

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

6 Gary Bates 21 Serenity Peterson
9 Preston Whitmarsh 22 Kaitlyn Lucas
10 Nathan Mougeot 27 Mark Meredith
11 Payton Peterson 29 Bryson Campbell
13 Lonnie Ferguson 30 Todd Owen
17 Ava Mora



DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

1 Rex and Sharon Rose
27 Todd and April Owen

Happy Anniversary!

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SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: 23

SUNDAY AM: 64 SUNDAY PM: 19

WEDNESDAY: 19

OFFERING: \$1796

December 22, 2024



**Welcome to the
Verde Valley Church of Christ**

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Sermon



Practical Lessons from the Book of James: Part 7

Gathering Times

Sunday Bible class 9:30 AM Sunday Worship 10:30 AM

Sunday evening 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM

SERMON SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Practical Lessons From the Book of James: Part 7

Chapter 5 (skipping Chapter 4 until completion of Chapter 5)

4:17-5:3

John 13:34-35 & Gal. 6:10 (These unrighteous rich "members" had been hoarding their wealth for themselves pointlessly when they had Church family struggling and starving which should never be the case if they are indeed loved more than yourself)

Verses 4-6

James 2:5, Matt. 6:19-21, Luke 16:11-13 (These are the actions of how these people retained their unrighteous wealth, showing that this is what they treasured and that what they set their heart on will fail them)

Verses 7-8

2 Peter 3:3-9 (We are to be patient and wait for when God ends the world, knowing that it is actually patience for those who will choose to be saved, and love and help our fellow members even when they aren't behaving correctly)

Verse 9

Rev. 20:11-15 (We cannot complain about "doing more than others" because everyone will be judged individually against *what they should have done in each instance*. Therefore, we need to just do what we should everytime we should)

Verses 10-11

1 Pet. 1:10-12 & Heb. 11:32-40 (The prophets were the definition of those who did right while all around them did not, and they suffered on earth for it. They aimed for a higher prize, as should we)

Verses 12-13

(We do not need to swear, we just tell the truth and be so truthful that our "yes" or "no" is never questioned. Similarly, we should pray if we suffer and sing praises to God if we are cheerful and blessed. Each scenario has a specific outcome)

Verses 14-16

2 Chron. 6:24-31 & James 1:6-7 & Num. 15:29-31 (God allows negatives into His followers' lives when attention to a sin needs to be given, sometimes in the form of sickness/injury. The prayers of the elders offered in faith can cure this, but must be done w/o doubt. But forgiven sins still need to be stopped, bc cont. to do them is a death sentence, even if it got forgiven before. That is defiant sin to keep doing so - no forgiveness)

Verses 17-18

1 Kings 17:1, 18:44 & 1 John 5:16-17 (Elijah did not have power over nature, but God answered his prayer in faith, and likewise Church members with no power over sin, can pray and God will forgive brethren who sin in ignorance)

Verses 19-20

Matt. 18:15-17 (We are to correct our brethren and show them where they are out of alignment with the Scriptures. In fact, we are **commanded to**. Jesus gave an escalation: 1st in private, 2nd with two or three, 3rd before the church, 4th disfellowship until repent, sin ceases, and forgiveness asked for)

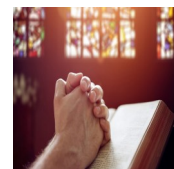
ANNOUNCEMENTS



SERVICES ARE BEING STREAMED ON FACEBOOK LIVE

- ◆ **Classes and sermons are available on Youtube.**
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- ◆ **There is a children's bible study for ages 4 - 10 during the sermon.**
Parents can pick up the kids after service in the classroom building.
- ◆ **Potluck fellowship** - Our next potluck will be Christmas themed on Sunday, December 29. Turkey and ham will be provided. Please bring sides and desserts to share.
- ◆ **Baby Shower for Erica and Ryan Meija! Saturday, January 11th at 11 am.** Registered on Amazon. Please do not purchase disposable diapers, the family will be using cloth diapers. Registry search info: Erica Dubas, due date Feb 2025, City Phoenix
<https://www.amazon.com/baby-reg/erica-dubas-february-2025-phoenix/1INUR2LJH6F8C>

PRAY FOR



*Diana Landers
Kathie & Eddie Rose
Jerry Harvey
Wally Dickinson*