

# **A Call to One Another Ministry**

## **Gospel Life in the Body of Christ**

**Community Bible Chapel**

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**A Christian has been given LIFE in Christ**



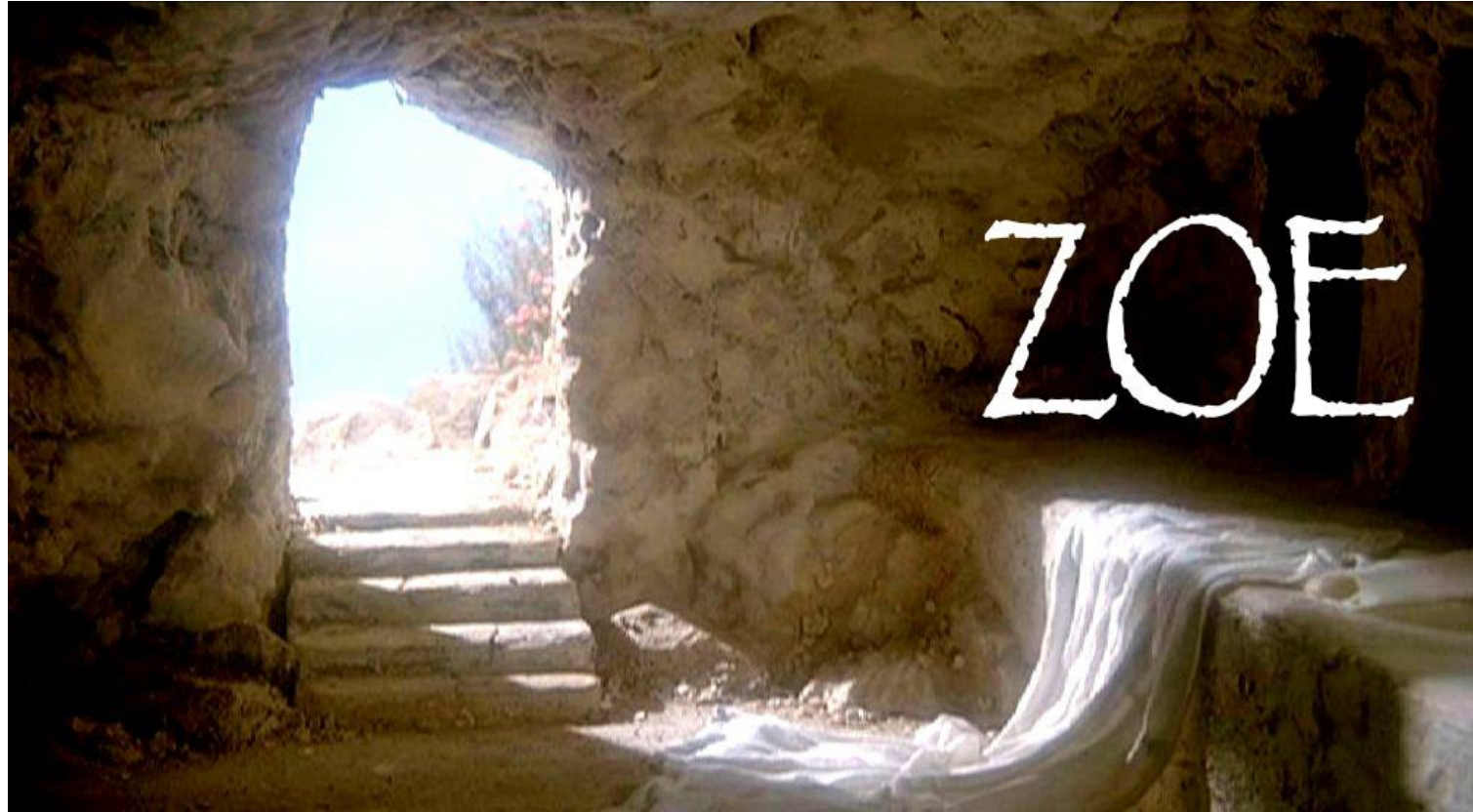
# I John 5:12

He who has the Son has the **life**; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the **life**. NASB



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# Resurrection Life in the Son



# The Domain of Death Under the Sun



# One Another Ministry – Foundation Belief #1

A Christian has been given **LIFE** in Christ

Who we call for help and the answers we are seeking are significantly influenced by our understanding of the gospel. By grace alone through faith alone in Jesus Christ alone, a Christian has been given NEW, complete resurrection LIFE in Christ. We have literally been “twice born”, and this resurrection life in the Son (zoe) is fundamentally different than the universal center of our experiences that we call life under the sun (psuche).



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# The Tension Between Life in the Son and Life Under the Sun

Matthew 4:1-11 – Temptation of Jesus

Mark 2:1-12 – Healing of the Paralytic

Luke 10:38-42 – Martha and Mary



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# Two Sisters-



Prosperity gospel  
Therapeutic gospel



## Therapeutic Terminology

“ The **therapeutic gospel** is the self-esteem gospel... our purpose is to enjoy life and be happy and God is here to meet our needs...

God wants us to feel good about ourselves.”

Michael Horton – *Christless Christianity*

# What about BOB?



# Biblical Personalities

The **Totality** of our Behavioral and Emotional Tendencies

1. **Slave to Sin**
2. **Slave to Christ**

Not **Primarily** Type A, dominant, introvert, passive, phlegmatic, steady, friendly, or A Man from Mars

# Biblical Gospel Orientation:

Moves us towards

self-worship

worship of God

different anthropology

seeing ourselves as slaves of Christ

sanctification by works

walking by faith

programs and groups

prayer and the Word

spiritual deadness

spiritual life



**The Therapeutic Gospel produces:**

*Love for Self*

# The Biblical Gospel produces:

Love for God

Love for Others

# Therapeutic Terminology

## Therapeutic

Relating to therapeutics, the branch of medicine that is concerned specifically with the treatment of disease.

A **therapeutic effect** is a consequence of a medical treatment of any kind, the results of which are judged to be desirable and beneficial.

Those changes which are viewed as desirable, given the situation, are called therapeutic; those undesirable for the situation are viewed as harmful.



# The Reality of Pain



Depression

Anxiety

Cancer

Spousal Mistreatment

Stress

Abuse

Job Loss

Anger

Childrearing frustration

Divorce

OCD

ADHD

Alcohol/Drug

Physical Impairment

Academic duress

Bipolar Disorder

Legal Binds

Migraines

Past domestic violence or abuse

Current domestic violence or abuse

Medical Illness

Lack of faith

Spiritual Immaturity

Death of a family member

Disgust

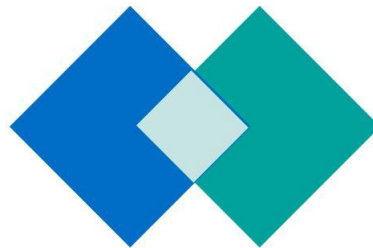
Financial strain

Resentment

Adapted from Equipped to Counsel by Dr. John Henderson



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# Two Questions

**Belief 1: A Christian has been given **LIFE** in Christ**

- 1. What are the pressing needs behind the calls?**
- 2. Who Do We Call and Why?**



# One Another Ministry – Foundation Beliefs

**Belief 1: A Christian has been given LIFE**

**in Christ**

**Belief 2: A Christian has been given LIGHT (and SIGHT)**

**in Christ**



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# At the Cross

by Isaac Watts and Ralph Hudson

REFRAIN

At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the **light**,

And the burden of my heart rolled away;

It was there by faith I received my **sight**,

And now I am happy all the day!



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A Christian has been given **LIGHT** (and **SIGHT**) in Christ



# One Another Ministry – Foundation Belief #2

A Christian has been given **LIGHT** and **SIGHT** in Christ

As Christians we have **LIGHT** and **SIGHT** in Christ which is uniquely different and superior to creation.



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# John 1:1-4

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

He was in the beginning with God.

All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

In Him was **life**, and the **life** was the **Light** of men. NASB





# John 1:5, John 3:19

The **Light** shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. NASB

This is the judgment, that the **Light** has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the **Light**, for their deeds were evil. NASB



# I Peter 2:9

But you are A CHOSEN RACE, a royal PRIESTHOOD, a HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR *GOD'S* OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous **light**. NASB



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# John 9

As He passed by, He saw a man blind from birth...

And Jesus said, “For judgment I came into the world, so that those who do not see may see, and that those who see may become blind.”

Those of the Pharisees who were with Him heard these things and said to Him, “We are not blind too, are we?”

Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no sin; but since you say, ‘We see’, your sin remains. NASB



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# Question

Who do we call and why?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.





# John 14:6

Jesus said to him,

“I am the way,

and the truth,

and the life;

No one comes to the Father but through Me. NASB



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# Discernment

- Purpose Driven Life
- Love Languages
- Boundaries
  
- Stephen Ministry
- Celebrate Recovery
- The Total Transformation Program
- Wild at Heart
- Tim LaHaye – Spirit Controlled Temperament
- Anything written by Joel Osteen

and so much more... ESPECIALLY COUNSELING WORLD



**Counseling  
world**



**Body of Christ**

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LIGHT involves \_\_\_\_\_

SIGHT involves \_\_\_\_\_



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# The Verse – Romans 15:14

This verse was the inspiration for Jay Adam's *Competent to Counsel* book

“And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and **able** also to **admonish** one another”. NASB



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# One Another Ministry

Loving one another  
Building up one another  
Caring for one another  
Admonishing one another  
Bearing one another's burdens  
Comforting one another  
Encouraging one another  
Honoring one another  
Enduring with one another  
Being kind to one another  
Submitting to one another  
Always seeking to do good to one another  
Accepting one another  
Confessing faults to one another  
Fellowshipping with one another  
Stirring up one another

**Counsel one another?**

Defining our terms:

Counseling



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