

Matters for Prayer

- Lael and Laura Luxford, South Sudan
- Australian Christian Lobby
- Jacob Damkani, Trumpet of Salvation, Israel
- Young Life • Missionary Aviation Fellowship (MAF)
- Island Gospel Ministries, Bohol, Philippines
- Maranatha Christian School, Talibon, Philippines
- Creation Ministries International • Herald of Hope
- Sri Lankan Fellowship • Korean Fellowship
- Those sick amongst the fellowship
- That the Gospel will continue to be proclaimed through Capital Bible Church
- Matthew Khanzadeh with his ministry into Afghanistan and Iran

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- CBC Statement of faith
- Links to missions supported
- Online Sunday morning messages

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Proclaiming Christ, Teaching and Living in
the Word of God

Newsletter – April 2023



*Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher
of our faith*

Hebrews 12:2

Please join us on Sunday for the service

A question that has arisen in the church is:

Were Joshua's conquests of Canaan acts of genocide?

The command by God to the Israelites to destroy the Canaanite nations is often portrayed as genocide. The conquest of Canaan is sometimes seen as a part of the bible that many have used as a pretext to argue that the God of the Bible is not a good god. Many also consider that the Jesus of the New Testament could not be that God of the Old Testament who commanded the Israelites to do such a heinous deed as to exterminate the Canaanite nations. The command to destroy the Canaanite nations are found in [Exodus 23:22-24](#), Deuteronomy 20:10-18 and [Deuteronomy 7:1-6](#), as well as other passages. Is this a fair assessment of what actually happened?

The answer in No. This land was promised to Abraham's descendants in Genesis 12:7. In Deuteronomy 20:10-12, we read that: "When you go near a city to fight against it, then proclaim an offer of peace to it. And it shall be that if they accept your offer of peace, and open to you, then all the people *who are* found in it shall be placed under tribute to you, and serve you. Now if *the city* will not make peace with you, but war against you, then you shall besiege it." The Israelites were to make an offer of peace before taking a city. If they did not submit, they were then destroyed

Few realize that there were some Canaanites who recognised that the God of Israel had given Canaan to Israelites and they sought the Lord. One is Rahab, when Joshua took Jericho (Joshua 2), and the episode of the Gibeonites (Joshua 9) who deceived Joshua and Joshua made a covenant with them is another. Anyone who recognized and submitted to the God of Israel were not put to death. The Canaanites were destroyed because of their detestable practices. (Leviticus 18:27-28)

Few consider that when Adam and Eve sinned in the garden of Eden, and death entered the world, then from that day onwards in almost every century, a genocide occurs where literally the world's population dies out and is replaced. And every person who has ever lived in every age is in exactly the same boat as those Canaanites based on Romans 1:20. "For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse."

April 2023, at Capital Bible Church

Date	Time	Event
Sunday, 2 nd April	9.30 am	Family Prayer October
	10 am	Family Worship Service speaker: Ian Daley Speaking on 2 Corinthians 13 Christian Giving
Tuesday, 4 th April	7.30pm	Prayer Meeting at the church
Sunday, 9 th April	9.30 am	Family Prayer
	10am	Family Worship Service Speaker: Karl Irving Speaking on Easter Service The Resurrection
Tuesday, 11 th April	7.30pm	Prayer Meeting at the church
Sunday, 16 th April	9.30 am	Family Prayer
	10am	Family Worship Service Speaker: Lael & Laura Speaking on TBA
Tuesday, 18 th April	7.30pm	Creation Meeting at the church
Sunday 23 rd April	10am	Family Worship Service Speaker: Steve Hilly Speaking on TBA
Tuesday, 25 th April	7.00pm	Prayer Meeting at the church
Sunday, 30 th April	10am	Family Worship Service Speaker: Steve Cochrane Speaking on TBA

See also: www.cbc.sn.au/calendar

* Tuesday & Thursday Night Bible Studies – See Karl Irving for Details

* Women's Bible Study- Thursday mornings – See Judy Irving for details.

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