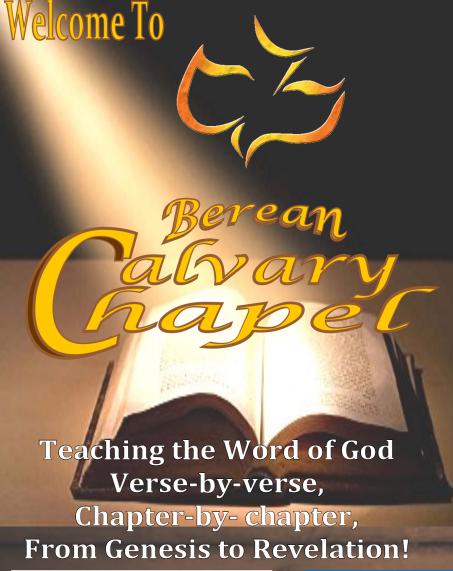
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Put yourself in their 1st century sandals for a moment. The disciples on Emmaus said, "and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. "But we WERE hoping (past tense) that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened (Luke 24:20-21). Clearly, this turn of events did not turn out as they expected. They had not understood that Christ needed to suffer, die and raise again. So, from their limited understanding at that time, it looked like an unmitigated disaster. Purely from a natural human perspective, Jesus being crucified and dving on the cross LOOKED like a failure. They were looking at the seen and not at the unseen. For the things that are seen are temporal, but the things that are not seen are eternal. When Christ died on the Cross it was not a failure but total, absolute victory! Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it. This is a great encouragement for us. Our lives may look in the eyes of others as a total failure, a disappointment, a tragedy. But not with God. It's like the poem, The Weaver. We see the backside of the tapestry, with all it's messy knots and tangled threads and we can't make sense of it, whereas God sees the beautiful artwork that is being created out of our lives, which will be revealed to us at a time of His choosing. For we are His workmanship created in Christ...

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE TELL US ABOUT WHY WE EXIST? WHAT DOES THE BIBLE TELL US ABOUT THE FUTURE? WHAT DOES THE BIBLE TELL US ABOUT THE CHURCH? If you'd like to meet with Pastor Frank Sr. to discuss these or other questions about what the Bible tells us about life and the world we live in he'd be happy to meet with you! *Give him a call this week at 315-656-7021 or 315-415-6730!* 



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## **Service Times:**

Sunday ~ 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Wednesday ~ 7 pm



<u>TODAY</u> <u>10:15</u> ~ PLEASE join us downstairs for Coffee Hour EVERYONE WELCOME!

Also, Womens' Prayer in the big Sunday School room.

11 a.m. ~ Children's Program downstairs for ages 2 - Grade 6

## THIS WEEK:

TUESDAY @ 6 PM ~ Adult Dinner Night (please sign up).

WEDNESDAY @ 7:00 ~Discussion Bible Study through the book of James led by Pastor Frank Sr., downstairs in the fellowship hall.

**The Lord Loves a Cheerful Giver!** ~ If you arrived after the Offering was received there is an Offering box located at the back of the auditorium where you can also place your tithes and offerings.

## **Mark your calendars!**

 $\star$  <u>SEPT. 27-28</u> ~ Women's Retreat at Casowasco

X OCT. 11-12 ~ Men's Retreat at Casowasco

Room is limited so sign up today! Information flyers available on the table under the Sign Ups bulletin board.



## The Cost Of His Presence

What we've known as the Tabernacle was called the 'Mishkan'. It was the very first house of God; the dwelling place of God's glory; the place of Heaven's dwelling. And yet it wasn't built of heavenly materials. It was built of earthly things. It was built from wheat the Hebrews gave. And they have from what they had; their jewelry, their cloth, their adornments, whatever they had. They gave of their lives. It wasn't the material that was holy - it was the fact that they gave it, they sacrificed it, and they surrendered it for God's holy purposes. And the glory of God indwelt it. So too, with your life. When you give to the purposes of God, your time, your money, your heart, your talents, your plans & ambitions, that which you give becomes holy. The Lord doesn't as you for much . . . Just all. And we all have an all to give. Just give all of it, whatever you have, no matter what it is, the materials of your life - give them to God for His purposes, and they will become holy, and the glory of God will come down.

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