

THE MESSAGE

Running With The Giants

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1. Great _____ are always an opportunity for great _____.

2. Great faith _____ on how _____ God is, not how _____ the _____ is.

3. Great faith requires _____.

4. Great faith keeps _____.

Nehemiah 1 (CSB) - ¹The words of Nehemiah son of Hacaliah: During the month of Chislev in the twentieth year, when I was in the fortress city of Susa, ²Hanani, one of my brothers, arrived with men from Judah, and I questioned them about Jerusalem and the Jewish remnant that had survived the exile. ³They said to me, "The remnant in the province, who survived the exile, are in great trouble and disgrace. Jerusalem's wall has been broken down, and its gates have been burned."

⁴When I heard these words, I sat down and wept. I mourned for a number of days, fasting and praying before the God of the heavens. ⁵I said,

Lord, the God of the heavens, the great and awe-inspiring God who keeps his gracious covenant with those who love him and keep his commands, ⁶let your eyes be open and your ears be attentive to hear your servant's prayer that I now pray to you day and night for your servants, the Israelites. I confess the sins we have committed against you. Both I and my father's family have sinned. ⁷We have acted corruptly toward you and have not kept the commands, statutes, and ordinances you gave your servant Moses. ⁸Please remember what you commanded your servant Moses: "If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the peoples. ⁹But if you return to me and carefully observe my commands, even though your exiles were banished to the farthest horizon, I will gather them from there and bring them to the place where I chose to have my name dwell." ¹⁰They are your servants and your people. You redeemed them by your great power and strong hand. ¹¹Please, Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of your servant and to that of your servants who delight to revere your name. Give your servant success today, and grant him compassion in the presence of this man.

MESSAGE NOTES

At the time, I was the king's cupbearer.

Nehemiah 2:1-9 (CSB) - ¹During the month of Nisan in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was set before him, I took the wine and gave it to the king. I had never been sad in his presence, ²so the king said to me, "Why are you sad, when you aren't sick? This is nothing but sadness of heart."

I was overwhelmed with fear ³and replied to the king, "May the king live forever! Why should I not be sad when the city where my ancestors are buried lies in ruins and its gates have been destroyed by fire?"

⁴Then the king asked me, "What is your request?"

So I prayed to the God of the heavens ⁵and answered the king, "If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor with you, send me to Judah and to the city where my ancestors are buried, so that I may rebuild it."

⁶The king, with the queen seated beside him, asked me, "How long will your journey take, and when will you return?" So I gave him a definite time, and it pleased the king to send me.

⁷I also said to the king: "If it pleases the king, let me have letters written to the governors of the region west of the Euphrates River, so that they will grant me safe passage until I reach Judah. ⁸And let me have a letter written to Asaph, keeper of the king's forest, so that he will give me timber to rebuild the gates of the temple's fortress, the city wall, and the home where I will live." The king granted my requests, for the gracious hand of my God was on me.

⁹I went to the governors of the region west of the Euphrates and gave them the king's letters. The king had also sent officers of the infantry and cavalry with me.

Psalms 23:4 (CSB) - Even when I go through the darkest valley, I fear no danger, for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

Luke 1:37 (CSB) - For nothing will be impossible with God.

Ephesians 3:20 (CSB) - Now to him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us.

MINISTRIES

Visit **CAchurch.com** for info on available ministries or email us: **info@cachurch.com**

Men | Women | Fusion 18-35yrs | Life Groups
CA Students (6th-12th) | Kids Church
Thrive Growth & Recovery | Stewardship
Counseling at The Relationship Center
Kingdom & Evangelism

WAYS TO GIVE



Go to **CAchurch.com** or use the envelope in the seatbacks at our services.

Financial Update

2020 General Budget:
\$8,100,000

YTD 01.31.20 - Requirement:
\$623,076.92

YTD 01.31.20 - Offering:
\$507,843.11

January Kingdom Offering: **\$39,063.75**
YTD Kingdom Offering: **\$39,063.75**



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WELCOME

March 8, 2020

Worship God
Become part of His **Family**
Extend His **Kingdom**

Christian Assembly

WELCOME!

We're so glad you've chosen to join us!

Christian Assembly (CA) is a community started in response to God's grace shown to us through Jesus Christ. **That grace compels us to lead spiritually convicted and unconvinced people to complete commitment to Jesus Christ.**

We don't profess to have all the answers, but we do believe there is a God who is worth knowing and following. Whether you are simply curious about Jesus or have been a long-time follower of Christ, we welcome you and are excited you are with us today.

Enjoy the service!

Tom Hughes & Mark Pickerill
Co-Lead Pastors

NEW?

- We'd love to meet you! Stop by our **New People's Table** in the lobby where we have a welcome gift for you.
- There is a **Connection Card** in the seatbacks that you can use to ask questions, submit a prayer request or just let us know you're visiting. Fill it out and drop it in the offering bag or at the New People's Table.
- If you have an infant or you'd like your child to be with you during service, there is a **family room** that is equipped with a live feed of the service as well as a private **nursing room** for mothers. Just ask an usher!

INFORMATION



The Bible tells us that we are surrounded by a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith and that we should run with endurance the race God has set before us. Join us next weekend as we continue in our series **Running With The Giants**. Each week we will look at the faith of a different "giant". We will see what God has to say for us through the faith of Noah, Rahab, Nehemiah and others. Invite a few friends and join us each weekend as God uses their faith then to strengthen ours now.



KIDS CHURCH

Our Kids Church Program is offered during all services for children from birth to 5th grade. For more information stop by the Kids Church tent or visit: cakidschurch.com

Do you have junior or senior high school-aged kids? We offer programs for junior high (grades 6-8) Saturdays at 6pm and high school (grades 9-12) Wednesdays at 7pm. For more info visit: castudents.com



Fusion is one of our weekend services and is specifically geared toward 18-35 year olds. We meet on Sunday nights @ 6pm. Join us! For more info visit: cafusion.com

OPPORTUNITIES

CA MEN'S EVENTS

MEN'S GATHERING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1ST
7PM / SOUTH SANCTUARY

GATHER
WORSHIP TOGETHER
HEAR AN INSPIRING WORD FROM A GUEST SPEAKER
HANG OUT AND EAT

MEN'S RETREAT

TWO RETREAT WEEKENDS
APRIL 24-26
OR
MAY 1-3

SAME CONTENT
SAME ACCOMODATIONS
SAME GOD MEETING YOU THERE
PICK YOUR WEEKEND AND REGISTER NOW

CACHURCH.COM/MEN

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tonight at The Cafe

Join us across the street after service as we have live music by Sean Beck, a meal for sale by Zankou Chicken and beverages for sale! All proceeds of The Cafe are donated to our Kingdom efforts, so come support while you enjoy time with friends!

March Madness BBQ

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for our Fusion March Madness BBQ on **Saturday, Mar. 21!** There will be food, lawn games, multiple screens to watch the basketball games, and an opportunity to hang out with other young adults in our community. Invite a friend and come join us! For more info, pick up a flyer in the lobby or email: piseys@cachurch.com

The Way (18-23s)

Mark your calendars! The Way is starting up again next month: **Wednesdays, Apr. 15, 22, & 29.** We hope you'll join us on this journey with Jesus! More info at cafusion.com/theway.

Homeless Ministry

On **Mar. 28 (10am-12:30pm)**, we are going to Union Rescue Mission (URM) to serve those experiencing homelessness on Skid Row. For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/kingdom.

Easter Decoration Volunteers

Do you enjoy painting and working on crafts and decorations? We need volunteers to help with Kids Church Easter. We're meeting every **Thursday in March from 2-5pm**, you're also welcome to come by another day or take crafts home to work on. If you're interested, please email: carlam@cachurch.com.

Multi-ethnic Learning Group

The multi-ethnic learning group seeks to grow in love for Jesus and for one another by learning from God's Word, listening to one another with humility, and encouraging one another in our ethnic journeys. Next meeting is on **Wednesday, Mar. 11 (7pm)**. For more info and meeting locale, email: sandy.schaupp@gmail.com.

Coronavirus

In light of the recent news on the coronavirus and for your care and the care for others, we remind you to wash your hands often with soap and water. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands. Cover your cough or sneeze. If you are sick or have flu-like symptoms, stay home. The Surgeon General of the United States is asking all of us to **not be fearful but to be alert.**