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## From the Pastor.....

Church Family,

Have you egged anyone this week? We are excited about what God has planned for us this Friday and Sunday. I meant to tell you that Friday night is a great time to bring your kids. Everything we have is hands on. Your children will be able to touch and feel their way through the worship experience. Please be here at 6:00pm for our Good Friday service expecting God to move in you.

It is so easy, in the hectic lives we live, to lose sight of what God can do. In Mark 9, Jesus comes down from the transfiguration to a group of people who are arguing with each other. A man's son is possessed by an evil spirit who is throwing him to the ground causing him to foam at the mouth and seize. Jesus asks the dad, "How long has this been happening?" "From childhood," the man replies. "But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us!" Jesus replies, "If You can?" You can hear the hesitation in Jesus' voice. Jesus is saying, "If you knew who I am you would not say, 'If you can.'" Jesus finishes His words, "If you can?' All things are possible to him who believes." The man says, "I believe, help me in my unbelief."

The man begins by putting the work on Jesus – if you can. Jesus replies returning the work to the man – if you believe. It is belief, belief, belief. The man then rightly confesses – I believe but I have unbelief. And Jesus rewards his honesty. Couple of things for us today. 1. Belief in Jesus' ability makes all things possible. Jesus does not mean that belief will cause all things to happen. He means that belief in Jesus makes all things possible. So that if we believe Jesus can, and does not, does not mean He is not able. It simply means He is, for some other reason, unwilling. 2. Believing bares power. We walk knowing Jesus can do all things. We have that confidence that we walk in Him who is able to do all things. We are not helpless or hopeless. And we are not left to muscle through this on our own. We live in the "all things possible" of Jesus. 3. Jesus loves honesty. As you go through seasons of varying strength of faith, do not hide that from Jesus. Bring it to Him. Bring your weakness to Him. Be honest.

Come Friday night and all day Sunday expecting Jesus to do great things in you and in the lives of those you will bring with you. Just as Jesus worked in your life to bring you to faith, He is working in the lives of those around you to bring them to faith as well. Let Him use you today. It could be as easy as putting an egg on someone's car!

He is Risen!!!

Pastor Jim

## Worship Ministry.....

As we prepare for worship, this week brings each of us to such an awesome point of reality concerning our salvation. Sunday is Palm Sunday and I hope you are preparing your heart (and voice) to celebrate just like Jesus was making His triumphal entry right through the CLC. He deserves our praise. Remember – Worship is our response to Him. How will you respond this week? Next week is Passion week. Passion week calls us to focus on the suffering, humiliation and death that are a part of this week leading up to Easter Morning, Celebration Day. Pray that God will show you something special this year. Maybe He'll bring something to your attention this year that you never noticed before. We're going to join together as a family to remember, to mourn and finally to CELEBRATE! Get ready – Sunday's coming!

## Youth Ministry.....

Checkpoint tonight at 6:15. Tonight will be all about Jesus death on the cross in preparation for good Friday.

Come and invite your friends. Also, there is no "Awakening" this week, but if you would like to come and help or watch the kids Easter egg hunt we will have that from 9:15-10 Sunday Morning.

## Women's Ministry.....

Titus II Ladies Ministry

Invites You To a  
Ladies Night Out

\$5 per person

at La Finca Mexican Restaurant

located at 23930 Westheimer Pkwy, Katy, TX, 77494 (281-693-0140)

Saturday, April 18, 2009

5:30 P.M.

There is a prize for the woman that brings the most guests.

If you are interested in carpooling, meet in the  
front parking lot of the church at 5:00.

We will plan to leave at 5:10.

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