

Life through Wisdom's Lens

James 1:5-11

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A. The Lessons of Wealth.

B. The Lessons of Poverty.

C. The Lens of Wisdom.

Welcome To Fifth Street Presbyterian Church

Our purpose for meeting together today is to meet with our Lord as a body of believers. We meet that we might hear Him speak in the reading and preaching of His Word. And, we meet to respond to His voice in our songs, prayers, and affirmations. In the ordinary worship of God we find extraordinary grace, encouragement, and reason to hope. This corporate worship of God is the most important thing that happens upon the earth and we are delighted to have you with us as we approach the Father in Christ's name by the power of the Holy Spirit.

This week at a glance:

Today	9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 12:30 P.M. 5:00 P.M.	Sunday School Worship Service Choir Practice Evening Service
Tuesday	7:00 P.M.	Session
Wednesday	7:00 A.M.	Men's Calvin Discussion

Visitors: We would appreciate a record of your visit, which you can provide by filling out one of the visitor's cards that you will find in the pew. Please place the card in the offering plate. Thank you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us at 5:00 p.m. today for hymns, prayer and the preaching of God's Word.

If you are looking for an opportunity to connect with other members of our church this is a great place for that as well as a wonderful time to introduce unchurched friends. The service is relaxed, there is opportunity for questions about the text, and we have a fellowship meal on the second and fourth Sundays. We hope you will make use of the evening service for your own edification and as a means to reach others outside of our church—there is no better place for the unbelievers or the unchurched than sitting with God's people as they gather around the means of grace.

Pastor Simmons will be on vacation next Sunday and we are very glad to again have our pulpit filled by Rev. Tom Duke. Tom will be preaching in both the morning and evening service. Please pray for his preparation and his preaching.

Ministering on both sides of the prison Walls: On September 6 we will welcome to our pulpit Mr. Lowell Ivy a recent graduate of Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary and an intern at Covenant Community OPC Church of Greenville. Lowell will be here with his wife Mae and their two children (Mae is a former Fifth Street Member and granddaughter of Emma Dougherty). Lowell came to faith in Christ while in prison and has a helpful perspective on ministry to men in prison and how the church can reach out and include inmates when they are released. The Schedule for the weekend is as follows:

- Saturday night a Men's Bring Your Own Steak Event will begin at 5:30 at which Lowell will speak briefly.
- Lowell will speak to a combined Sunday School class meeting in the fellowship hall.
- Lowell will preach for our morning service.
- Following the service we will have a covered dish meal followed with some Q&A time for questions about prison ministry.
- For the evening service we will join Tyler Presbyterian Church for our fall joint service at which Lowell will preach. This is at their church and we will likely be the first to drop crumbs on the floor of their new fellowship hall as we enjoy refreshments after the service.

Speaking of Prison ministry.....

- We had 28 men in the Bible study at Powledge unit this past Monday. We continue to do a two hour Bible study and are presently going through the Pastoral Epistles. Please continue to pray for this ministry of our church and join us in thanking God for this work that has been going on for seven years now.
- The Bible Study at the Diboll Unit near Lufkin began about two years ago when one of the men from our study in Powledge was transferred there and wrote to ask if we could help something get started there. We contacted Mark O'Neal the PCA pastor in Lufkin and by God's grace that work has been going great—averaging attendance in the low 40s.

We have a selection of booklets on various topics including gospel booklets, Spanish Bibles, and Spanish Scripture selections available for you in the narthex. Please take any of these materials that you can make use of personally or in your ministry to others. Also, if you are in need of a Bible you are welcome to take one of the pew Bibles as well.

Ladies, we are still in need of volunteers to help in the nursery and ask you to prayerfully consider helping. Experience with babies is not necessary, we would be glad to train you until you feel confident. If you are interested please call Rosie Abernathy at 903- 235-4324 or speak to her personally.

The offering counters this week are Matt Marshall and Milford Brinton.

As you pray please also remember:

- Joe Kanewske having surgery Thursday in Houston.
- Betsy Simmons Swaim having surgery this Friday in Ft. Worth.
- Katalin Kavago's ongoing battle with cancer.
- RUF starting a new year in Tyler.
- That our God would add to our numbers labors for the harvest as well as broken and hurting people that we can minister to.
- That God would make us a people who love the Bible and love prayer.
- Providence PCA in Midway TX.
- The Powledge Bible Study—Pastor Phil Hodson this Monday.