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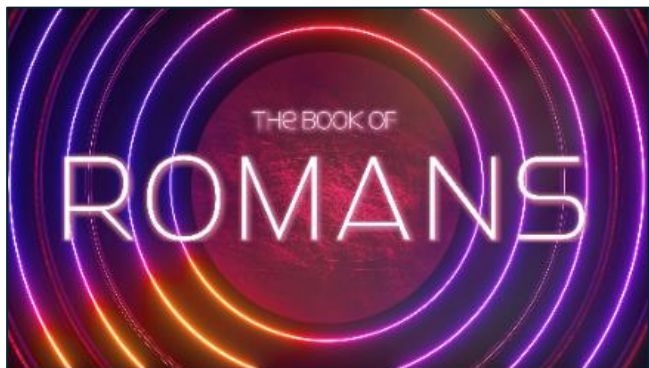


# Freedom

## Scripture

- <sup>1</sup> *What should we say then? Should we continue in sin so that grace may multiply?*
- <sup>2</sup> *Absolutely not! How can we who died to sin still live in it?*
- <sup>3</sup> *Or are you unaware that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?*
- <sup>4</sup> *Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too may walk in newness of life.*
- <sup>5</sup> *For if we have been united with him in the likeness of his death, we will certainly also be in the likeness of his resurrection.*
- <sup>6</sup> *For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be rendered powerless so that we may no longer be enslaved to sin,*
- <sup>7</sup> *since a person who has died is freed<sup>[a]</sup> from sin.*
- <sup>8</sup> *Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him,*
- <sup>9</sup> *because we know that Christ, having been raised from the dead, will not die again. Death no longer rules over him.*
- <sup>10</sup> *For the death he died, he died to sin once for all time; but the life he lives, he lives to God.*
- <sup>11</sup> *So, you too consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.*
- <sup>12</sup> *Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, so that you obey its desires.*
- <sup>13</sup> *And do not offer any parts of it to sin as weapons for unrighteousness. But as those who are alive from the dead, offer yourselves to God, and all the parts of yourselves to God as weapons for righteousness.*
- <sup>14</sup> *For sin will not rule over you, because you are not under the law but under grace.*

*Romans 6:1-14 CSB*



## Additional Resources

*Explore the Bible: Romans, Fall 2026; [Biblegateway.com](http://Biblegateway.com); [preceptaustin.org](http://preceptaustin.org);  
[Biblehub.com/commentaries](http://Biblehub.com/commentaries); The New American Commentary, Romans, Robert H. Mounce*

# Connect Church Notes



**Date**

**Speaker**

**Key Verses**

**Key Points**

**Questions / Reflections**



# God's Word-Devoted to Him

## *We are no longer slaves to sin*

*For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be rendered powerless so that we may no longer be enslaved to sin*  
Romans 6:6

*Christian, what do you have to do with sin? Hasn't it cost you enough already? Child, you have already been burned— will you still play with the fire? When you have already been caught between the jaws of the lion, will you step a second time into its den? Haven't you had enough of the old serpent? He already poisoned you once— will you play near the cobra's den and put your hand in the viper's nest a second time?*

*Don't be insane! Don't be so foolish! Did sin ever give you real pleasure? Did you find any solid satisfaction in it? If you say it delights you, then go back to your old drudgery and wear the chains again. But realize that sin never gives you what it promises; it simply deludes you with lies. Don't be snared by the old fowler— be free and let the memory of your earlier bondage keep you from entering the net again. It is contrary to the designs of eternal love, which has an eye to your purity and holiness. Don't run counter to your Lord's purposes.*

*Another thought should restrain you from sin: Christians can never sin cheaply— they pay a heavy price for wickedness. Transgression destroys peace of mind, obscures fellowship with Jesus, hinders prayer, and brings darkness over the soul. So don't be the serf and slave of sin.*

*And there is an even higher argument. Each time we are slaves to sin, we are "crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting him to public disgrace" (Hebrews 6:6). Can you bear that thought? Oh, if you have fallen into any particular sin today, it may be that my Master has sent this warning tonight, to bring you back before you slide too far. Turn again to Jesus— He has not forgotten His love for you, His grace is still the same. With tears and repentance, come to His feet and you will again be received into His heart. You will be set once more on a rock, on "a firm place to stand" (Psalm 40:23).*

*Morning and Evening – Charles Spurgeon*



*Neglecting prayer is not a weakness; it is a sinful choice.*

*Ben Jennings*

# DAILY BIBLE STUDY

**SCRIPTURE** - Read the passage of the day

**OBSERVATION** - Write the point of the passage

**APPLICATION** - Ask yourself how this Scripture applies to your life

**PRAYER** - Ask God to help you use this Scripture

## Struggle

### Main Passage for October 11 – Romans 7:4-6, 14-25 CSB

**Monday** - Romans 7:4-6

**Wednesday** - Romans 7:17-20

**Friday** - Romans 7:23-24

**Tuesday** - Romans 7:14-16

**Thursday** - Romans 7:21-22

**Saturday** - Romans 7:25

*Memory Verse: Romans 7:4*

*Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you also were put to death in relation to the law through the body of Christ so that you may belong to another. You belong to Him who was raised from the dead in order that we may bear fruit for God.*

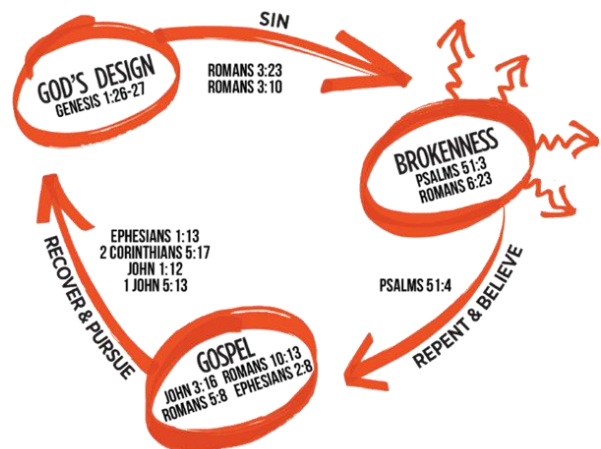
## Mission Statement

Glorifying God by connecting people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ

### Connect Church Prayer Request

UNBELIEF CREATES A  
VACUUM IN YOUR LIFE THAT  
THE ENEMY IS MORE THAN  
WILLING TO FILL.

GRAHAM COOKE





# Connect Church

## Attendance & Offering

Attendance - 856

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## Give It Now Or Give It Later

People ask, "should I give now, or should I hang on to it, hoping my investments will do well and I'll have more to give in a year or two?"

I respond with two questions of my own: "how soon do you want to experience God's blessing?" and "Do you want to be sure the money goes to God's kingdom, or are you willing to risk that it won't?"

When we stand before God, I don't believe he'll say, "you blew it when you gave me all that money before the stock market peaked."

I don't believe it's ever wrong to give now. With 10,000 percent interest (Matthew 19:29). God can produce far greater returns on money invested in heaven today than Wall Street or real estate ever can.

If you don't give now, you could be taking some real risks:

- The economy may change and we'll have less to give. God says we don't know what's going to happen tomorrow (James 4:13-17). Countless investors have been "absolutely sure" about getting great returns on money that disappears overnight.
- Our hearts may change and we may not follow through with giving. Zaccheus said, "here and now I give my possessions (emphasis mine)." If you procrastinate, the same heart that's prompting you to give today may later persuade you not to. Why? Because as a result of postponing giving, your heart's vested interests increase on earth and decrease in heaven.
- Our lives may end before we've given what we intended.

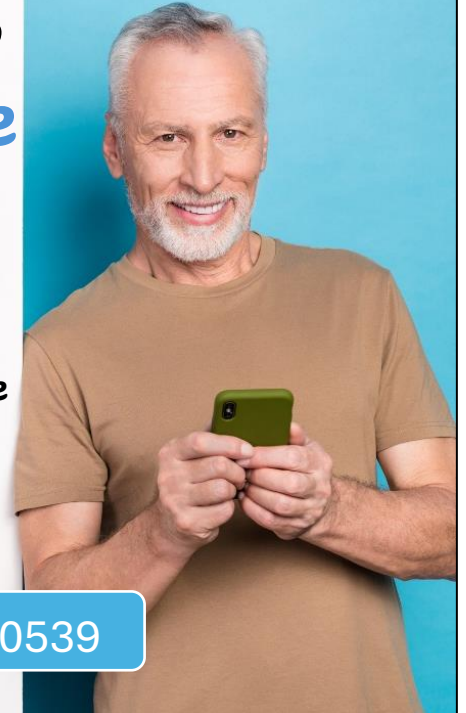
You may think, no problem then. I'm putting my church and ministries in my will. By all means, do your real estate planning and give heavily to God's kingdom. But what kind of trust does it take to part with your money once you die? You don't have any choice!

To be continued from...  
The Treasure Principle

## Text to Tithe

Simple  
Quick  
Secure

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## Offering

God doesn't care if we have stuff;  
He cares if stuff has us.



# Connect Church



## CONNECTION GROUPS

### SUNDAY

**Parents of Young Children** - 9:00 AM - Marlon Francis:  
m4francis@gmail.com

**Students** - 9:00 AM - Tristan Nelson: tristan@cc.today

**Young Adults** - 9:00 AM - Tristan Nelson: tristan@cc.today

**Adults** - 9:00 AM - Sam Jay: jays717@bellsouth.net

**Adults** - 10:30 AM - Clayton Hutcheson: claybmw@bellsouth.net

**Adults** - 4:00 PM (online)

Dr. Janet Plummer: askadminex@gmail.com

**Men** - 6:00 PM - Mike Herod: mike.a.herod@gmail.com

### MONDAY

**Men** - 7:00 PM - Edgar Gregory: egregoriac@gmail.com

### TUESDAY

**Ladies** - 9:30 AM - Tryna Groat: atgroat619@hotmail.com

**Men** - 7:00 PM - Chip Hausman: jwmhausman@gmail.com  
and Jim Bass: jbass1961@gmail.com

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### WEDNESDAY

**MomCo** - 9:00 AM - Allie Royal: momco.connect@gmail.com

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**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Dale Faircloth: dale@cc.today

**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Victor Manoharan:  
woodhavenanimalclinic@gmail.com

**Worship Team** - 7:00 PM - Duval Madrigal:  
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**Ladies** - 7:00 PM - J. Virginia Murray: jvirginiam@gmail.com

**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Sam Burton: skburton@bellsouth.net

**Ladies** - 7:00 PM - Molly Maharaj: merrymolly@rocketmail.com

**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Ed Samour: ed@ecengineers.com

### THURSDAY

**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Leslie Dakers: ladakes@hotmail.com

### SATURDAY

**Men** - 9:00 AM - Grantley Coulthrust:  
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and Harlan Miller: hmliller@hgpmcorp.com

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# Connect Church

*Join us for  
Refreshments  
on the Patio  
Today*



*Stay and Visit  
Following  
the Service!*

**Young Adults - Cookout**  
*October 4<sup>th</sup>*

**Ephesians – Bible Study**  
*October 6<sup>th</sup>*

**AWANA – Fall Colors Night**  
*October 7<sup>th</sup>*

**United in Pink**  
**Breast Cancer Awareness Walk**  
*October 10<sup>th</sup>*

**Connect Teens Adult Volunteers**  
**Fun Depot**  
*October 11<sup>th</sup>*



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Connect Church  
Event Page*



## **Young Adults Cookout**

**Young Adults Ministry**

**October 4th - 6:00 PM**

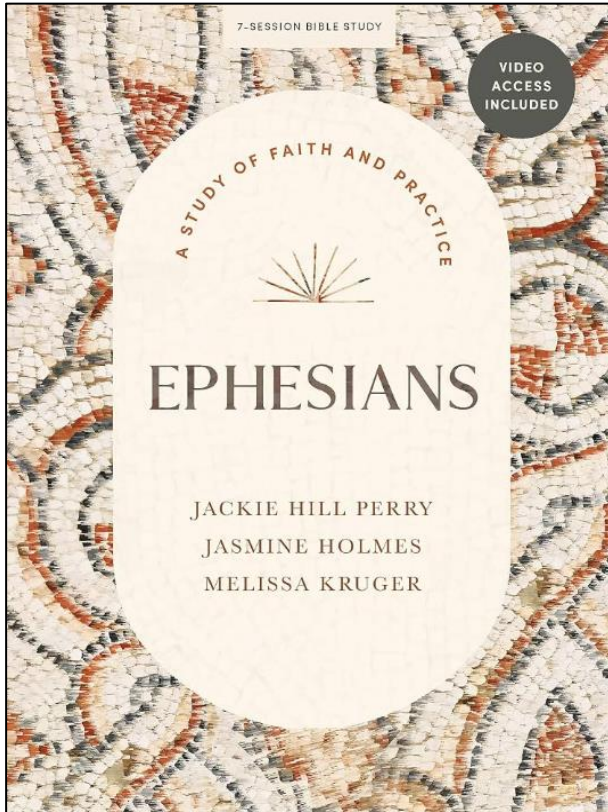
**Activity Center**



**For more information:  
Tristan.Nelson@cc.today**



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## Women's Bible Study

October 6th - 9:30 AM

Coffee Shop



**For more information:**

Carissa Reese: [kissa7777@gmail.com](mailto:kissa7777@gmail.com)

Workbooks Available for Purchase in the Resource Center

## Fall Colors Night October 7th



**Dress in beautiful Fall colors  
to celebrate the season!  
Red, Orange, Yellow, Brown**





# Connect Church

## United in Pink

Breast Cancer Awareness Walk  
Women's Ministry

October 10th - 9:00 AM

**Commons Park**

11600 Poinciana Blvd. Royal Palm Beach



For more info. - RoQuanda Guy:  
[roquanda.guy@cc.today](mailto:roquanda.guy@cc.today)  
Registration: [cc.today](http://cc.today)

## CONSIDERING BAPTISM?

BEACH BAPTISM

NOVEMBER 1ST

4:00 PM



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## Fun Depot

**Connect Teen  
Adult Volunteers**

**October 11th**

**6:00 PM**

2003 10th Ave. N. Lake Worth, FL



**Cost - \$30.00**

**Registration - [cc.today](http://cc.today)**

For additional information - [tristan.nelson@cc.today](mailto:tristan.nelson@cc.today)

## The Generational Love Conference Women's Ministry

**October 17th - 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Connect Church Campus**



**Cost - \$25.00 Per Person**

**Registration and Information - [cc.today](http://cc.today)**





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**CC GUEST NETWORK**

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*Come & Explore*

*Come & Grow*

*Come & Serve*

*Come & Lead*

## Leadership Team

Dr. Dale R. Faircloth / Elder and Lead Pastor

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Clayton Hutcheson / Elder

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