

CALVARY HEIGHTS

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Our Next
Sermon Series:
Daniel

ROARING LIKE A LION Our Next Sermon Series: Daniel

By Pastor Matt Higgins

“Tolerance is the virtue of the man without convictions.” - G.K. Chesterton

Imagine being forcibly carried off over thousands of miles to a foreign country, where the idols Bel and Anu are worshipped instead of the true and living God. Your name is changed from one that honors God to another name that sings praises to an idol. You are subjected to a forcible education of re-programming, where you are marked to serve as an ambassador to your new

home. Your new king demands that you dine on food sacrificed to idols and bow down in worship of colossal golden idols.

How do you avoid compromising your faith in God?

This is the challenge of Daniel - a strong-willed teenager consigned to the courts of the Babylonian King Nebuchadnezzar in 606 BC. In spite of the repeated threat of death, Daniel never

compromised his exceptional faith in God.

Beginning in **March 2013**, our next sermon series will focus on the life of Daniel, who lived an uncompromising life in the midst of a compromising world. As we journey through the book of Daniel, God is going to speak to us about what it means to possess an unshakeable and unwavering faith. God desires for our faith to roar like a lion - not to be muzzled in silence.

Whatever It Takes

The 2013 Annie Armstrong Offering

By North American Mission Board (NAMB)

Each year, we honor the life and work of Annie Walker Armstrong (1850-1938) when we give to the annual offering for North American missions named after her. As a tireless servant of God and a contagious advocate and supporter of mission efforts throughout the world, Annie Armstrong led women to unite in mission endeavors that ultimately led to the formation of Woman's Missionary Union, for which she served as the first corresponding secretary.

Annie believed in Christ with all her heart, but it was her hands that expressed that belief in tangible ways. She spent a great amount of time typing and handwriting letters in support of missions. Many of these letters were quite lengthy and all were filled with conviction that more could and should be done in our mission efforts. In 1893 alone, she wrote almost 18,000 letters! Annie also never hesitated to use her hands to reach out to hug a child or distribute food and clothing and the Word of God to those in need. Her hands held her own Bible as she studied to know how best to share God's love with others. And, most important, Annie was a woman of prayer, folding her hands in prayer to intercede for the missionaries and for those they were helping discover Christ.

Annie rallied churches to give more, pray more, and do more for reaching people for Christ. As we continue to unite to make her vision a reality in North America today, we can be confident that her legacy will also be ours.

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering® is much more than an offering envelope and an annual missions-giving emphasis. When people give to the offering, 100 percent of their gift will be transformed into missionary salaries and ministry supplies. Those missionaries and supplies will help others hear the message of Christ and respond in faith to His offer of salvation. Time and again our missionaries relate how the offering is their lifeblood. They know that behind each penny given, there is a Southern Baptist who believes in what they do and are affirming the need to equip them to share the gospel with those who need a Savior.

For more information on the annual Annie Armstrong missions offering (including the 2013 prayer guide for North American missionaries), go to the official website:

www.annicarmstrong.com

How You Can Help:
 During the month of March, you will have a special opportunity to give to the Annie Armstrong missions offering during our Sunday morning worship service. Please give generously for the sake of the Gospel.



Week of Prayer for
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 Easter Offering®

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 ACTS 8:26-31

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TOP 10 WAYS to make sure that guests **DON'T** come back to church

Excerpt From *Fresh Ideas* By Diana Davis

10. Never ask a guest's name. If you somehow discover it, certainly don't call them by name. You don't want to get too friendly on their first visit.

9. Never sit near or beside a guest at church. If they look uncomfortable or lonely, don't worry. It's not your responsibility.

8. Look generally miserable. Frown often. Make it obvious that church is a serious thing and smiles are inappropriate.

7. Don't give guests directions to Sunday School classrooms. Hallways should be empty when guests arrive. Guests are smart enough to figure where they belong.

6. Don't invite a guest to Sunday School or church events. You don't want to appear too forward.

5. Sit at the end of a pew and allow guests to climb over you. Reserve seats for friends and hold your ground if a guest attempts to infringe. If a guest happens to sit in "your seat" in the worship service, tell them to move to another location.



4. Tell the guest how many years that you've been a member of the church, and inform them of how ignorant they are as far as how the church works. Speak using "inside church" terms that guests will need to learn.

3. Appear as bored and disinterested as possible. Count the ceiling tiles. Play on your iPhone. Look at your watch or clock often. Write a grocery list. Take a nap. Don't sing. Don't open your Bible. Don't bring your Bible. Don't take any sermon notes. Whisper loudly to your neighbor.

2. Snort softly if a guest arrives late. Roll your eyes if a child wiggles or speaks.

1. During the invitation, loudly gather up your personal belongings. Feel free to leave during the invitation, since you have important things waiting on you. The invitation is not for you ... It's for someone else that needs it.

NOTE: If your church wants to reach total strangers for Jesus Christ, do the exact opposite of these 10 items.



Two excited participants in last year's Easter Sunday Egg Hunt.

EASTER SERVICES

By Pastor Matt Higgins

We invite you to join us as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ!

On Good Friday, our church will be participating in the "**Secret Church**" simulcast from 6 PM to Midnight. Pastor David Platt will be teaching through every Biblical reference to Heaven, Hell and the End of the World. Cost to participate will be \$15/person.

On Easter morning (March 31, 2013), we will have several opportunities for you to worship with us. Our worship services will begin with a **Sunrise Worship Service** at 8 AM in our Sanctuary. Immediately thereafter, we will serve an **Easter Breakfast** at 8:30 AM, which will include an **Easter Egg Hunt** for children (up to 5th grade). Finally, our services will conclude with a special **Worship Service** at 10:45 PM.

GET INVOLVED!
@ Calvary Heights

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Spring **Men's and Women's Bible Studies** will begin on Sunday evenings starting **March 10, 2013** at 6PM. Our women will be studying through Beth Moore's *When Godly People Do UnGodly Things*, focusing on finding the forgiveness and restoration of God. Our men will be studying through the Pastoral Epistles (1 Timothy, 2 Timothy and Titus) and learning what it takes to be a real "man of God." Cost of the women's Bible study will be \$13/person. No cost for the men's Bible study.

All mothers are invited to participate in our monthly **MOPS** program, designed to give you some restful time in God's Word ... While our church volunteers watch your kids! Our next MOPS meeting will be held on **March 20, 2013** at 9 AM.

Don't forget that we have **Family Night Activities every Wednesday night** at 6:30 PM. Children ages 3 through 5th grade participate in Children In Action (CiA), where they learn about missions throughout the world. Our youth (grades 6-12) participate in our REVEAL youth ministry. Come get involved!



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WEEKLY EVENTS:

Sundays:

- 9:30 AM - Sunday School
- 10:45 AM - Worship
- 5:00 PM - Puppet Team Practice
- 6:00 PM - Bible Study

Wednesdays (Family Night):

- 6:30 PM - Children in Action
- 6:30 PM - Reveal Youth Group
- 6:30 PM - Outreach Team
- 7:30 PM - Worship Team Practice

UPCOMING CHURCH CALENDAR:

- March 1-2 - Transformed Women's Conference
- March 3 - Annie Armstrong Offering Kick-Off
- March 4 - 1st Monday Prayer Meeting (6:30 PM)
- March 10 - Communion Sunday & Pitch-In Fellowship (10:45 AM)
- March 10 - Men's & Women's Bible Study Kick-Off (6 PM)
- March 15-16 - Pure Girl Retreat (Highland Lakes)
- March 20 - MOPS (9 AM)
- March 22-23 - Pure Girl Retreat (Highland Lakes)
- March 29 - Secret Church Simulcast (6 PM)
- March 31 - Easter Sunday (see article)
- April 1 - 1st Monday Prayer Meeting (6:30 PM)
- April 14 - Business Meeting (5 PM)
- April 17 - MOPS (9 AM)
- April 21 - Ladies Lunch (Noon)