

The Vine

I am the vine; you are the branches...John 15:5

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Glory. In the Old Testament, the word normally translated 'glory' has with it the idea of weight, especially in referring to God. It encompasses the honor, dignity, splendor, brightness and majesty of God. It also includes his moral attributes and infinite perfection. It is the summation of his nature and character.

Imagine the holy heaviness one would feel in the presence of this kind of glory. *2 Corinthians 4:17 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison.*

God's glory is so heavy that we are unable to bear it in our earthly bodies. Moses asked God to show him his glory, but all he was really able to handle was the 'afterglow' when God passed by.

The New Testament word most used for glory is *doxa*. When we see *doxology*, that is a combination of *logos*, meaning 'word' and *doxa*. So a doxology is a 'word of glory.' It is a phrase, saying or scripture that glorifies God.

That is our job – to glorify God. The Westminster Shorter Catechism teaches us in the first question, "Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever."

When we glorify God, we are not adding to his glory. That would be impossible. We are recognizing God's glory, worshiping him for his glory, and pointing others toward his glory.

When the Bible talks about the glory of man, it is much different than God's glory. That can refer to abundance, wealth, treasure, beauty, respect and honor. It can also refer to inner qualities like wisdom, character, and even the way one exhibits the fruit of the Spirit.

Of course, man's glory is on a finite scale while God's is infinite. Our glory is not to be pursued for the sake of showing other people, but should be bestowed by God himself.

The selections this month will teach us about God's glory and how we are to bring glory to God in our thoughts, words and deeds.

As always and as time allows, read the selection in context by reading verses that precede and follow. If you have study bibles, look up related verses and references. Let these scriptures teach you to let your life be a doxology to God.

Mike

A LOOK AT GOD'S

GLORY

- June 1: Exodus 16:4-12
- June 2: Exodus 24:12-18
- June 3: Exodus 33:18-23
- June 4: Exodus 40:34-38
- June 5: Deuteronomy 5:22-27
- June 6: 1 Chronicles 16:7-36
- June 7: 2 Chronicles 7:1-3
- June 8: Psalm 8
- June 9: Psalm 19:1-6
- June 10: Psalm 24
- June 11: Psalm 29
- June 12: Psalm 97:1-7
- June 13: Psalm 108:1-6
- June 14: Isaiah 6:1-8
- June 15: Isaiah 40:1-5
- June 16: Isaiah 43:1-7
- June 17: Ezekiel 1:4-28
- June 18: John 1:1-5, 9-14
- June 19: Luke 2:8-20
- June 20: Matthew 3:13-17
- June 21: Matthew 17:1-9
- June 22: John 13:31-35
- June 23: John 17
- June 24: Matthew 28:1-10
- June 25: Romans 8:18-25
- June 26: 2 Corinthians 3:7-18
- June 27: Revelation 1:1-8
- June 28: Revelation 4
- June 29: Revelation 5:6-14
- June 30: Revelation 21:22-22:5

Friendly Reminders

Disciple Making Movement, led by Matthew Carder, will be meeting on Wednesday's through June, beginning at 6 PM. Ask Mike if you have questions about wanting to join.



There will be a men's fellowship, Saturday, June 17th at Jarret Mitchell's house @ 5 PM. Bring a side. Smoked meat will be provided. If you have questions, contact Jarret Mitchell.



Phil McAfee, our Missionary from Brazil, will be back in the states on furlough in July and August. He is looking for a car to borrow during that time. He would cover insurance and any needed maintenance while he would be borrowing it. Contact Mike for more information.

Bible Study has concluded for the summer months.

Thanks to everyone who helped with donations or worked the garage sale. We brought in \$1202 for the School Supply Project.

Men's Breakfast: Men's breakfast will be Saturday, June 10th, 8 a.m., Tim Ganger will be cooking.

Pocket Change for Progress: Please continue saving your pocket change for VFCC youth programs and School Supply Project. There is a bucket for your change anytime, not just the third Sunday.

On line sermon opportunity: For those tuning in at home, church service will be available to live stream on YouTube (and Facebook). Also available on YouTube, previous services.

Don't forget to subscribe to Valley Falls Christian Church YouTube channel



Sermon Series, Scripture

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|---------|--|
| June 04 | A Guide to Greatness
Mark 9:33-37 |
| June 11 | God's Plan for Families
Mark 10:1-9 |
| June 18 | Father's Day
True Worship
Mark 10:17-22 |
| June 25 | The Triumphal Entry
Mark 11:4-10 |

June	Greeters Communion Prep	Scripture	Devotion	Servers	Nursery
04	Barret	Barret Mark 9:33-37	Jarret	Jay/Stan/ Brian /Aaron	Leane/Jodi
11	Spencer	Spencer Mark 10:1-9	Jarret	Jay/Stan// Ray / Chad	Brittany/Dakota
18	Wistuba	Wistuba Mark 10:17-22	Jarret	Jay/Stan/ Steve / Jackson	Tiffany/Abby
25	Farr	Farr Mark 11:4-10	Jarret	Jay/Stan/ Clinton /Kyle	Aisha/Rhonda

June communion devotion and prayer: Jarret Mitchell

Prayer Requests: Becky Arnold, Christy Arnold, Emma Dockweiler, Ukraine, Diana Davis Family, Navaeh Rivera

OUR SOLDIERS: Curtis Mitchell, Aaron Cook, Jacob Mitchell, Matthew Branam, Noe Garza, Gary Flack, Dayton Flack

Church Offerings:

Apr 23 \$ 768
Apr 30 \$1253

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June Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 2 TABITA MCAFEE
- 5 Donna Slavens
- 6 Carol Welborn
Brian & Lori Barrett (1992)
- 9 Ronnie and Chelsea Pruitt
- 10 Sawyer Wistuba
Rowdy Wistuba
- 17 Leigh Anna Moffet
Janet Strang
- 25 Curtis Mitchell
- 29 Stan & Donetta Farr (1974)
- 30 Kelly Heinen



FLAMING SPIRIT CAMP 2023 Schedule

Registration-Deadline	Camp Week	
HS	May 21	June 4 th -9 th
JR High	May 28	June 11 th -16 th
Jr.	June 4	June 18 th -22 nd
Day Camp,	June 11	June 25 th -27 th
Middler	"	June 27 th -28 th
1 st Chance	"	June 24 th

All registrations are online at:
www.flamingspirit.com

Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

To those who helped with VBS in anyway; attending, donation, work effort, and prayers. An especially BIG THANK YOU, to Aisha for your prep, time and servant's heart in making VBS happen.

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Mike Kirby, Pastor

You are welcome to join us!

Sunday Service times:

Bible Study (all ages) – 9:00 AM Worship – 10:00 AM Youth Group (grades 7-12) – 5:00 PM

Midweek: Bible Study-7:00 PM

Sunday	Monday	Wednesday	Thursday/Friday	Saturday
			1/2	3
4	5	7	8/9	10
5 PM – Youth Group	1:30 PM Sunflower Crafters			8 a.m. Men's Breakfast
11	12	14	15/16	17
5 PM – Youth Group	1:30 PM Sunflower Crafters			Men's Fellowship @ Jarret's Mitchell
Father's Day 18	19	21	22/23	24
No Youth Group	1:30 PM Sunflower Crafters			
25	26	28	29/30	
5 PM Youth Group	1:30 PM Sunflower Crafters			