

# SERMON NOTES/QUESTIONS

## WELCOME VISITORS: DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Please take a minute to fill out this form and put it in the offering bag or in the blue boxes on the wall at the back.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ PC: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Invited to Chapel by: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a visit? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to be added to our email prayer chain? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have moved please fill out the above for a change of address.

## COMMENTS, REQUESTS OR PRAYER NEEDS:

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I would like my prayer request on Oaklands email prayer chain.

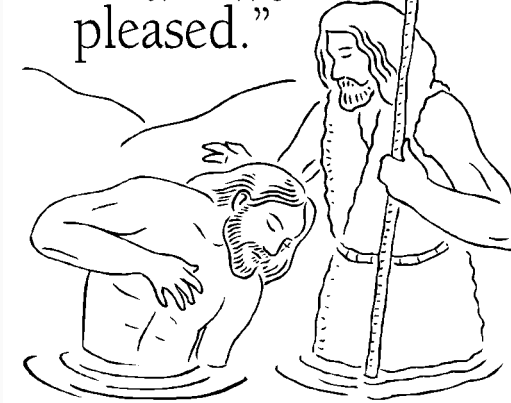
*Luke 3:21-38 The Commissioning of Jesus: Divine Approval; Eternal Heritage* Speaker: Phil Horton

1. Read Luke 3:21-22 and compare it with Matt. 3:13-17. Talk about your understanding regarding WHY Jesus is baptized by John. In what way does it breathe new life into the meaning / purpose of baptism?
2. Luke records that Jesus is praying following His baptism at the time when the Spirit comes upon Him. Find other examples in Luke where Jesus prays at significant moments in his life. If Jesus prayed at such times, what should we learn for our own experience?
3. All 3 Persons of the Trinity are involved in this momentous experience. Talk about the significance of how each Person is presented: Jesus in bodily form, praying; the Spirit as a dove; the Father in voice. What is the tone of the scene as Luke presents it to us and how does it heighten the sense of awe at this inauguration of Jesus' public ministry?
4. If someone is brave, have them read 23-38. I. Howard Marshall suggests that *"the point of the genealogy is... to show that Jesus has his place in the human race created by God. The fact that the genealogy is carried back to Adam, as the son of God, may perhaps point a contrast between this disobedient son of God and the obedient Son of God, Jesus."*<sup>1</sup> Talk about how you see this genealogical record adding further credence and weight to Luke's presentation of Jesus at the beginning of His public ministry.
5. In what ways do these verses in Luke's account help to increase your confidence in the identity of Jesus? What difference does this make in the way you might be willing to talk about Him to your friends, family and co-workers?

<sup>1</sup>I. Howard Marshall, *The Gospel of Luke*, (Grand Rapids, Michigan: The Paternoster Press, 1978), 161.

And a voice came from heaven:

"You are my Son,  
whom I love;  
with you I  
am well  
pleased."



L u k e 3 : 2 2

Our Teaching Series  
in Luke  
**"Discovering the  
Central Character  
of Salvation  
History: Walking  
beside Jesus for a  
while..."**

Today

**JANUARY 25, 2009**

**10:00 am - Family Service with Communion**

*Luke 3:21-38 The Commissioning of Jesus: Divine Approval;*

*Eternal Heritage*

Speaker: Phil Horton

Babysitting available, classes for Toddler – Grade 12 & ESL

**After the service** – stay for coffee and enjoy our library

**12:00 pm - Student Lunch**

**7:00 pm - Jamie McIntosh, Canadian Director of the International**

**Justice Mission.** Plan to come along and be challenged by the work of this good organization.



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**WELCOME TO OAKLANDS CHAPEL!** *We are delighted to have you worship with us today. If Victoria is your home, we would love to have you become a regular member of our fellowship. Please join us for coffee or tea after the service. If you have any special needs or requests please share this with one of the greeters or other members of the congregation. Or contact the office -Monday - Friday from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm @ 250-595-1411.*

### AT A GLANCE:

**NEXT SUNDAY FEB 1: 10 am** Family Service with Communion  
Luke 4:1-13 Final Preparation: the Temptation Speaker: Daniel McDougall  
**3 pm** Carlton House Service

Feb 5 - 7pm: Truth Project video series begins at Phil & Barb's place. Contact them by phone or email if you would like to attend.

**Feb 15** Plan on staying after the service for our **Family Fellowship Valentine Lunch with a short Congregational Meeting** where we will be asking the congregation to affirm the appointment of 3 new leadership team members. See their profiles on the tear off sheet to the right.

**Feb 20-22 Women's Winter Weekend** - Pick up a registration brochure in the foyer. A weekend with girlfriends - what could be better!!!! It is filling up fast **so register now.**

**June 5-7** - Mark this date on your calendar for **Oaklands Family Camp.**

### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

**LOST AND FOUND** - Please check by the Cedar Hill Door for any items you have may left in the chapel lately. Everything currently there will be given to Goodwill at the end of January if not claimed.

If you are **storing something in the Fernwood House** please let Clint know as we are will be dumping most items after February 10.

**Our food supply to help out those less fortunate is quite low.** Please bring any donations and put them in the bin in the foyer.

We need **sponsorship for 2 kids to go to Camp Imadene** this summer at a cost of \$365 each. A donation for any or all of this amount would help.

We want change **our prayer room** to make it more prayer stimulating. Please call Barb Izbicki if you have pillows, quilts, cds, or appropriate pictures or posters (any magazine or calendar pictures?) that you can loan or donate.

### MISSIONS & OUTREACH:

This week **OPOT (Our People Over There)** - Please pray for the Parsons as they offer respite to missionaries.

### IN THE FOYER:

Pick up registration forms for **Camp Imadene** for the 2009 programs.

**Pictures in the foyer:** You may notice it is bare out there now. We would like to take the next couple of months to hang photos of all the ministries at Oaklands. If you have pictures of any ministries at Oaklands them to Sally by email or bring in and she will format.

**Minutes from the AGM in Nov.** - We did have them in the foyer during our snowy season but you may not have got a copy. So help yourself to a copy today.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE:

Please continue to **pray for Barb Horton** and the family. Barb has completed her radiation and now waits for her Oncologist appointment on Thursday to discuss the effects of the radiation and any possible next steps.

Thanks to Bruce Robinson and Dave Waldie for building our pencil holders for the pews and to Del Cox and Dave Deepröse for installing them.

### THIS WEEK:

**Monday Jan 26 - 6 pm** - AWANA

**Tuesday Jan 27 - 6:45 am** - Special Needs Prayer

**Wednesday Jan 28 - Small Groups**

, C & C have worship time @ 7:30 pm @ Oaklands everyone welcome

**Thursday, Jan 29**

A Call to Prayer and Fasting - The Leadership Team of Oaklands Chapel would like to call all those who are able to join in a day of prayer and fasting on Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. Barb Horton has an appointment with the oncologist on that day at 11:20am and so we would like to cover this day with specific prayer for that reason. We continue to appeal to God through obedience and deliberate prayer for His healing touch on Barb's body. We also would invite anyone to submit other prayer requests and needs to be compiled on a list of prayer requests for that day - please forward any such requests to Sally ([sally@oaklandschapel.org](mailto:sally@oaklandschapel.org)). We invite you to fast through the daylight hours of January 29<sup>th</sup> as you are able. The Fireside Lounge will be set up and reserved as a place of prayer from 9am to 5pm that day so if you are able to come and pray on site anytime during those hours, please do so. Let us set aside this day to intercede and ask for His will to be done in our congregation!

#### Small Groups

**7:30 pm - Dr. Tony Campolo is speaking at Glad Tidings on "Global Justice:**

**What can we do?"** See the poster in the foyer for more information.

**Friday, Jan 30, 7:00 pm - Youth Group - Name that tune & worship**

**Jan 30 - Feb 1 - Mission Fest in Vancouver** - pick up a brochure in the foyer -

**Saturday Jan 31 - 7:30 am - Men's Breakfast - all men are invited**

**8:30- 4:30 pm One day Real Marriage Conference @ Glad Tidings**

Church \$50.00 per couple Lunch is provided. To register: email

[gtidings@gtvictoria.com](mailto:gtidings@gtvictoria.com)

### PROFILES OF LEADERSHIP

#### CANDIDATES:

We are excited to introduce to you the following 3 individuals who are willing to stand as Leadership Team members. Between them they bring a combination of a wealth of experience and new ideas and energy to our Team. On February 15<sup>th</sup> during our Valentines lunch we will be asking the members of Oaklands to affirm their appointment. Please feel free to speak with any LT member if you have questions!