

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: 19

SUNDAY AM: 46 SUNDAY PM: 19

WEDNESDAY: 19

OFFERING: \$1173

December 29, 2024



**Welcome to the
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Sermon



Practical Lessons from the Book of James: Part 8

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 8

Chapter 4 (returning to after Chapter 5 demonstrated that Christians are to help one another stop sinning)

3:18-4:2

James 1:14, 5:16 & Matt. 5:22 (James just spoke about how those who use their Godly knowledge of the Word will lead to outputs of peace, so conflicts do not come from the Word. They come from a person's lusts for sin, which come from within and tempt themselves)

Verses 3-4

1 John 2:15-16, 3:13, 5:19 & Rom. 12:2 & Matt. 6:31-33 & 1 Tim. 6:7-10 (We should not concentrate on excess and luxury like the rest of the world, but seek first God's righteousness. Then, He will take care of our **needs**, when we lust after more than what we need we are doing evilly)

Verse 5

Isa. 52:11 & Exo. 20:1-5 & Num. 5:14 & Eph. 5:31-32 (Verse translated incorrectly in most versions. Should be two sentences as translated by the ASV, James **asking** if they think Scripture speaks pointlessly (about verse 4)? Second, making **statement** that God jealously desires the Spirit He made dwell within us - both the spirit of life that all humans have and **especially** the Holy Spirit which indwells baptized Christians)

Verse 6

(But the grace of God is greater than our sins, meaning if we look honestly at ourselves and we have been prizing the world, He can forgive us of that if we humble ourselves and repent)

Verses 7-10

1 Kings 18:21 & Rev. 12:12 (Christians need to follow God and resist temptation and stop playing both sides. The devil can only be in one place and time and has no time to waste, so he will flee from those who resist him to find those that won't)

Verses 11-12

Matt. 7:1-5 (Do not judge your brothers to "your standards of what a Christian life should look like," i.e., not the Biblical standard. We are to help each other conform to the Biblical standard, but we should never judge to our own standard, lest we receive the same lack of compassion from God).

Verses 13-16

Prov. 27:1 & Matt. 6:10-11 & Eph. 5:15-16 & Luke 12:16-21 (We must always remember that we are not in control of anything. To even assume we will have a future is evil, and this should change the way we think and talk if we are bridling our tongue like James said)

Verse 17

Luke 12:47-48, James 2:10-11 (Those that know more have more expected of them. We do not get to follow just the easy parts of the Bible or parts we like, nor is any command of God worth less than others. Talking about tomorrow like it is a sure thing is just as bad as killing someone, so respect what God states)

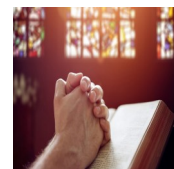
ANNOUNCEMENTS



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** - Today is potluck Sunday please stay and join us for a fellowship meal.
- ◆ **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*