Yadkinville location of Yadkin Christian Ministries.

We hope to see you at these two events!