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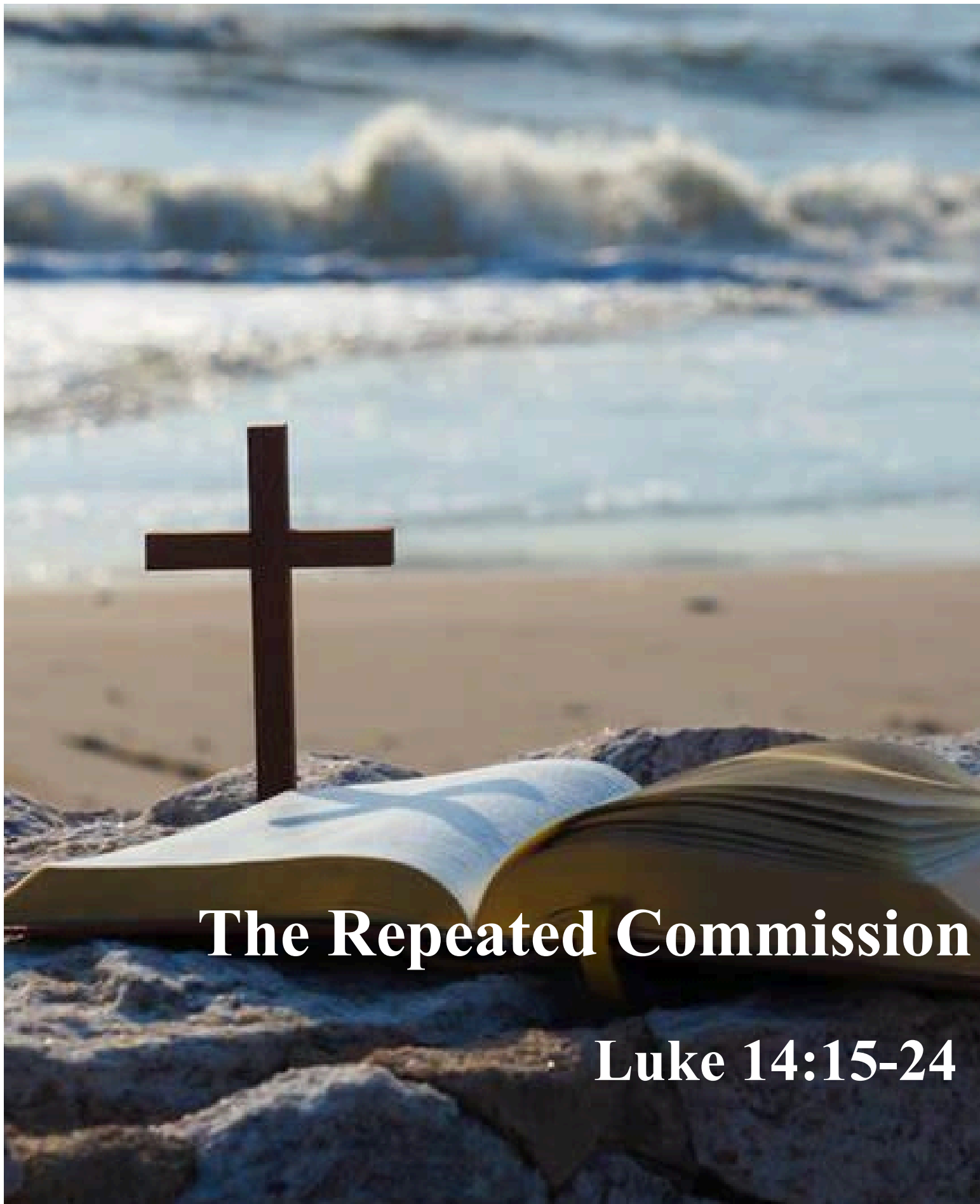
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The Repeated Commission

Luke 14:15-24

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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.

Preparation	Ephesians 2:19-22 (CSB)
Welcome	Irene Chen
Adoration	Praise To The Lord The Almighty His Mercy Is More From The Inside Out
Prayer	Joshua Lee
Scripture	Luke 14:15-24 (ESV) Wayne Gor
Proclamation	The Repeated Commission Reverend Tony Wong
Response	O Come To The Altar
Offertory Prayer	Wayne Gor
Announcements	Pastor Oleg Xu
Benediction	Pastor Oleg Xu



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Luke 14:15-24 (ESV)

15 When one of those who reclined at table with him heard these things, he said to him, “Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!” **16** But he said to him, “A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. **17** And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come, for everything is now ready.’ **18** But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, ‘I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.’ **19** And another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.’ **20** And another said, ‘I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.’ **21** So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, ‘Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.’ **22** And the servant said, ‘Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.’ **23** And the master said to the servant, ‘Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. **24** For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.’”

Notes

Discussion:

1. What is the most meaningful statement or Bible verse you heard today?
2. Please share how the Lord has helped you overcome excuses to follow Him?
3. Please list 3 persons you can pray for their salvation.
4. Take time to pray the 3 open prayers.

Pastor's Word by Pastor Donald Gardner

A PERSONAL REFLECTION

Do ministers ever wonder about the quality or receptivity of the messages they share? The answer is, yes! Just as is true with this article or a sermon, a pastor desires to present encouraging and stretching messages that have value in helping his readers/hearers to become more effective in living out their lives for Christ. And yet, I can't help but question whether this attitude of self-expectation is valid? Let us think about it.

Did Jesus worry about, or have any concern for, whether his messages were popular or desired by his listeners? Was Jesus selective to only share messages that would be gentle or non-threatening? Did Jesus only speak to hearers who would be receptive to His thoughts or did He find himself in multiple types of environments?

Stephen was a joyous Christian of courage and burden. Stephen was stoned to death for his efforts. John the Baptizer was a dedicated layman of strong stock and personality as he went wherever it was required to share the story of Jesus. John was beheaded and had his head placed on a plate for his efforts. Jesus was a loving Savior that modeled honest and clear challenge for men to repent and seek the Kingdom of God at all costs. He was crucified.

Hmmm, maybe worrying about the popularity of a message and its receptivity isn't something that shows my hunger to be like Christ after all. Maybe this attitude reflects something that I, and others, need to think about a bit more?

Announcements

- **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 Hai-Long Yong. Simple lunch will be served.
- **AWANA Fall Kickoff Registration and Orientation will be held on Friday, Aug 23, 2024 at 7 pm in the FLC.**
- **Bereans and Boomers Fall Lunch Fellowship will be on Saturday, Sept 7, 2024 from 10:30 am to 1 pm in the FLC.** Speaker will be Dr Gene Yee (a retired 47 year Family Physician and a CBC Deacon), topic will be "Important Factors when choosing your Medicare Plan & Supplement ". Lunch Cost \$5/ person, RSVP by Wednesday Sept 4, 2024 to genewool@gmail.com or Ashley Lo at ashleyl@cbchouston.org or call CBC office 713.461.0963.
- **Rainbow Senior Fellowship Summer Fun will be rescheduled to Thursday, Sept 19, 2024, Cost \$5/person, please RSVP to Dorothy Chow (281-222-9180) or Josephine Jue (832-651-5314).**

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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