

Emmanuel Prayer List - April

Youth for Christ Canada - Maureen Pryce, Director of Operations

- Praise for a week together recently on Vancouver Island with Paul, Rachel, Rebecca, Kiersten
- Thankful that she could meet and welcome the new staff added over the last few years
- Please pray for renewed energy as Maureen works to support chapters across the country
- Prayer for meetings with leadership of student ministries March 27-30, National team gathering in Guelph, April 22-14; Q-Conference in Nashville, April 25-29
- A quote from the Executive Director Cliff Heide, YFC Winnipeg:
"Maureen is available and gives help for challenges that come up in the Chapters across Canada to advise on: Leadership, HR practices, charitable practices and staffing support. She is an "incredible asset!"

Study Continued

8. Growing in the Lord is so important in overcoming doubt. Read Romans 10:17. One primary way that faith comes to us is through the Word of God. The Word of God was written by men inspired by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the one who draws us to God. How does the Holy Spirit utilise, the Bible and the body of Christ (The church) to dispel our doubts?
9. Pastor Peter gave 3 things that God uses to give us assurance of our salvation (See notes opposite). Explain each one
10. Read John 20:21-23. After giving the disciples His peace, what were Jesus' instructions to His disciples?

In what way did he empower them to fulfill the mission?

What was the message that they were to bring?

**The peace that Jesus gives is not the absence of trouble,
but the presence of someone.**



"Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

John 20:27

DOUBTLESS THOMAS

Doubtless Thomas John 20:19-29

STOP DOUBTING AND BELIEVE

Doubt =

Jesus said, "_____ doubting and _____"

v.29 Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; _____ are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

When Jesus appeared to the disciples, the first thing He said was...

v.19 Jesus came and stood among them and said, _____
(See also v.21 and v.26)

DRIVING OUR DOUBT

v.24-26 The disciples and Thomas:

Thomas response (v.25) _____

Belief is a decision we make, enabled by the _____

John 6:44

John 12:32

v.26 A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas _____
_____.

Keys to driving out doubt:

1. _____

Hebrews 10:25

2. _____

Assurance of Salvation (1 John 5:13)

a. _____ (Jn 3:16; Rom 10:13; Rev 3:20)

b. _____ (Rom 8:16)

c. _____ (Philippians 1:6)

3. _____ (John 20:21-23)

Jesus _____ them

_____ them

_____ them

1. Define doubt.

Are there some area's in your life where you have doubts?

2. What effect do doubts have on our lives? (e.g. Relationship with people, God, work, authorities like the police & government etc.)

3. Read John 20:19-23. The first thing that Jesus said was, 'Peace be with you, then He repeated it again later. Pastor Peter said that the peace that Jesus gives is not the absence of struggles, or questions, but is rather the confidence to know that Jesus is there with you always. How does the peace of God dispel doubt?

4. Read John 20:24-29. The disciples had seen Jesus, but Thomas had not been with them. When we go through struggles, hardship, difficulties etc. we often alienate ourselves from the very people who could help us, which includes stopping going to Church. Why do you think this is?

5. Thomas wanted proof. He chose not to believe his friends. Pastor Peter Said that belief is a decision we make, enabled by the Holy Spirit. Read John 6:44 and John 12:32. In what ways does God draw us to Himself?

6. Verse 26 says, "A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them." This is very significant. God uses the assembling of ourselves together to minister to us and to those who are seeking. Read Hebrews 10:24-25. Many people today say that they don't need to go to church to be a Christian, and they are right. Consider what the purpose of the 'church' is in the lives of Christians and the world. (Also read 1 Cor 12:12-32)

7. Pastor Peter talked about the importance 'Worship, Grow, Serve.' How do these three aspects of Christian life work together to make us faithful and fruitful in our walk with the Lord?