MAY BIRTHDAYS

2 Janie Kilby 14 Kyla Alvey Layla Midkiff Parnell 16 Tim Roth Ciara Francisco Parnell 17 Harold Kilby 25 Kimberly Owen Heather Benetti 25 Patricia Harvey Eli Sellers Ashley Roth 27 Mona Cooley Noah Geraci 30 J Lynn Alvey 31 Jim Vogel Wanda Mattson 31 Robyn Roth Loni Faith Ferguson



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

13 David and Alicia Hardesty 26 Colton and Kaitlyn Lucas

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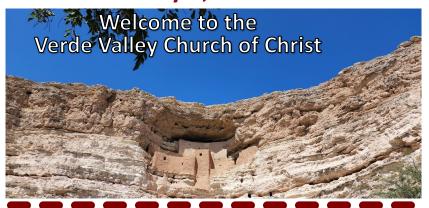
SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: 21

SUNDAY AM: 64 SUNDAY PM: 16

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Sermon

Foundations of Our Faith: Part 1—
God Must Exist and the Bible Must Be His Word

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

The Foundations of Our Faith: Part 1 - God Must Exist and the Bible Must Be His Word

Why are we here? Why is anything here? If there was nothing, then everything cannot come from nothing. Science cannot answer where the materials of a "big bang" came from. If the first step of a solution is impossible, the solution is impossible.

The universe must have a beginning because an eternal universe was disproved in the 1850's by William Thompson a.k.a, "lord" Kelvin. He realized the first two laws of thermodynamics made an eternal universe impossible before the American Civil War was fought.

Law 1 - Energy is never added or lost in a closed system, it only changes form. Law 2 - States that, while energy is conserved, energy becomes less useful over time as non-work outputs (heat, light) escape and move from higher concentrations to lower (seeking equilibrium).

*Taken together this means that after enough time has passed, so much of the universe's energy will be lost to non-work and become so equally distributed, there will not be enough in one place to do any more work <u>ever</u>. This is called the "heat-death" of the universe. And if the universe was infinity years old this would have already happened...infinity times.

The fact is the universe began. When it did, "time" began. And "space" began. And "material things" began. Thus, the "force" of creation must be spaceless, timeless, and non-physical. Because there is life in the universe, and life cannot come from non-life, this force of creation is a Who not a What. Because this force is alive, we can ascribe it to being infinitely powerful to create the universe, and infinitely intelligent to have designed it so finely tuned from the smallest atoms to the largest galaxies. And because existence is an overwhelmingly positive experience, the force must also be "benevolent."

A timeless, spaceless, non-physical, living, infinitely powerful, infinitely intelligent, and benevolent being humans have called - God.

This is the argument of Romans 1:20

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



SERVICES ARE BEING STREAMED ON FACEBOOK LIVE

- ♦ Classes and sermons are available on Youtube.
- ♦ There is a children's bible study during the sermon.
- Potluck fellowship after morning worship service is on the 1st Sunday of the month - Today is Potluck fellowship. Please join us for a fellowship meal.
- ◆ Ladies Devotional—Saturday, May 17th will be a Mothers Day Brunch along with a Ladies Devotional. Food will be provided.
- ◆ Foundations of our Faith series For the month of May, Dominic will be preaching a series on the foundations of our Faith covering topics such as: "Why we believe what we do" & "Why we do what we do."

 This is a great time to invite someone to learn more about us. Food will be provided every Sunday so join us for great lessons, food and fellowship!
- Secret Sister reminder—today is the last day for the weekly encouragement gifts. May 17th will be the reveal gift exchange at the Mothers Day Brunch
- ♦ Tyler Roth's address is

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PRAY FOR



Diana Landers Kathie & Eddie Rose Jerry Harvey Wally Dickinson

SERMON SCRIPTURE REFERENCES 4-6-25

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Because there is a Creator, that Creator has exclusive rights to direct how this universe is supposed to be. How WE are supposed to be.

-If this Creator has this right, has it ever given its expectations to humanity?

There are many books supposedly capturing an interaction with this Creator...so which one is the real one?

-The one that has the greatest evidence of being from such a timeless, spaceless, non-physical, infinitely powerful and intelligent Being and not just a human creation

The Bible

Written - in stages for more than 1,500 years by over 45 human authors, in 3 languages, most of whom never were alive together: Yet no contradictions. No inaccuracies. One cohesive message with details absolutely correct in every case.

Contains prophecies - Cyrus the Great was prophesied *by his first name* to be the one that would free the Jews, reinhabit Jerusalem, and rebuild the temple. Was prophesied in 740-700 B.C. in Isaiah 44:26-28, 200 years before Cyrus would free the Jews from Babylon in 540 B.C.

Contains miracles - The miracles of Jesus were recorded in the synoptic

Gospels from 55-75 A.D. and circulated and certified by those who wer
iving in Jerusalem in 28-30 A.D. when they happened.