

YOUTHS FOR JESUS SOUTH AFRICA: PRETORIA ASSEMBLY

YOUTH MEETING ACTIVITY REPORT

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HEBREWS 10 VS 23-25

Heb 10:23 Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)

Heb 10:24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

Heb 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.



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REPORT SUMMARY

Introductions

There was a huge turnout for the third youth meeting of the year with 14 out 18 youths participating plus two visiting youths! The JRM Youth Chairman graced the event and shared key nuggets on an issue that is on the hearts of many if not all youths. Introductions were made and it was emphasised that we are a family and each other's keeper!

Sermon of the Day

The Christocentric ministry, Jesus Revelation Ministries, as per norm, prioritises the word of God concerning Christ. The Youths for Jesus shared lessons learnt from the sermon of the day titled "2000 Cubits".

Relationships in the New Testament Church

The JRM Youth Chairman, Brother Enock Tinashe Muchinako, spoke at length on relationships and the conduct of youths in the New Testament Church as taught by our mothers in the faith.

Financial Matters

Among the discussions held were key issues on fundraising for Youth needs and activities.

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The sermon of the day was a sermon preached at the Youth Conference by our mother in the faith, Pastor G. Baloyi. It is titled, "Two Thousand Cubits". The main scripture is from Joshua 3 vs 1-17.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Know the Ark of the Covenant of your God.
 (Know its characteristics).
- Know those who were selected and appointed to carry the Ark of the Covenant (The New Testament Ministers of the gospel of Christ. Know the Ministers on account of the Ark they are carrying and not on a personal level.)
- Know the distance required between the people and the Ark of the Covenant when it starts moving, i.e. 2000 cubits. It is not a crime not to have revelation. When you cannot interpret scripture leave 2000 cubits and allow a Minister of the gospel of Christ to reveal the required interpretation in the fullness of time.



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INTRODUCTION

It was thrilling to observe that the majority of Youths made an effort to participate in the third and final youth meeting for the year 2019.

In attendance were the following:

- 1. Sister Rumbidzai Vashoma
- 2. Sister Nzwananai Farirai Mhene
- 3. Brother Emmanuel Zhou
- 4. Brother Enock Tinashe Muchinako (JRM Youth Chairman and Guest)
- 5. Sister Shelly Mavunga (Guest)
- 6. Brother Tawedzerwa Mbedzi
- 7. Brother Takudzwa Gonese
- 8. Brother Taurai Maposa
- 9. Brother Evans Mugwenhi
- 10. Sister Vanessa Mhandu
- 11. Brother Admire Nhundu
- 12. Brother Simbarashe matsvai
- 13. Brother Kudzanai Kenge
- 14. Brother Alexander Mhaka
- 15. Sister Definate Shalom Kaduwa
- 16. Brother Munashe Manyemba

Apologies were extended by Brother James Kaziboni and it is hoped that the remaining absentees will be able to attend the next meeting.

ICEBREAKER

Sister Rumbidzai Vashoma facilitated the icebreaker. The attendees introduced themselves, indicated where they live and shared their occupations. It is vital for all Youths to know each other and to visit one another in keeping with the spiritual family principles and acts of love.

SERMON OF THE DAY: "TWO THOUSAND CUBITS"

Main scripture: Joshua 3 vs 1-17

- Jesus (Spanish or Greek) or Joshua (English) means "saviour".
- The name "Jesus" is actually a common name.
- God spoke to Moses and said:

Exodus 3 vs 10

Exo 3:7 And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;

Exo 3:8 And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

Exo 3:9 Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.

Exo 3:10 Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

- God tasked Moses to deliver the Israelites from the land of slavery and lead them to the promised land.
- One can question themselves as to why certain sinful acts have not completely disappeared after salvation? Is not the day one is saved the day when all sin ceases to exist?

- Being led to the promised land was actually being led to fight, to engage in battle or war against the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. God did not pick vacant land for the Israelites. He selected occupied land. The gospel is actually a war of faith. It is a battle and when you have joined the bandwagon of the gospel, you have joined an army. The army fights all the time. In the New Testament are found "Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites". The New Testament is also a land flowing with milk and honey.
- When you hear the name Joshua be reminded that it is a name that cannot be
 emphasised while Moses is still alive. Moses was a type of Messiah because he was used
 by God to deliver the Israelites out of Egypt. The true Messiah, however, does not leave
 his followers mid-way but leads them all the way to the promised land.

Joshua 3 vs 1

Jos 3:1 And Joshua rose early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim, and came to Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over.

- Joshua means saviour. If Joshua was a saviour as depicted by his name, then what was Moses' role?
- The mention of Joshua is in the aftermath of Moses' death. Joshua could not take up the role of leading the Israelites across the Jordan river while Moses was alive. If Moses had been alive, he would have been the one to lead the Israelites to the promised land. Moses represents the Old Testament order which had no capacity to lead the elect to the promised land which is the New testament or the Church of the living God. Moses therefore died. The teaching based on Moses' death will enable one to realise why sinful acts are not instantly eradicated upon salvation.
- The passing on of roles from Moses to Joshua preaches the time that Jesus came in the flesh according to Galatians 4 vs 4:

Galatians 4 vs 4

Gal 4:4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

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Gal 4:5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

- The scripture immediately above explains that Jesus came in the era of the Law of Moses in the flesh. The Jesus who walked in the flesh could not save while walking in the flesh but salvation would come through his death While he walked in the flesh, he created the platform for salvation. Death prevented Moses from leading the Israelites to the promised land.
- Jesus came in the flesh until his crucifixion at Calvary. This period depicts the Moses
 journey.
- In his attempt to deliver the Israelites, Moses first faced resistance from Pharaoh. As a result of Pharaoh's resistance various miracles were performed. The miracles were not a sign of deliverance but a means or demonstration to know their messiah. The Israelites failed to recognise Moses as their messiah. Deacon Stephen addressed the issue that the Israelites failed to recognise Moses as their messiah.
- When Moses killed an Egyptian as fully explained in the following scripture, the Israelites should have understood that he was the man chosen to be their messiah.

Exodus 2 vs 11-12

Exo 2:11 And it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown, that he went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: and he spied an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one of his brethren.

Exo 2:12 And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he slew the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.

• The fight was between two people. Moses intervened but God had allowed the fight. The fight depicted that God's elect were fighting the group of people destined for destruction. When the fight occurred, the Israelite was almost defeated therefore Moses intervened. This is what Christ did on earth; He was involved in a doctrinal fight between the Pharisees, Sadducees and Chief Priests on one hand and the preaching of the true gospel on the other hand. When Jesus called the likes of Peter from the Sea of Tiberias he was intervening in their doctrinal fight against the Pharisees, Sadducees and Chief

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Priests because they were following the doctrine of these scholars and priests. Christ's time to save had not matured.

- Christ is the true Messiah. The doctrinal fight is still in existence which is why crusades, conferences and outreaches are held. Christ is operating in His word, today.
- Christ is intervening where false preachers are deceiving the elect with deceptions such as wristbands, anointing oil, etc.
- To deliver the Israelite, Moses had to fight the Egyptian. The word of God is fighting a
 war against falsehoods. Christ wants people to know that this is the gospel of Christ that
 saves. However, many are refuting the gospel.
- When Christ came in the flesh, initially he did not come to immediately save at that time. Christ performed various miracles and people held onto the miracles but the miracles were not going to save the people.
- The miracles that occurred in Egypt did not liberate the Israelites and did not enable them to leave Egypt until the Passover. Without the Passover there was no deliverance.
- Moses represented the Law and Joshua represented the New Testament order.
- The gospel is not based on the fact that Jesus came in the flesh but that he rose from the dead. His resurrection pronounced Him a Saviour and Begotten Son. It is vital to comprehend whether one **believes** that Christ rose from the dead or not.

Joshua 3 vs 1

Jos 3:1 And Joshua rose early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim, and came to Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over.

• "Early in the morning" is representative of the period immediately after Jesus died and rose again. This period is after the following descriptions in scripture:

Ephesians 2 vs 14-16

Eph 2:14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

Eph 2:15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

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Eph 2:16 And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:

Colossians 2 vs 14-15

Col 2:14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;

Col 2:15 And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

Hebrews 7 vs 11-12

Heb 7:11 If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?

Heb 7:12 For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.

- The Old Testament was annulled and we do not observe or preach the Sabbath law or tithing or the Paschal Supper. Essentially "Moses" died.
- "Early in the morning" in Joshua 3 vs 1 means Moses had died. In order to have
 "Joshua" there had to be a grave for Moses; in order to have a Saviour there had to be a grave for Christ.
- When Moses led the Israelites into the wilderness the journey from Egypt to the Promised Land took many years; 40 years. It was a period of wandering about the desert. Moses was not the one to lead them when they entered the Promised Land. This period of wandering signifies the fact that those who observe the law are "wanderers" who are not going anywhere, they are without direction; wandering on the same spot.

1 Corinthians 15 vs 12-18

1Co 15:12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead?

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- 1Co 15:13 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:
- 1Co 15:14 And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain.
- 1Co 15:15 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.
- 1Co 15:16 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:
- 1Co 15:17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins.
- 1Co 15:18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.
 - If Christ is not preached to have risen from the dead then our faith is in vain. Our sins were forgiven and the power to forgive is a result of the resurrection from the dead. This signifies moving from "Moses to Joshua".
 - "Early in the morning", Joshua declared that the Israelites were passing over. They
 ceased to wander and entered straight into the Promised Land by crossing the Jordan
 River.

Joshua 3 vs 1-2

Jos 3:1 And Joshua rose early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim, and came to Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over.

Jos 3:2 And it came to pass after three days, that the officers went through the host;

- The New Testament began when Christ died and rose from the dead.
- In Joshua 3 vs 2, after three days, the officers went in the midst of the camp. However, when Christ died, nobody/the "officers" never preached over the three days and three nights because these had to lapse for the preaching of the New Testament order to commence. The three days represent the following:

Mathew 12 vs 40

Mat 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

- The message of the Passover to Canaan was preached by the officers and not Joshua but the officers only communicated the message to the Israelite camp after three days.
- The preaching of the New Testament begins after three days and three nights because:

Ephesians 4 vs 4-12

- Eph 4:4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
- Eph 4:5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
- Eph 4:6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.
- Eph 4:7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.
- Eph 4:8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.
- Eph 4:9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?
- Eph 4:10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)
- Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;
- Eph 4:12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:
 - Without going to the heart of the earth Christ could not ascend to the right hand of God. After going to the heart of the earth and the resurrection He was able to give "the officers"/disciples their ministerial offices; some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers.
 - The officers went into the midst of the camp at Joshua's command. Their "preaching" was as follows:

Joshua 3 vs 3-4

Jos 3:3 And they commanded the people, saying, When ye see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it.

 Ministers of the gospel do not point people to themselves but to the ark of the covenant of the LORD God. The ark of the covenant represents the gospel of Jesus Christ. The following were in the ark:

Hebrews 9 vs 4-5

Heb 9:4 Which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant;

Heb 9:5 And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we cannot now speak particularly.

- The contents of the ark all constitute the gospel of Jesus Christ
- The rod represents Holy Spirit. Without Christ there is no Holy Spirit. Those who speak in tongues and afterwards do not give a testimony of Christ have evil spirits and not Holy Spirit. This is because the three contents of the ark abide together. The two tables of stone represent the Law from which the gospel of grace and faith in Christ Jesus is derived. The golden pot that had manna represents the pot of the word of God concerning Christ. These three components in the ark represent the gospel.
- The Ark of the Covenant was created, it was not always in existence:

Exodus 25 vs 10-22

Exo 25:10 And they shall make an ark of shittim wood: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.

Exo 25:11 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou overlay it, and shalt make upon it a crown of gold round about.

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- Exo 25:12 And thou shalt cast four rings of gold for it, and put them in the four corners thereof; and two rings shall be in the one side of it, and two rings in the other side of it.
- Exo 25:13 And thou shalt make staves of shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.
- Exo 25:14 And thou shalt put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, that the ark may be borne with them.
- Exo 25:15 The staves shall be in the rings of the ark: they shall not be taken from it.
- Exo 25:16 And thou shalt put into the ark the testimony which I shall give thee.
- Exo 25:17 And thou shalt make a mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof.
- Exo 25:18 And thou shalt make two cherubims of gold, of beaten work shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the mercy seat.
- Exo 25:19 And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end: even of the mercy seat shall ye make the cherubims on the two ends thereof.
- Exo 25:20 And the cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces shall look one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be.
- Exo 25:21 And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee.
- Exo 25:22 And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.
 - The Ark of the Covenant was made at God's instruction to Moses just like Noah created the Ark. Likewise:

John 3 vs 14-15

- Joh 3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:
- Joh 3:15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

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- The serpent had to be created before being lifted up. It was not always in existence, it was created. Therefore, we cannot receive Ark of the Covenant of Jesus Christ or the gospel of Jesus Christ when the creator of the gospel has not come. Christ came to create His Ark of the Covenant or gospel which was completed at Calvary. When the creation of Ark of the Covenant is completed at Calvary, its components forming the revealed word, the seals having been removed from the book as accounted in Revelation 5, the gospel was then preached.
- When an officer of Joshua preaches the message, he/ she preaches that one must know the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD our God because false officers will also create their own ark which is contrary to the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD our God; the gospel of Jesus Christ. This means every Believer must know the gospel of Jesus Christ and be able to vet officers of the gospel by their preaching. Determine if an officer of the gospel has: the golden pot that had manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant.
- Therefore, the preaching of the officers is to inform the camp to look at the Ark of the Covenant; to look at the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Additionally, did three days lapse before the officers go into the midst of the camp?
 The preaching will attest to this that three days did not lapse. There is a microwave gospel being preached by people which gives evidence that the three days did not lapse.
- When Christ rose from the dead after three days and three nights, He "gave some,
 apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and
 teachers." For the perfecting of the work of the saints. The work of the saints is to believe
 in Him who was sent:

John 6 vs 29

Joh 6:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.

- The starting point is to see the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD your God. If you know
 the Ark of the Covenant if an imitation comes you will dismiss it immediately, without
 delay.
- After seeing the Ark of the Covenant, observe the priests bearing it. There are priests
 that are designated to carry the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD our God. If you know
 the priest without knowing the Ark it is a tragedy.
- If you know the Ministers who preach the gospel of Christ without knowing the gospel of Christ itself, it is a tragedy. Many people have gone astray because they follow mortals/people who they thought were bearers of the Ark.
- The true gospel does not tell people to look to other people or Ministers of the gospel but to Christ the author and finisher of our faith.
- The respect for the priests who carry the Ark is not based on the fact that they are priests who carry the Ark but it is based on them carrying the Ark that we respect. The respect we give to Ministers of the gospel of Christ is not based on their titles and roles but the fact that they preach the gospel of Christ that we respect.
- Know the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD your God.
- When you see the priests carrying the Ark of the Covenant, do not follow the priests but rather follow the Ark of the Covenant. Do not follow the men carrying the Ark, follow the Ark. Know the gospel of Christ first then examine the Ministers of the gospel of Christ. Many Ministers of the gospel have gone astray therefore be wary to follow the gospel of Christ and not its preachers. Be wary of the likes of Hymenaeus and Philetus. Do not hold on to the fact that the likes of Hymenaeus and Philetus used to preach with the likes of Paul or you will be led astray.
- Do not follow preachers, follow the gospel of Christ.
- A minister of the word who goes astray leads many astray because they don't know the
 Ark of the Covenant of the LORD our God/the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- When you see the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD our God moving get up and follow
 it.
- Each time a sermon is preached, the Ark of the Covenant is moving and when you
 refute the preaching you are dismissing and saying goodbye to the Ark of the
 Covenant.

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- The gospel of Jesus Christ, which is the truth, is moving. Be reminded that the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD our God carries the presence of God.
- All solutions are in the gospel of Christ. The presence of God is the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- No one has the capacity to vet God. God does not need a mortal's approval. He is
 intending to give salvation to those to whom the gospel of Christ is preached.
- The Ark of the Covenant of the LORD our God is moving but does it have wheels or is it being pushed? The Ark is carried by the priests. Some people deny the Ark because it is carried by people.
- Christ placed everything under His feet. His feet are the Ministers of the gospel of Christ.
 It also speaks of submission to his feet; submission to the Ministers of the gospel.

Hebrews 1 vs 1-3

Heb 1:1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

Heb 1:2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

Heb 1:3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

- The word of God is Jesus Christ, through whom God created everything!
- God is speaking through His Son, Jesus Christ who is the Word of God. God speaks through the preaching of His Word.

Joshua 3 vs 3-4

Jos 3:3 And they commanded the people, saying, When ye see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it.

Jos 3:4 Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed this way heretofore.

- A distance was to be kept between the people and the Ark of the Covenant.
- Why 2000 cubits? In order to know the way by which you must go because you have never walked this route/way before.
- The way of the Law of Moses has been walked /followed before but the way of the New Testament has never been walked before therefore 2000 cubits are required to be left. It is Holy Spirit's way. The New Testament is a journey being walked by Believers while being led by Holy Spirit. The journey has never been walked before.
- Peter and Paul preached the foundation of the gospel of Christ but they cannot provide the sermons to be preached in this day. Today's message comes from Holy Spirit.
- Follow the Ark because you have never walked this way before.
- When the Ark appears to be tilting and ready to fall, leave it alone because it belongs to God. He is the owner who drives it.
- The distance between you and the gospel of Christ is grace and calculated as follows: 4×5 . The number 4 represents the number of Ministerial offices selected to carry the gospel of Christ. The number 5 represents grace. $4 \times 5 = 20$. $20 \times 100 = 2000$.
- 100 represents a "hundredfold" which is a number used by God to represent the sufficiency and completeness of things.
- The gap between you and the Ark of the covenant should not disturb you but rather leave the Ministers of the gospel to bear the Ark of the Covenant.
- 2000 cubits are to be left, not less and not more. We have never walked this journey before; a journey where tithes are not paid, Pasch is not celebrated, etc. Ministers of the New Testament never know what is going to be preached next.
- Nobody has walked the new testament journey; it belongs to Holy Spirit. This is why Paul used handkerchiefs to heal and people thought they had walked that journey before. Holy Spirit led them and He does not tread where He trod before meaning you cannot follow suit and use handkerchiefs in a bid to invite healing. People were healed under Peter's shadow. That does not mean one has to imitate that. Nowadays, people get healed while the word is being preached.
- We learn the foundation of the doctrine from the likes of Peter and Paul.
- Today's message comes from Holy Spirit. Because the Ministers of the gospel have never walked this journey before, follow the Ark of the Covenant.

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- 2000 cubits describe the basis of this sermon. If you do not cease to pay tithes or to follow the traditions of your culture that are contrary to the doctrine of Christ (such as paying "mombe yehumai" at lobola negotiations) then you are still sitting down. Get up and follow the Ark of the Covenant of your God! Do not turn your head to count those who stood up. If you truly know the Ark of the Covenant of your God when you see it moving follow it and leave 2000 cubits. Do not move too close; claiming to have a revelation that is beyond your comprehension and the grace bestowed upon you.
- Leave those sent Ministers of the gospel to preach the gospel of Christ! Christ is the one
 who gave "some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some,
 pastors and teachers".
- If you walk less than 2000 cubits away from the Ark of the Covenant you will suffer the consequences that Uzza suffered when he held the Ark of the Covenant.
- Do not seek to bear the Ark but to follow it leaving a 2000-cubit gap.
- 5 is a number of grace. The Ministers of the gospel of Christ received the gospel of Christ by grace. The Ark can only be carried by 4 priests at a time therefore the gospel of Christ is carried by 4 ministerial offices only.

Joshua 3 vs 4-6

Jos 3:4 Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed this way heretofore.

Jos 3:5 And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to morrow the LORD will do wonders among you.

Jos 3:6 And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, Take up the ark of the covenant, and pass over before the people. And they took up the ark of the covenant, and went before the people.

There are things on this earth that are miraculous but do not make people marvel.
 There are things that are not miraculous which people marvel at. What many think are miracles are not miracles indeed.

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- The miracle is in crossing over from darkness into the New Testament and being saved; receiving salvation. It is the greatest miracle.
- It is a miracle, for instance, to see a former prostitute walking in the New Testament, following the gospel of Christ, having left her former ways. When asked if there are miracles in the New Testament Church one may not immediately recognise them but they are profound. People are used to the blind being seeing, the lame walking, etc. These are not true miracles. The deliverance of a sinner is a great miracle. This is because one who was once dead has been made alive! The dead are raised in the New Testament church, spiritually. This is a great miracle!!! We were dead in our sins and were made alive!!!
- If a physical body is raised from the dead and the soul goes to start a shrine that blasphemes God afterward, is that a miracle? No, not at all!
- We have a miracle! Salvation is a miracle!!!

Joshua 3 vs 5-7

Jos 3:5 And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to morrow the LORD will do wonders among you.

Jos 3:6 And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, Take up the ark of the covenant, and pass over before the people. And they took up the ark of the covenant, and went before the people.

Jos 3:7 And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee.

- Moses represented Christ in the flesh. Joshua represents the glorified Christ. He was magnified on account of what He did in the flesh.
- Christ is still "walking on water" today in order for people to honour the word. This is why
 it is written that the gentiles rejoiced and glorified God/the Word.
- Joshua was to be magnified. Joshua was magnified by God in the presence of all the people after crossing over from the wilderness into the Promised Land.
- People who blaspheme Christ have not crossed over to the New Testament. Those who glorify Christ are they that have crossed over.

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Joshua 3 vs 7-

- Jos 3:7 And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee.
- Jos 3:8 And thou shalt command the priests that bear the ark of the covenant, saying, When ye are come to the brink of the water of Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan.
- Jos 3:9 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, Come hither, and hear the words of the LORD your God.
- Jos 3:10 And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the living God is among you, and that he will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Hivites, and the Perizzites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.
- Jos 3:11 Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth passeth over before you into Jordan.
- Jos 3:12 Now therefore take you twelve men out of the tribes of Israel, out of every tribe a man.
- Jos 3:13 And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, that the waters of Jordan shall be cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon an heap.
- Jos 3:14 And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over Jordan, and the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people;
- Jos 3:15 And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all his banks all the time of harvest,)
- Jos 3:16 That the waters which came down from above stood and rose up upon an heap very far from the city Adam, that is beside Zaretan: and those that came down toward the sea of the plain, even the salt sea, failed, and were cut off: and the people passed over right against Jericho.
- Jos 3:17 And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, and all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until all the people were passed clean over Jordan.
 - Why is it that we still battle the "Canaanites" in our lives /sin after salvation? Knowing why is a guarantee that God will help you overcome.

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- Joshua 3 vs 11 indicates that the gospel of Christ will help one to cross over" the Jordan River into the Promised Land".
- The Jordan River represents the scriptures. "Summer" represents the New Testament period. In summer, the Jordan River is full; overflowing with water. You cannot try to cross the River at that time. However, the waters of the Jordan River were to be cut off. "The waters of Jordan shall be cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon a heap". The scriptures will heap up, as one crosses over from Genesis to Revelation.
- God gave us a huge measure of grace because one sermon in the New Testament
 Church is equivalent to multiple sermons at a shrine like ZAOGA.
- In Joshua 3 vs 14, the people left their tents to cross over the Jordan. Nobody could
 cross over if they remained in their tents. It's a spiritual transaction. "Tents" refer to the
 flesh or the desires of the flesh. When one is saved, they leave the desires of the flesh/
 the 'tent".
- In Joshua 3 vs 15, Jordan overflowed all its banks. This is why in the New Testament the word of God is in abundance.
- In Joshua 3 vs 17, the priests stand until all the people have crossed over. The Ministers
 of the gospel preach ceaselessly until many are saved.

"2000 Cubits":

- 1. Know the Ark of the Covenant of your God. (Know its characteristics).
- 2. Know those who were selected and appointed to carry the Ark of the Covenant (The New Testament Ministers of the gospel of Christ. Know the Ministers on account of the Ark they are carrying and not on a personal level.)
- 3. Know the distance required between the people and the Ark of the Covenant when it starts moving, i.e. 2000 cubits. It is not a crime not to have revelation. When you cannot interpret scripture leave 2000 cubits and allow a Minister of the gospel of Christ to reveal the required interpretation in the fullness of time.

SUMMARY OF YOUTH DIALOGUE ON RELATIONSHIPS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH

Introduction

2 Corinthians 5 vs 1-4

- 2Co 5:1 For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.
- 2Co 5:2 For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:
- 2Co 5:3 If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked.
- 2Co 5:4 For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.
 - Are we all groaning in our individual tabernacles and earnestly desiring to leave them?

Romans 8 vs 16-17

Rom 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

Rom 8:17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

- No effort is required to be predestined for the gospel of Christ.
- We were called to the true gospel of Christ and it is not by our own efforts.
- The reason why we as Youths struggle with issues relating to relationships is because we
 are still carnal.

1 Peter 5 vs 1-5

1Pe 5:1 The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:

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- 1Pe 5:2 Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;
- 1Pe 5:3 Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.
- 1Pe 5:4 And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.
- 1Pe 5:5 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.
 - We all belong to Christ. As Youths, or the "younger category" we ought to follow the template given to the "elders" who in turn follow Christ's example.

2 Timothy 2 vs 1-4

- 2Ti 2:1 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.
- 2Ti 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.
- 2Ti 2:3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
- 2Ti 2:4 No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.
 - We are to endure "hardness".
 - Paul was addressing Timothy who began to lead an assembly as a nineteen-year-old.
 - There is no record that Timothy was side-tracked from his assignment by ladies.

Hebrews 12 vs 2-4

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Heb 12:3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

Heb 12:4 Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.

- Christ is the Forerunner and Chief Shepherd.
- Christ endured the cross. Endurance of "hardness" is to be done in imitation of the One
 who endured before us, Christ Jesus.
- Christ came in the flesh and did not cease to be pure. Temptations and troubles were
 endured by Christ but He gave us a perfect example to follow as the Forerunner of
 endurance.
- Christ interacted with sinners throughout His 33-year assignment.
- Our Forerunner defeated sin by shedding blood. One's testimony ought to be about the blood shed by Christ.
- If you continue to live a sinful life then you are claiming that Christ died in vain.
- Resist and strive against sin.
- The gospel of Christ is all we need to fight sin and remain pure.
- Christ is the Forerunner and template of our conduct in the flesh.

Galatians 4 vs 19-21

Gal 2:19 For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.

Gal 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

Gal 2:21 I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.

Subject your flesh to your spirit. Mortify the deeds of your flesh.

Who qualifies to be a Youth in the New Testament Church?

- 1. One who believes the true gospel
- 2. One who has never been married
- 3. One who has never had children
- If you desire to have a relationship with a fellow Brethren, make it known to the coordinators or Pastors before you enter into a relationship.
- Please note that a Sister cannot approach a Brother with the intention of entering a relationship with the Brother.
- If you are in a relationship that began before you were called to salvation, likewise, make it known to the coordinators or Pastors.
- If you desire to enter a relationship with a non-believer, make it known as well for guidance from the coordinators or mothers in the faith.
- The natural family is a shadow of the spiritual family therefore love your Brethren enough to report any wrongdoing and avoid false accusations. Visit one another. Know where your fellow Brethren live.
- Eloping is unacceptable.
- When one decides to marry, idolatry in the form of cultural mandates such as "masungiro and mombe yehumai" are absolutely unacceptable.
- Married or not, if it pleases God so be it, He remains God and worthy of all praise in all situations.
- Be bold against the desires of the flesh with the same boldness that you denounce foxes.

SUMMARY OF YOUTH DIALOGUE ON FINANCIAL ISSUES

A farming project is underway in Zimbabwe to raise funds that will be used by JRM Youths at future conferences and social events. Various assemblies will make contributions toward the project until it is self-sustaining. Thereafter satellite assemblies will raise funds for their respective needs and local events.

To initiate a fundraising programme for the Pretoria Youths for Jesus, initial R100 contributions are required by 31 January 2020. Thereafter R50 monthly contributions will be requested from all Youths. May you please communicate it to the youth coordinators if you are unable to make the contributions. Upon approval t-shirts bearing the JRM logo will be ordered and sold to fundraise. Any lucrative fundraising alternatives can be communicated to the youth coordinators.

GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS





In the photograph are: Brother Munashe, Brother Takudzwa, Sister Nzwananai, Sister Definate, Brother Taurai, Sister Rumbidzai, Brother Tawedzerwa, Brother Evans, Brother Enock, Brother Emmanuel, Brother Admire, Brother Kudzanai, Brother Alexander and Sister Shelly.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is on Sunday 12th January 2020.