

Word Notes Sunday 21/09/14 Roy Wheeler - Arise

Summary (read this bit out to remind cell members what was said on Sunday)

(Roy's preach was key to where NCC is going, this summary hardly does it justice. You are urged to go to the NCC website and listen to the podcast.)

Key Text: Joshua 1:1,2

Roy compared the new times of Joshua to those of Moses and the characteristics of their two generations. Just as Joshua led in new times so Roy believes God is calling NCC leadership to take the church into a new place of blessing as we step out into Newmarket, crossing over into all that has been promised from the very beginning of NCC being planted out from High Street Baptist Isleham.

The differences were:

Moses' Congregation	Joshua's Congregation	NCC
Wilderness Wanderers	Promise Possessors	What has God promised NCC over the years?
Tabernacle Builders	City Conquerors	Who impacted the land, giving refuge to ex-offenders
Fearful	Courageous	Persevere and you will receive what God has promised
Unbelieving	Faith-filled	Faith is for now and faith is useless without action (James 2).
Rebels	Submissive	Joshua people obeyed God and submitted to their leaders authority.
Backward Looking	Forward Looking	The next day ALL the people got up and moved out ready to be with God. Are you ready for 28/9?
Grumblers & Complainers	Praisers	NB in 1 Cor 10 "grumbling" is right alongside sexual immorality in Paul's list of things we are warned about. Joshua people knew how to praise, Paul & Silas knew to praise and saw the result of freedom for all and salvation.

There is clear biblical evidence that prayer and praise brings breakthrough, not just in personal lives but in locality. Three days they camped by the Jordan waiting for God to do a new thing, "When you see the priests carrying the arc you are to move from your position and follow it and will know the way to go as you have never been this way before." Surely speaks of being led by the worshippers and the presence of God. Stay close to The Lord as we have not been this way before and sanctify yourselves for God wants to do amazing things among you and don't get set ideas on what the amazing things are: at Jericho he used a prostitute, what will he do, who will he use in Newmarket?

Application (this is the bit where cell members get to participate. Lead discussions around these points)

Go through the list above and discuss what it means to be part of Joshua's congregation now in Newmarket Community Church. Take each heading in turn and ask people to share what being like that means to them, what is ready in their lives and what needs to be changed.

Round off with prayer for situations, attitudes, circumstances that need to change in our own lives and in Newmarket for us to see the promises of God fulfilled in our generation.

Witness (this is the bit where the cell talks and prays about how to share the Good News)

Get ready for Sunday 28th September!