

What's happening at Desert Breeze?

BAKE SALE ~

In case you didn't notice – there's a Bake Sale going on **Right Now!** There are Christmas Cookies, Candies, Muffins... You name it, it's out there. Go! Proceeds benefit Women's Ministry events!

ANGEL TREE ~

If you have taken an Angel Tree tag – Thank You! Please return your gifts to the church by December 15th!

DB CAFÉ TUMBLERS ~

Buy a cup by itself, with a drink or with a drink card! They make great gifts! And the profits go to Missions so it's a win-win! (**\$6 for just a cup**), (**\$9 = cup + one drink**) and (**\$20 for a cup + a 5 drink card**)!

"CHRISTMAS IS JESUS" ~

This year's **Children's Christmas Program** will be held **Next Saturday, December 19th during the Saturday 6:00pm service.** This is a family service – there will be No Childcare this evening.

CHRISTMAS VOLUNTEER NEEDS ~

Please consider volunteering for one of our Christmas Eve services! Need is for Childcare, Greeting, Security. Please mark a communication card and drop it in the offering box! Thanks!

COMING IN JANUARY 2016 ~

- > Marriage Class – "What Did You Expect?" by Paul Tripp. Fridays, beginning 1/15, 6:30pm
- > Game of Life – Tuesday's beginning 1/19, 6:30pm

Check out our website @ dbcc.com for more info & events

or call the church office 602-374-4588

Wifi info: DB Guest Password: dbguest1

Teaching Series: **"FREEDOM"**

(For Freedom Christ has set us Free-Gal5:1)

There is no greater feeling on earth than being FREE! Ask anyone who has stepped out of prison or broken free from oppression or has kicked an enslaving addiction. With confident expectation they begin a new life. Even more freedom and joy beyond words, are those who have experienced the message found in the New Testament letter of Galatians.

Dec 19/20 **"Gospel Boasting"** Galatians 6:11-18

Dec 24th **Family Christmas Eve Services 4pm & 5:30pm**
(childcare available for infants and toddlers only)

Thank You for the consistent and faithful giving of our church family.

Budget Results for December 5/6

General Giving

Budget \$17,500 Actual \$33,608

**December 12/13,
2015**

FREEDOM

(For FREEDOM Christ has set us free! Gal 5:1)

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Sermon Notes

Ray Davis

“Gospel Sowing & Reaping” Galatians 6:6-18

Just as there are physical laws that govern our bodies and break them to our own disintegration—i.e. eating too many fatty foods can harm the physical structure of my heart/body and shorten my life. So it is also true that there are moral laws that govern our spiritual lives and breaking them will lead to even greater consequences—i.e. living your life against God’s laws can harm your life spiritually, psychologically & relationally. Your life will become the sum total of what your daily little decisions are in part.

WARNING: You Will Reap What You Sow!

V6 _____ to the word from your teachers, because... (James1:19-25)

Vv7-8 If you don’t _____ in the Gospel, you will reap corruption. (Matt13:1-9, 18-23; Rom8:5-8)

Vv9-10 You will always reap _____ you sow, _____ than you sow and _____ then you sow. (2Cor9:6; Hosea 8:7, 10:12-13)

QUALITY CONTROL #1: Is Your Faith Substantial or Superficial?

V12a The false teachers stressed behavioral modification (outward observance) instead of _____ (motives & condition of the heart). (2Tim4:3-4; Ps1:1-3)

V12b They _____ rather than speak the _____ of the Gospel in _____. (Eph4:15; Pro27:6)

QUALITY CONTROL #2: Is Your Faith Based on What You Do or On What Christ Has Done for you?

V13 The false teachers are _____ in the number of their converts as their _____ strategy. (Eph2:8-9)

V14a The gospel means that we do not derive our _____ & _____ (boast) in anything other than what Christ has done. (Ps34:1-2)

V14b Boasting only in the Cross frees me to enjoy the world without _____ (worshiping) it or _____ (fearing) it. (James1:9-10; Ps73:25)

V15 Therefore, no success can inflate me (go to my head) and no failure can deflate me (go to my heart). I don’t obey to get His blessing, I have His blessing _____. (1Cor3:18, 4:7)

V16 Living by the Gospel will bring _____ and _____ revealing that we are the true Children of God. (Gal5:22-23)

V17 _____ is the mark of a life transformed by the Gospel. (2Cor11:16-33; Rom12:1)

V18 God Bless You!

You Can’t Change Yesterday’s Harvest But You Can Change Tomorrow’s!

Growing Notes

1) What comes to mind when you think of Gospel sowing and reaping? Read the introduction to this sermon. What are your thoughts? Do you think most people see the correlation between the physical and the spiritual/moral realm? Explain.

2) Read Galatians 6:6-18. What stands out to you from this text? What is the big idea of this text? What does it mean to listen to the Word from your teachers (v6; Jam1:19-25)? What does it mean to persevere in the Gospel (vv7-8; Matt13:1-23)? What happens if we don’t (v8; Rom8:5-8)?

3) You will always reap WHAT you sow, MORE than you sow & LATER then you sow (vv9-10; 2Cor9:6; Hosea 8:7, 10:12-13). Explain. What is Quality Control #1 when it comes to sowing and reaping? When it comes to having a substantial faith what is the difference between behavioral modification & heart transformation (v12a; 2Tim4:3-4)? Why do we need both truth & love for lasting life change (v12b; Eph4:15; Pro27:6)?

4) What is Quality Control #2 when it comes to sowing and reaping? What were the false teachers boasting it (v13)? What should we boast in as Christians (v14)? In what ways does boasting in the cross set us free? Why is sacrificial love evidence of a heart transformed by the Gospel (v17)? You can’t change yesterday’s harvest, but you can change tomorrow’s! Explain. What are some things you can begin to do for a more abundant future spiritual harvest? Pray.