

Matthew 9:35-38 | The Workers Are Few

Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. 36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Disciples and Love

John 13:34 "Anew commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. 35 By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

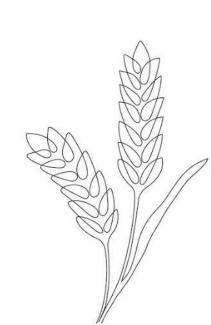
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1. The Workers and their home:

We are all His disciples

Little Christs [in the making]

What else will be found in our ekklesia home?



When Jesus returns, what will He seek to find amongst us?

Luke 18:8 "I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"



2. Home of Sonship and Faith:

We want to share a home of Biblical identity and be a people of FAITH

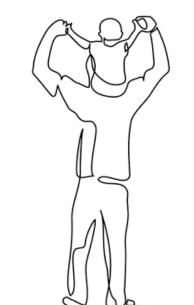
The harvest needs to find →

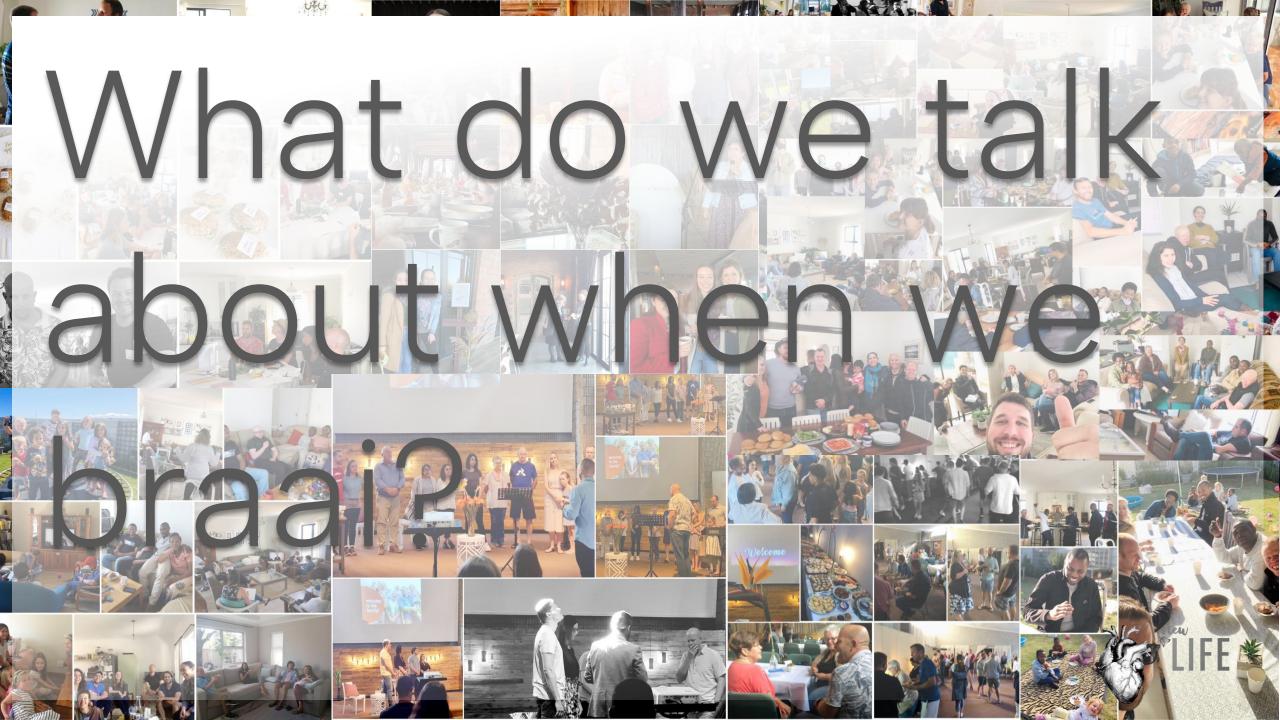
2.1 People of identity and faith:

Galatians 3:26-27 For in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. [the harvest] 17 For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

2 Corinthians 5:7 For we walk by faith, not by sight.





2.2 Living as Children of God:

Matthew 18:3 "...and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

Mark 10:14-15 But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

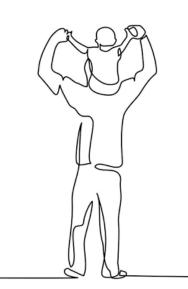
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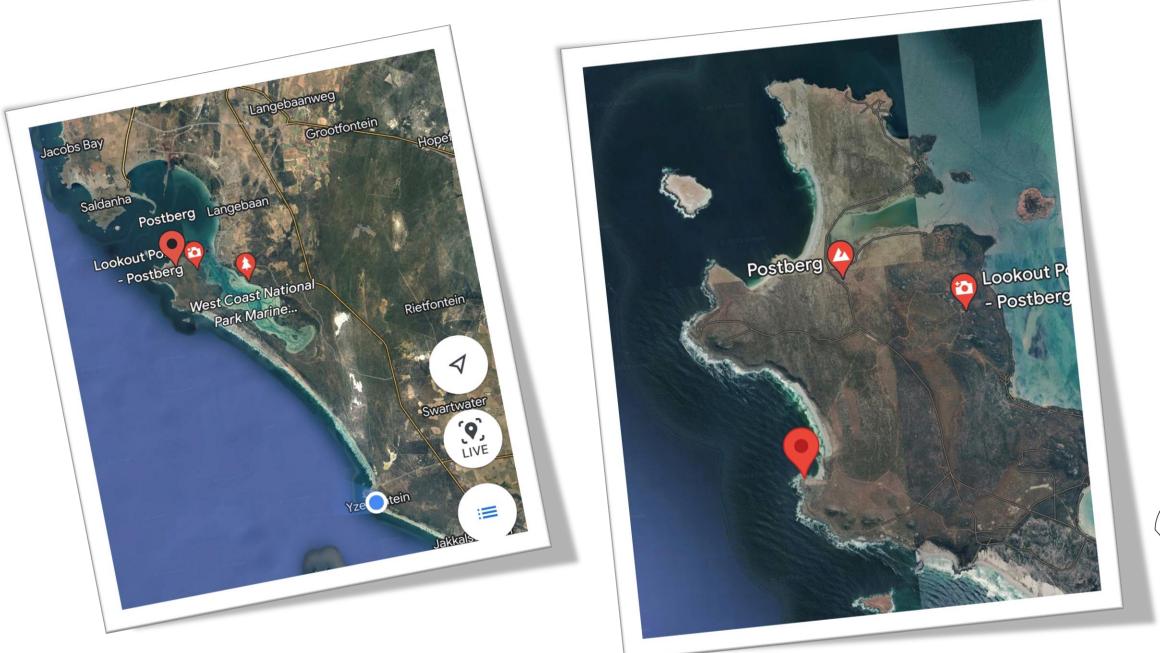
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Matthew 21:22 And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith.

Just a quick family story and the heart of God...



Testimony: The God that hears...



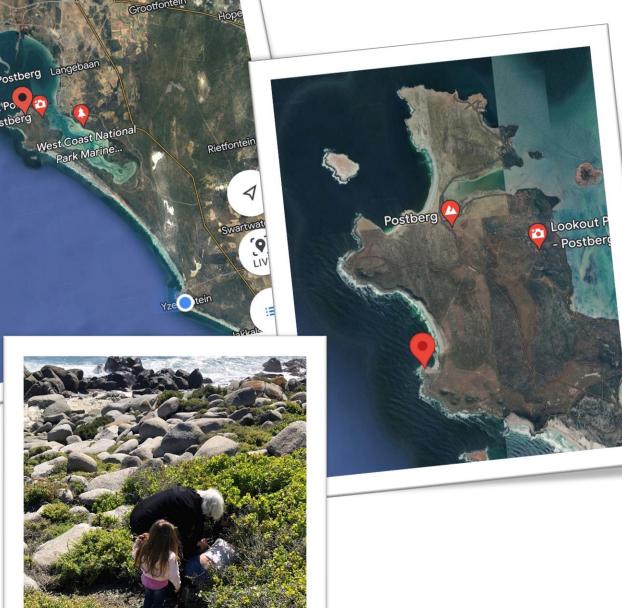


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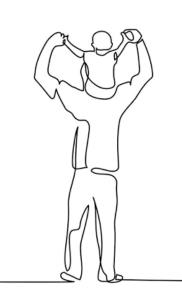
2.3 Overcomers by faith:

Jesus:

John 16:33 "These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

And us all:

1 John 5:4 For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.



3. Not a Home of Slaves with Fear:

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 31:6 "Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you."

Isaiah 41:10 "Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand."



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1 John 4:18 There is <u>no fear in love</u>; instead, <u>perfect love</u> drives out fear, because fear involves punishment. So the one who fears has not reached perfection in love.



Romans 8:14 All those led by God's Spirit are God's sons. 15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father!" 16 The Spirit Himself testifies together with our spirit that we are God's children

2 Timothy 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

John 6:29 Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent."

Faith in Jesus

