

# Sermon Notes

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Date: February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Series: The Fifth Gospel

Sermon: "The Comfort of God's Glory" (1)

Text: Isaiah 40:1-5

**Introduction:** Today we want to open up a fourth major section in Isaiah: The Comfort of the Gospel (chapters 40 – 55). Overwhelmingly, the tenor of the narrative up to now has been dark, foreboding, and difficult to hear.

But now, the majority of the narrative turns stunningly hopeful, upbeat, and forward looking. Many Christians are looking for their comfort in something other than the gospel.

In these chapters we will experience nine specific comforts of the gospel. The first of these comforts is:

I. The Comfort of God's \_\_\_\_\_ (40:1-31)

A. The glory of \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 1-2)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is ended (v.2a)

2. Iniquity is \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2b)

B. The glory of \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 3-5)

**Conclusion:** Two questions for believers today in closing:

1. Do we ever realize as believers, when we sin, that Jesus had to take the \_\_\_\_\_ for that \_\_\_\_\_ on Calvary?

2. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ the glory of God?

"Comfort,

COMFORT

MY ♥

PEOPLE,"

says your God.

Isaiah 40:1

BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH

February 11, 2024

Services @ 8:30 & 11:00 am • Sunday School @ 10:00 am

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# Welcome

Thank you for joining us today at Berean Baptist Church. We would delight in assisting you in any way that we can. **Please feel free to stop by the Welcome Center after the 11 AM Morning Worship.** Information regarding children's classes and our check-in system are located in the lobby at the child check-in

# Prayer

## Missionary of the Month:

AJ & Aven Meiring ~ Japan ~ Overseas Missionary Fellowship

**Prayer Families of the Week:** Eric & Heather Hoffman, Matthew & Meghann Molnar, Jason & Dolly Cassar, Joshua Passow

**Prayer Ministry of the Month:** Safety & Security Team

# Calendar

<p><b><u>Monday 12th</u></b></p> <p>Anchormen 7:30 AM Revel 7 PM Men's Meeting 6:15 PM</p>	<p><b><u>Tuesday 13th</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday 14th</u></b></p> <p>Womens AM Bible Study 9:30 am</p> <p>Revere &amp; Recharge - 7pm (M &amp; W Bible Studies, Youth Group, Children's Programs)</p>
<p><b><u>Thursday 15th</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Friday 16th</u></b></p> <p>Youth Event 7PM</p>	<p><b><u>Saturday 17th</u></b></p>

For a detailed listing of future events, please refer to our website calendar: [www.bereanlife.org/calendar/](http://www.bereanlife.org/calendar/)

# Stewardship

Tithes/Offerings:	\$58,430.36	YTD Giving:	\$109,145.68
Weekly Budget:	\$16,368.83	YTD Budget:	\$81,844.13
YTD Missions:	\$15,957.41	Building Fund:	\$301,757.34
Local Missions:	\$81,241.93		

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# Announcements

## NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

We are preparing for the launch of our new adult Sunday School class next Sunday, **February 18<sup>th</sup>, at 10 am** in The Commons (first room to the right as one enters the east foyer doors). Anthony Lange will be the primary teacher and Terry McIntosh will be class facilitator. We envision the nature of the class to include a variety of teachers covering various subjects and texts in shorter segments of instruction. We hope it will be a very interactive class peppered with significant discussions, questions, and fellowship. All are welcome to attend but we are especially inviting those whose Sunday mornings have not yet included a consistent Sunday School dynamic. Pray on it, won't you?

## CHILDREN'S EVENT

The Social Committee is planning another elementary age (K-5th grade) activity scheduled for **Saturday, February 24th, from 10 am to 11:30 am** here at the church. We are asking participants to bring an item to "decorate" or "bedazzle". Items might include, backpacks, ball caps, tote bags, T-shirts, sweatshirts, and the like. These activities have provided a wonderful time of fellowship, group identity-building, and just plain fun. Light refreshments will be provided. Mark your calendar for the kids to have a great time together.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY RETREAT

It is that time of the year to register for the annual Women's retreat! This year, the retreat will be held at Michindoh conference center on **March 15-16th**. The ticket price is \$120 and includes dinner on Friday, and Breakfast and Lunch on Saturday, along with lodging and other goodies and surprises planned! This is a great way to connect with other Berean ladies and enjoy a fun and worshipful weekend. **Registration will close on February 25th**, and spaces are limited, so don't delay! We hope you can make it! Once registration closes, you will receive an email with more retreat details and important things to bring. If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Mullins and Amanda McLaughlin. You can register at the link below: [bit.ly/Womensministry](http://bit.ly/Womensministry)

## UPCOMING BABY SHOWERS

Please join us for a baby shower honoring **Elizabeth Chariyan on Saturday, March 2nd at 11 am** in the Fellowship Chapel. RSVP to Andrea Cork @ 734-751-6851 by **February 24th**. If you would like to contribute towards the group gift, please contact Brecken Mumford by February 24th. Elizabeth is registered at Amazon & Target.

Please join us for a baby shower honoring **Bretta Hessling on Saturday, March 23rd at 11 am** in the Fellowship Chapel. RSVP to Maryann Hessling @ 734-716-1016 by **March 9th**. If you would like to contribute towards the group gift, please contact Selecia Favazza @ 734-658-2933. Bretta is registered at Amazon & Target.