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Faith Is The Victory

Acts 12:1-19

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Welcome to CBC

We are excited for you to join us in worship today. Our prayer is that through the singing of gospel truths, hearing the scriptures proclaimed, and being around the saints, you will leave edified and equipped to live on mission with God for His glory.

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Welcome	Candy Chin
Adoration	Happy Day Mighty To Save Holy Forever
Prayer	Gary Sham
Scripture	Acts 12:1-19 (NIV) William Gaw
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Acts 12:1-19 (NIV)

1 It was about this time that King Herod arrested some who belonged to the church, intending to persecute them. **2** He had James, the brother of John, put to death with the sword. **3** When he saw that this met with approval among the Jews, he proceeded to seize Peter also. This happened during the Festival of Unleavened Bread. **4** After arresting him, he put him in prison, handing him over to be guarded by four squads of four soldiers each. Herod intended to bring him out for public trial after the Passover. **5** So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him. **6** The night before Herod was to bring him to trial, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries stood guard at the entrance. **7** Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. “Quick, get up!” he said, and the chains fell off Peter’s wrists. **8** Then the angel said to him, “Put on your clothes and sandals.” And Peter did so. “Wrap your cloak around you and follow me,” the angel told him. **9** Peter followed him out of the prison, but he had no idea that what the angel was doing was really happening; he thought he was seeing a vision. **10** They passed the first and second guards and came to the iron gate leading to the city. It opened for them by itself, and they went through it. When they had walked the length of one street, suddenly the angel left him. **11** Then Peter came to himself and said, “Now I know without a doubt that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from Herod’s clutches and from everything the Jewish people were hoping would happen.” **12** When this had dawned on him, he went to the house of Mary the mother of John, also called Mark, where many people had gathered and were praying. **13** Peter knocked at the outer entrance, and a servant named Rhoda came to answer the door. **14** When she recognized Peter’s voice, she was so overjoyed she ran back without opening it and exclaimed, “Peter is at the door!” **15** “You’re out of your mind,” they told her. When she kept insisting that it was so, they said, “It must be his angel.” **16** But Peter kept on knocking, and when they opened the door and saw him, they were astonished. **17** Peter motioned with his hand for them to be quiet and described how the Lord had brought him out of prison. “Tell James and the other brothers and sisters about this,” he said, and then he left for another place. **18** In the morning, there was no small commotion among the soldiers as to what had become of Peter. **19** After Herod had a thorough search made for him and did not find him, he cross-examined the guards and ordered that they be executed.

Notes

- Are you going through difficulties in life?
- Do you believe in the Power of Prayer?
- Do you trust that God is in control of your situation?
- Faith will give us victory over the world.

Pastor's Word by Pastor Donald Gardner

CHALLENGING WORDS TO FOLLOW & APPLY (Matt. 15:10-12)

Jesus said, "It is not that which goes into the mouth that defiles a man but that which comes out of his mouth." Then, having heard this, his disciples said to Him, "Don't you know that the Pharisees were offended by your words for what you've said?"

For the Jews, the rules tied to dietary intake were many and to eat anything unclean was sinful and to be judged. Yet, Jesus dared to say that this emphasis on food prohibitions was not as important as what was coming out of the heart of the person. He defined the religious establishment's laws as petty. It was not clothes, rituals, nor customs that were to be valued but the heart and words of the person.

As we reflect on ourselves and our church, by what standard do we live? Are we more preoccupied with how we appear to others or is our appearance a reflection of who Christ is in our lives? May the Father give us the "courage of Christ" to BE Christian more than just LOOK Christian in the eyes of any who might see themselves as the standard for Christian behavior. Serve Him Boldly!

Announcements

- **VBC 2024 Missions** - please join us as we are collecting funds for VBC Missions thru the month of July, benefiting the Children's Hunger Fund (CHF), an organization that we have supported for several years. CHF provides meals as well as support for churches in poverty-stricken countries. **Checks may be written out to Chinese Baptist Church (memo: VBC Missions).** Please contact Connie Lee (connie@davidmleepc.com) for more info.
- **Sunday, Aug 4**, Catherine Yen will share about the Cambodia Mission Trip during English Worship Service
- **Chinese Summer School** starts Mon, Aug 5 to Fri Aug 8 from 1 pm to 5 pm. QR code can be scanned from the flyer around the church.
- **Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, Aug 10 from 8:30 am - 9:30 am in room 163.** Please call the CBC office or email pastoroleg@cbchouston.org for RSVP.
- **Java Jam 16 will be on Saturday, Aug 10, 2024 from 5 pm to 9 pm in the Sanctuary and FLC.**
- **Children's Choir Performance will be Sunday, Aug 11 at 2 pm in the Sanctuary**, inviting everyone to come and enjoy their performance. Refreshment will be followed after in the FLC.
- **Business Meeting on Sunday, August 18, 2024 at 1 pm in the Sanctuary.** We will have 2 deacon candidates to vote on: Edmond Cheung and Hailong Yong.

We would like to invite our visitors to consider joining the CBC family as members. If you are interested, a one hour class will be held by one of our Pastoral Staff with information about CBC beliefs, mission, baptism and ministries. You will also have an opportunity to share your testimony and ask questions. Please fill out the membership application form: <https://forms.gle/CrJOikEDGwpoLZgK6> or contact the office for more questions.

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