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Celebrate the King, Become like Christ, and Connect the Lost

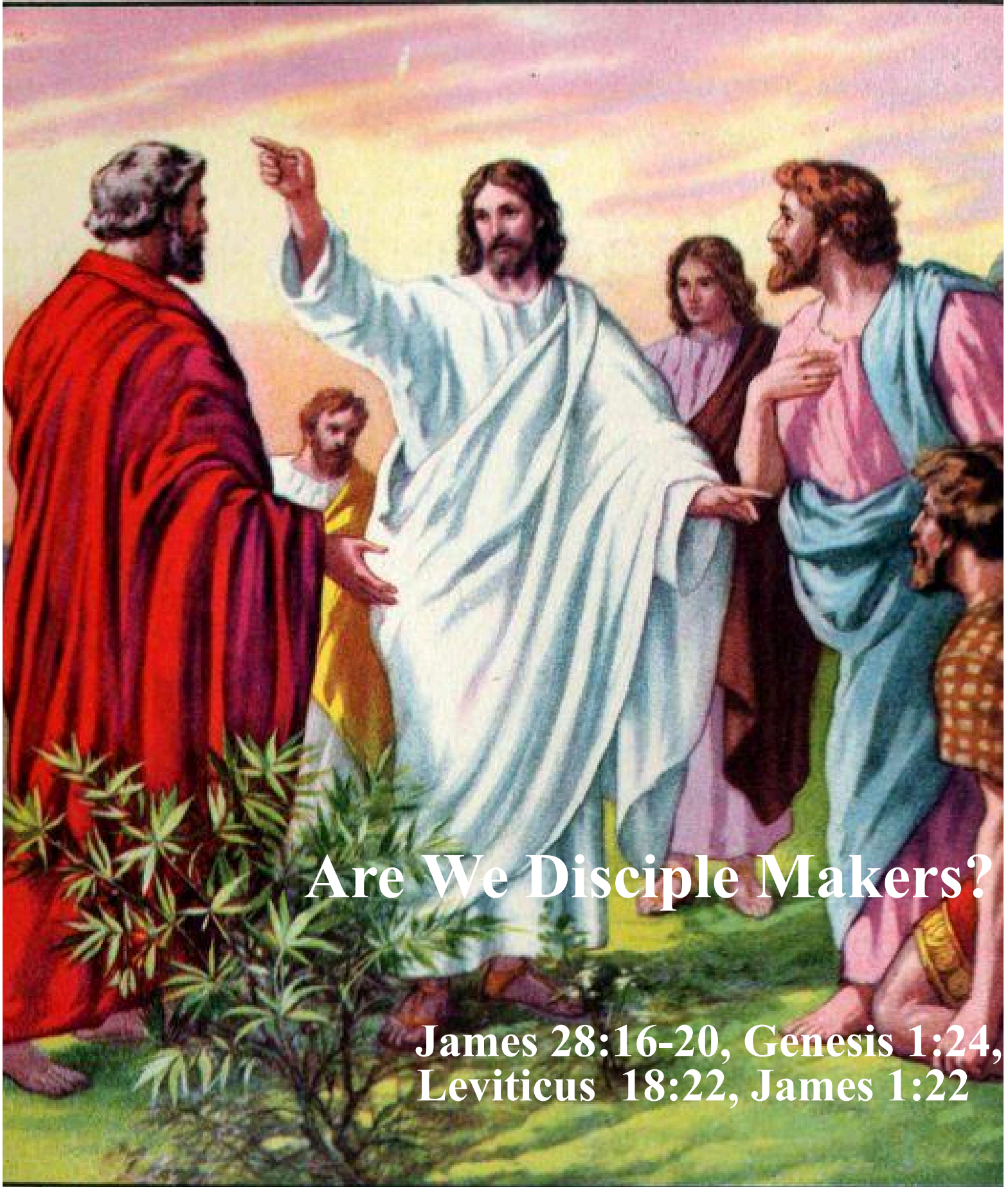
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Are We Disciple Makers?

James 28:16-20, Genesis 1:24,
Leviticus 18:22, James 1:22

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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 Romans 11:33-36 (CSB)

Welcome Joshua Lee

Adoration
Awesome Is The Lord Most High
Christ Is Enough
Jesus Loves Me

Prayer Candy Chin

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:16-20; Genesis 1:24;
Leviticus 18:22; James 1:22 (CSB)
Johnson Leo

Proclamation
Are We Disciple Makers?
Pastor Donald Gardner

Response The Wonderful Cross

Offertory Prayer Johnson Leo

Announcements Elizabeth Yee

Benediction Pastor Oleg Xu



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Matthew 28:16-20 (CSB)

16 The eleven disciples traveled to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had directed them. **17** When they saw him, they worshiped, but some doubted. **18** Jesus came near and said to them, “All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. **19** Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Genesis 1:24 (CSB)

24 Then God said, “Let the earth produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock, creatures that crawl, and the wildlife of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so.

Leviticus 18:22 (CSB)

22 You are not to sleep with a man as with a woman; it is detestable.

James 1:22 (CSB)

22 But be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

Notes

Introduction: What is the Purpose of 2024 Church?

I. Environment/Culture/Society

II. The Role of the Church:

III. Changing Environment:

IV. Leadership or Discipleship?

V. Jesus' Approach to Discipleship

VI. Where Do Disciples Come From?

VII. Foundational Principles of Disciple Makers:

A. Biblical Respect as our Spiritual Life Standard

B. Understanding the Gospel and Salvation

C. Baptism

D. How to Share a Testimony

E. Importance of Prayer and Practice

F. Suffering and Persecution

G. Our Role toward Mankind

H. Understanding the Importance of Disciple Making is Vital to the Church's Future

I. Commitment to Christ and the Faith Provides a Healthy Church

Pastor's Word by Pastor Donald Gardner

"Are You a Mule, a Horse, or a Donkey? "

I challenge you today to pull out the Spiritual Mirror from your back pocket and have a long look at yourself. Do it now! What do you see? Are you a happy, vibrant, joyful servant of the Father or is something keeping you distracted from your "joy?" Remember, nobody can take your "joy" away from you for your emotions belong to you! Situations and people can disappoint us but "joy" is from God and is NOT to be given over to circumstances.

We all know that a Mule is a combination between a Horse and a Donkey. The horse is known as being smarter/teachable but also viewed as physically weaker than a donkey. A donkey is strong and powerful but not so intelligent. With this in mind, the breeding of mules has provided an answer to all problems by producing a strong, stubborn, but reasonably intelligent animal capable of doing important work. Yet, the animal is, within himself, not able to reproduce.

A church that doesn't see reproduction of disciples and churches as part of its goal is lacking in direction and purpose. This type of church is imbalanced and has settled for a mule's life and purpose. This is a church that may work hard and provide some strengths but will tend to become very in-bred and self-focused with little broad vision for its life contribution. Reaching out to the lost has become a forgotten responsibility and focus to this type of body. These types of churches don't represent the "organism-like" identity for which the church was born. Is evangelism, missions, and church planting ever an option for the church to ignore? The answer depends on whether we determine to be a healthy well-balanced church or merely an internally focused club or meeting group. Let us choose carefully for why we exist on this day. Are there changes our church may need to make to have us be a reproducing and loving family of Christ? God helps us all to find that direction in our lives.

Announcements

- Please be aware that the Kids Ministry will have a **lockdown drill** today Oct 27, 2024 between 11:15 am to 12:15 pm so please pick up your child from the 1st hour worship or drop off your child for 2nd hour Sunday school by 11:00 am. Otherwise, please ensure that you pick up your child on time by 12:15 pm.
- **Operation Christmas Child 2024 project will start soon.** Please pick up the shoeboxes, adhesive labels, and instructions for how to fill up your box(es) on the OCC table in the main foyer or near CBC Office area. Completed shoeboxes may be dropped off to the designated area in the foyer anytime before the deadline on **Sunday, Nov 17th**. For details, contact myra.ykwan@gmail.com. Each shoe box already has one paid label attached.
- **Youth Leadership and Parents Meeting with a Ministerial Staff Panel Discussion** today, Oct 27, 2024 from 1 pm to 2 pm in the Chapel.
- **Ice Cream Social Event today, Oct 27, 2024** for new CBC members and those who are interested in joining CBC from 1:15 pm to 2:15 pm in the Foyer (Welcome Center).
- **The CBC Chinese School will have a Fire Truck Visit Day today, Oct 27, 2024** from 1:30 pm to 3:45 pm. Please take note that the front row parking area in front of the nursery doors will be blocked off as reserved parking for the Fire Truck Parking spot.
- **Senior Rainbow Fellowship will celebrate Our Veterans on Thursday, Nov 7, 2024** from 10 am to noon in the FLC. Cost \$12/person (PAPPAS BBQ). All the veterans and veteran widows are free. Inviting everyone to come and celebrate, so please **RSVP to Dorothy Chow at 281-222-9180 or Josephine Jue at 713-774-4321 by Tuesday, Nov 5, 2024**. We encourage everyone that comes, to please bring fruits and snacks to fill some baskets to give away to the foreign students.

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