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### Coming up:

**Baptismal service- Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>- 12:15 at the river.**  
**Let Pastor Ron know if you want to be included.**

### Prayer Concerns:

**August Focus: Nathaniel & Danielle Shrift (Brazil)**

Please pray for Todd & Kimberly Harris that God would provide housing for them.

- \*\*** Pray for Dean for recovery from appendix surgery.
- \*\*** Pray for Steve & Leasa on their mission trip in Alaska.
- \*\*** Pray for Patrick Kelcourse's mother in dealing with cancer which is getting worse.

**Place your prayer requests in the box in the lobby to be prayed over.**

**++** For other requests please go to the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1213064110405455>

- Grief share will be starting soon. If this is something that you would like to attend let Pastor Russ know. It will be held on Saturday afternoons at 3:00.**



# Epping Bible Church

**August 10, 2025**

**Sunday:** 8:00-8:45  
 free breakfast  
 9-11:15 – Summer  
 program for kids  
 9:00 am - Bible Emphasis

am -

groups

10:00 am - Morning worship

### This week:

Tuesday - 7:00 pm- Join Liz at the church for prayer.  
 Wednesday - 6:30 pm - small group at the parsonage.

**For other small group meetings, please see Pastor Russ for info.**

**Next Sunday- baptismal service following the morning service. Let Pastor Ron know if you would like to be included.**

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## “Talking Behind People’s Backs”

1 Corinthians 13

Love suffers long *and* is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; <sup>5</sup> does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; (It keeps no record of wrongs) (or resentful)<sup>6</sup> does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; <sup>7</sup> bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. <sup>8</sup> Love never fails.

<https://www.wisdomhunters.com/relational-poison-that-travels-by-whisper/>

- ☐ It is generated by God’s love for me.
- ☐ It is demonstrated by my love for God.
- ☐ It is p\_\_\_\_ by my love for God and loving people with H\_\_\_\_ love.

Titus 3:1-7- Ephesians 4:29-32; 1 Corinthians 1:10-11; 3:1-4

The key to properly talking behing people’s backs.

Luke 6:45- The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

Matthew 15:18-19- But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander.

- It’s a Result of a t\_\_\_\_\_ heart
- It’s a c\_\_\_\_\_ of obedience we all have to choose
- It’s a l\_\_\_\_\_ of the person with a close relationship with

God- not a religious person

Don’t g\_\_\_\_\_

Don’t w\_\_\_\_\_

Don’t s\_\_\_\_\_

Don’t s\_\_\_\_\_ d\_\_\_\_\_

✓ V\_\_\_\_\_ everyone

- ✓ Don’t get cliquey- DO Be a f\_\_\_\_\_
- ✓ Be a c\_\_\_\_\_ - non competition
- ✓ Don’t criticize, but DO c\_\_\_\_\_

*“Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind.” – 1 Peter 2:1*

## Types of Gossip and What the Bible Says

### Slander

D\_\_\_\_\_

### Rumors

B\_\_\_\_\_

### Not-Really-Joking Jokes

Planting S\_\_\_\_\_

### Whispered Innuendo

### Got-This-All-Wrong Gossip

How Do I S\_\_\_\_\_?

Take the next step in c\_\_\_\_\_ and healing the d\_\_\_\_\_ to gossip.

The serum to gossip is loving c\_\_\_\_\_.

### Prayer

Lord, guard my tongue and heart. Help me avoid gossip and speak only words that build others up. Fill me with wisdom, kindness, and courage to honor You in every conversation. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

Take-away: