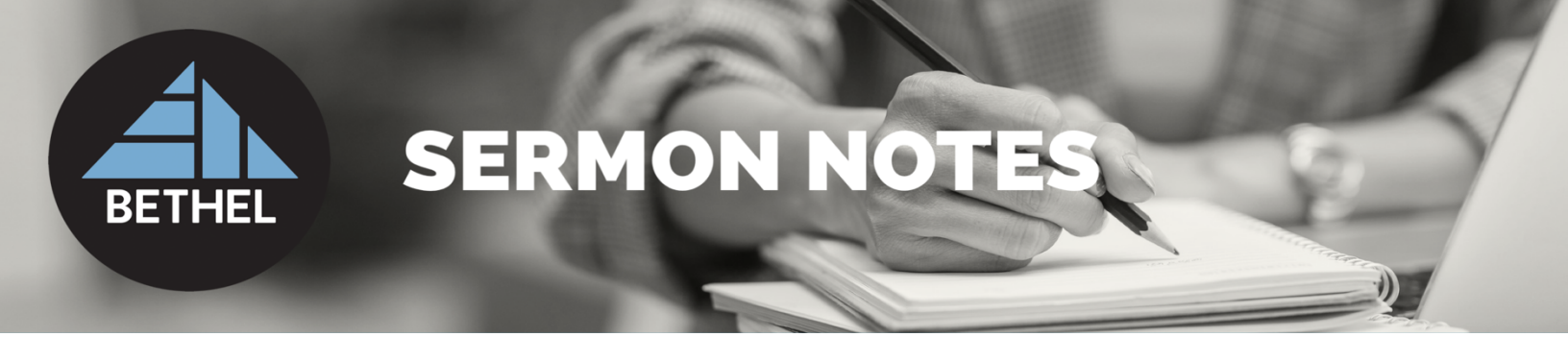

WRITE THE ANSWER – PASTOR PETER

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Habakkuk 2:1-3 "I will climb up to my watchtower and stand at my guardpost. There I will wait to see what the LORD says and how He will answer my complaint. Then the LORD said to me, 'Write my answer plainly on tablets, so that a runner can carry the correct message to others. This vision is for a future time. It describes the end, and it will be fulfilled. If it seems slow in coming, wait patiently, for it will surely take place. It will not be delayed."

Climb the Watchtower

Luke 4:18,19 "The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, for He has anointed Me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, and that the time of the LORD's favour has come."

Luke 4:21 "The Scripture you've just heard has been fulfilled this very day!"

1 Corinthians 2:9 "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love Him."

What Do We See?

Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people

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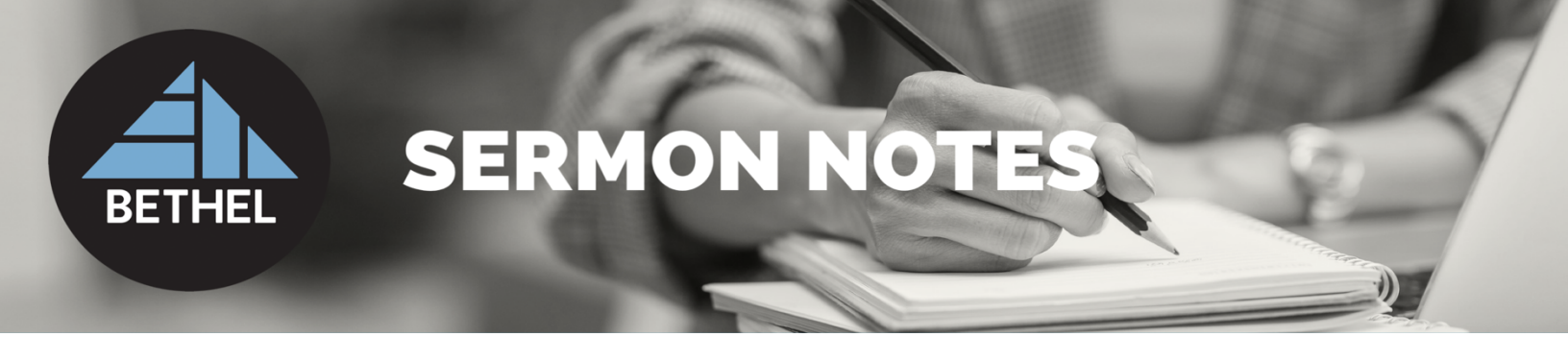

about me everywhere - in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 2:41 "Those who believed what Peter said were baptized and added to the church that day - about 3,000 in all."

Acts. 2:46,47 "They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people."

Acts 4:4 "But many of the people who heard their message believed it, so the number of men who believed now totaled about 5,000."

Exodus 33:15,16 "Then Moses said, 'If You don't personally go with us, don't make us leave this place. How will anyone know that You look favorably on me - on me and on Your people - if You don't go with us? For Your presence among us sets Your people and me apart from all other people on the earth.'"

Our Core and Mission

"Bethel is a place where everyone can belong, believe and become. We're a presence driven church committed to impacting our city and our world."

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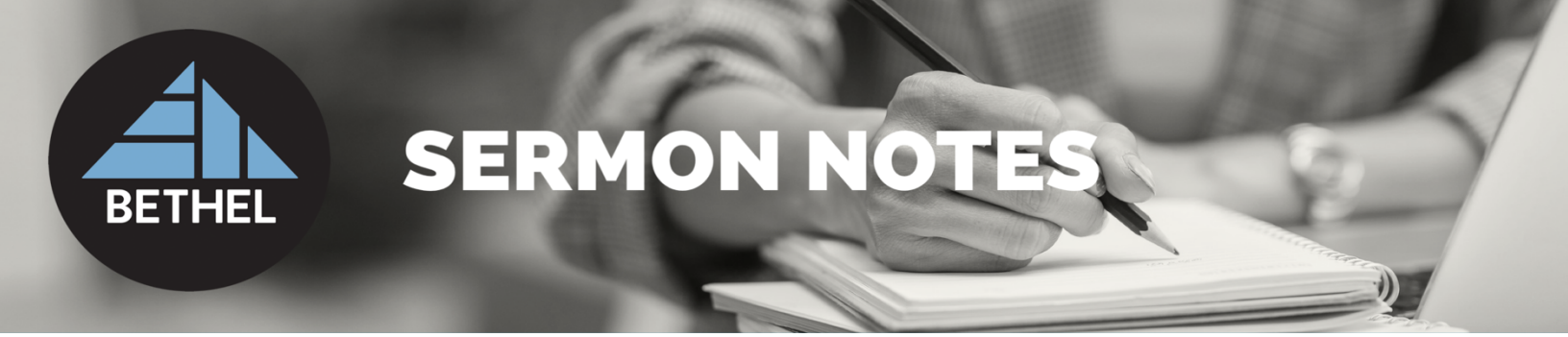


Jesus is the centre – everything we do flows out of a desire for people to know Him.

We value the power and presence of the Holy Spirit – supernatural living can become natural.

The Father is creative and therefore the resources of heaven are available to us –we can be heaven inspired cutting edge.

We believe in the impossible – we live in expectation of the miraculous.

We believe in doing everything with excellence – serving with excellence reflects the greatness of God.

We believe big and start where we are – our faith is active and applied as we honour Him.

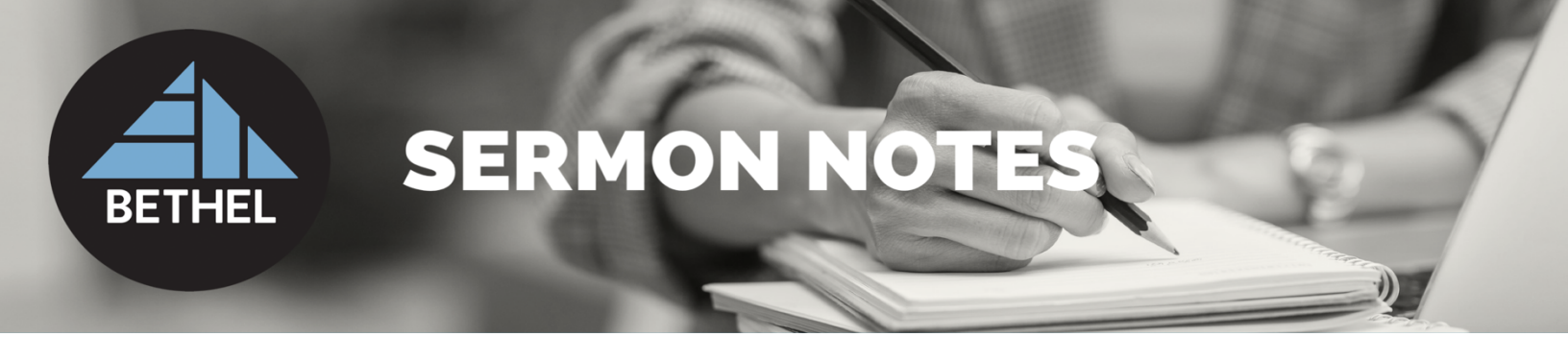
We're a culture of honour – we celebrate and encourage what God is doing in every life.

We come to serve and not be served – we are all foot washers.

We don't maintain, we multiply – our goal is growth in every area at every level.

We're an intergenerational, intercultural church – we learn together, grow together and pass the baton together.

Bethel wholeheartedly condemns the sin of racism, both implicit and explicit, and the underlying denial by racism that all people are created equally in God's image and have equal dignity and value. We join in the collective grief and pain caused by racism. We recognize that until racism is eradicated its horrible implications will impact the lives of many.



SERMON NOTES

Jesus calls us to be peacemakers and workers of reconciliation and to break down the walls that divide people, including racism. As a church, we commit to learning and growing as we continue our pursuit of justice and peace.

Ephesians 1:3 “All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ.”

Action Steps: