

# THE WAY THE TRUTH & THE LIFE

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...the churches of Christ salute you (Romans 16:16)

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In Ramona

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### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

#### Sunday Worship

Bible Class 9:30am  
Morning Services 10:30am  
Evening Services 6:00pm

#### Third Sunday Worship

Bible Class 9:30am  
Morning Services 10:30am  
Evening Services 1:00pm

#### Wednesday Worship

Bible Class 7:00pm

## For The Love Of Money

Kerry Duke

Ananias and Sapphira lied to God about the price of the land they had sold. They died for their greed (Acts 5:1-11). King Ahab pouted like a baby when Naboth refused to sell him his vineyard, so Jezebel killed Naboth and gave the land to her husband. But this evil pair paid for their covetousness when they later became dog food (1 Kings 21:1-23). Judas Iscariot was a thief who stole from the money bag and betrayed the Lord for thirty pieces of silver (John 12:6; Matt. 26:15). In the end he regretted what he had done and hanged himself (Matt. 27:3-10). The rich man in Luke 16:19-31 lost his soul because he was too cheap to help a poor man near his property.

Few things are as deceptive as money. Jesus warned that the “deceitfulness of riches” would cause some Christians to fall (Matt. 13:22). He said, “If thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness” (Matt. 6:23). In the context, He is discussing our attitude toward riches. If our “eye” (the way we look at money) is evil, then our “whole body” (our entire life) will be full of the darkness of sin. This is basically what Paul said in his well-known passage on the love of money: “But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows” (1 Tim. 6:9-10).

We live in a world infected with greed. Make money, spend money, and dream of having more—these ideas are drilled into our minds from youth. In this life money talks, and many listen. Solomon said that money is the answer to everything in worldly affairs (Ecc. 10:19). Money is power, and power is money. But Solomon, who was rich beyond our imagination, warned that wealth will only leave you feeling empty and depressed (Ecc. 2:1-21; 5:10-15).

If men had written the Bible, it would read like this section I call, “The Greedy Man’s Prayer:” *Our money which art in banks, Hollow be thy fame. Thy power corrupts. Thy will be done in recession, as it is in prosperity. Buy us this day more than we need. And increase our debt, as we fail to pay our lenders. And lead us not into charity, but deliver us from helping others. For thine is the misery, and the vanity, and the flames of hell forever. Amen.*

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## Those Whom We Have The Privilege To Pray For

1. Scott Pease, Nancy (Howarth), Griffin Turley, Carla Cavin, Pat Vinson, Eunice Black, Claude Eberle, Kenny Terry, Trent Barnett, Vivian Beavers. Dale Bennett, Ruby Bradd, Danny Lee, Jennie Wright & Dallas Beam have cancer.
2. Heather Jones continues to struggle and hasn't found what is needed medically to give her any relief.
3. Tricia Moses' sister had back surgery and is recovering.
4. Doyle Brooks, Rebecca's dad, has a tumor in his bladder but they think it is benign. They will do surgery later to make certain & remove hopefully.
5. Landon Rowell has been having some potential thyroid or heart issues and he is dealing with some sort of sickness at the moment.



### Announcements

1. Next week's sermons are "Blessed Are Those Who Wait On God (Isaiah 30:18); & God By Name: Jehovah Nissi (Exodus 17:15)."
2. Please keep the Black family in your prayers with the loss of Brother Wayne Black whose funeral was Saturday.

### God's Plan of Salvation

- Hear/Study *Rom 10:17; 2 Tim 2:15*
  - Faith in Jesus *He 11:6; Jn 3:16; 14:15*
  - Repent *Ac 17:30; 2 Pt 3:9*
  - Confess *Mt 10:32; Ro 10:9-10*
  - Obey The Gospel *2 Th 1:8; 1 Cor 15:1-4; Rom 6:3-5*
  - Live a Faithful Life *1 Jn 1:7; Eph 5:8-14*
- If you have any questions or would like to study this or any other biblical matter, please let us know.

### Upcoming Events

- Game Night has been cancelled for this month.
- Daylight Savings is March 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Bible Way Media is a great way to be edified with sound teaching throughout your day. You can listen at [www.biblewaymedia.org](http://www.biblewaymedia.org) or the new app.

### Bible Trivia

1. What man in the Bible had hair like eagle feathers and nails like bird claws?  
Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 4:33)
2. How many people in the Bible have their name beginning with the letter "Z"?  
188 people in the Bible.
3. What was the name of the king who practiced divination by looking in a liver?  
King of Babylon (Ezekiel 21:21)