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Sunday Bible Study 9:45am Morning Worship 10:45 am Evening Worship 6:00 pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.'

For whatever is more than these is from the evil one.

Matthew 5:37

# Welcome, Visitor!

We are so pleased to have you as our guest today. If you are a first-time visitor with us, please fill out a 'visitor card' that you will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit.

There are free tracts and literature on the wall in the foyer. We also have Bible correspondence courses you can sign up to receive by mail at no cost to you. Let us know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study.

Thank you for attending. We hope to see you often!

#### Like Father, Like Son?

They were father and son. They were both kings of Judah during the prophetic period of Jeremiah (Jeremiah 1:2-3). They both had very drastic reactions to the word of God when they heard it read. However, their attitudes regarding God's word could not be more different. Their names were Josiah and Jehoiakim (1 Chronicles 3:15).

Josiah ascended to the throne at the early age of eight (2 Kings 22:1). Great wickedness permeated Judah at the time due to his royal predecessors: his father, Amon, and his grandfather, Manasseh (2 Kings 21). When Josiah was sixteen, he began to seek the Lord. At the age of twenty, he began to rid Jerusalem of its idolatry (2 Chronicles 34:3). At twenty-six, Josiah ordered the temple to be repaired, a task that ignited a spiritual restoration in the nation. During the renovation, a priest by the name of Hilkiah found a copy of the law in the rundown temple and delivered it to Shaphan, a scribe, who brought it before the king and read it to him (2 Kings 22:8-18; 2 Chronicles 34:14-18). King Josiah rent his clothes when he heard the words because he realized how far the nation had drifted from God's law (2 Chronicles 34:19-21). Leave it to the Bible to show men where they truly stand (Hebrews 4:12-13). Upon learning the truth, Josiah dedicated his resources to restoring true worship according to the pattern in the law. He caused the people to hear the book of the law, cleansed Judah of its wickedness and idolatry, and re-instituted the Lord's feast of Passover (2 Kings 23:1-25).

Jehoiakim, Josiah's son, was of a different heart. Instead of following the example of his father, he did evil in the eyes of the Lord (2 Chronicles 36:5). God's judgments upon him and Judah were spoken through Jeremiah. Baruch, a scribe, wrote these words down and read them before the people (Jeremiah 36:1-10). A man named Michaiah heard what Baruch read and told the princes (Jeremiah 36:11-13). The princes told Baruch to hide and Jehudi read the words of the scroll before the king (Jeremiah 36:19-23). After Jehudi read only three or four columns, Jehoiakim had heard enough. He took a penknife, used by scribes to cut scrolls, and cut the scroll up and threw it into the fire (Jeremiah 36:23). The reason judgment was being proclaimed by God upon Judah was in large part due to Jehoiakim refusing to lead Israel in righteousness. His father Josiah reformed his actions and the policies of the nation when he heard the word of the Lord. Jehoiakim, however, tried to destroy the word of God rather than changing his ways, but it did him no good. Jeremiah made another scroll (Jeremiah 36:32) and the word of God prevailed (1 Peter 1:25). The judgments against Judah still came to pass even though Jehoiakim burned a copy of them in the fire; Jehoiakim was carried away captive in the destruction of Jerusalem by the Babylonians (2 Chronicles 36:6).

Fathers and sons can be very different in their approach to the Bible. There are many families who are separated by their response to the Gospel (Matthew 10:34-36). In the end, each must answer for his own response to God's word (Ezekiel 18:20). Will we, like

Jehoiakim, get angry at the Bible or will we humble ourselves like Josiah and submit to the Lord's teachings? Our decision will not change the truthfulness of the Bible, but it will determine our eternal destiny (Matthew 7:24-27; Revelation 22:14).

- Mark Day

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| Today's Lessons  AM: Your Ruler Guide  PM: Faithful to Your Word                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Notes         |
| Scripture Reading Matthew 5:33-37 (NKJV)  33 "Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform your oaths to the Lord.'  34 But I say to you, do not swear at all: neither by heaven, for it is God's throne;  35 nor by the earth, for it is His footstool; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King.  36 Nor shall you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black.  37 But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one. |               |
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| Attendance & Contribution |            |      |            |
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|                           | 4/20/25    | Goal | 4/21/24    |
| Bible Study               | 46         | 90   | 71         |
| AM Worship                | 107        | 130  | 115        |
| PM Worship                | 61         | 90   | 78         |
| Mid Week                  | 53         | 90   | 70         |
| Contribution              | \$6,221.00 |      | \$6,760.00 |
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# Free Bible Correspondence Courses Available by Mail:

8 lesson series by Hurt

"Studies in The Bible" (30 lessons)
"Acts of The Apostles" by Pharr (6 lessons)

"Getting to Know Jesus" by Pharr (20 lessons)

### **Sunday Servants**

**WELCOME:** Greg Conley

#### **Morning**

**SONG LEADER:** Brad Morris

FIRST PRAYER: Nathan Adkins

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Richard Miranda

LORD'S TABLE\*

**PRESIDING:** Mark Parks

**ASSISTING:** John Gambill, Mark

Gullett, Chris Legg, Jason Fouts,

Evan Gullett, Nolan Clarkson, Nathan

Parks

# **Evening**

**SONG LEADER:** Mason Morris

FIRST PRAYER: Chris Scott

LORD'S TABLE\*

**PRESIDING:** Jordan Conley

**ASSISTING:** JC Hughes

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Jacob Brown

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Matt

Vonderheide

#### **Wednesday Servants**

**WELCOME:** Chris Scott

**SONG LEADER:** Mark Day

**PRAYER:** Jackson Morris

**DEVOTIONAL:** Greg Hall

# **Weekly Servants**

LIVE STREAM: Jackson Morris

**POWER POINT:** Mark Gullett

BLDG. ATT.: John Gambill

**COORDINATOR:** Matt Vonderheide

**ATTENDANCE:** John Gambill

\*gluten-free bread

#### **Dates to Remember**

**May 3** - Baby Shower for Taylor Brown - see bulletin board for details

May 3 - Ladies' Day at Ceredo Church of Christ - details on bulletin board

May 4 - Family Gathering at 4pm

**May 17** - Ladies' Day at Harrisville Church of Christ - details on bulletin board

May 18 - Potluck and Lads to Leaders Recognition

June 1 - Graduate Honor Night

**June 14** - Arts and Eats Festival 3pm-8pm

Aug. 2 - Vacation Bible School 10am-2pm

Aug. 23-24 - Evangelism Training

Please Join Us For A Wedding Shower Honoring

# Alex & Niecy Wells

Saturday, June 7, 2025 at 1:00pm in the Annex Registry: Amazon.com RSVP to Bev Conley

**Youth Notes** 

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Senior Week (ages 14 - 19): June 29 - July 4

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Junior Week (ages 7 - 11): July 13 - 18

All-Age Week (ages 8 - 18): July 20 - 25

Singing Emphasis Week (ages 12 - 21): July 27 - August 1

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN!** 

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