

The Vine

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

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If you have been following along with the scripture lists, last month I selected one verse from each book of the Bible. Since there are sixty-six books, this list is split into two months.

Remember the Old Testament tells us about the character of God. It teaches us origins. The origin of the universe. The origin of sin. The origin of nations and languages. The origin of God's chosen people.

It shows a God who loves and longs to bring people out of slavery. Most importantly, it points to Jesus Christ, the solution for our slavery to sin and our separation from our creator. Without an understanding of the Old Testament, we can never fully understand or appreciate the New Testament.

This month we finish up the Old Testament verses and move into the New Testament. I will offer one verse from each book. The gospels give us the life of Christ. Acts gives us the life of the church. The epistles teach us doctrine and how to live a Christian life. Revelation brings this world to an end and gives us a glimpse of eternal life. The entire Bible is about the abundant life God offers to us through faith in Jesus Christ.

I could ask ten people the most important verse, or their favorite verse from a New Testament book and possibly get ten different answers. Especially if I ask about the longer gospels, doctrine rich Romans, or the very 'quotable' James or Philippians.

The verses I listed are not necessarily the ones I think are most important. Don't assume they are my favorites. I did pick verses that expressed great truths about God, Jesus, doctrine, and the Christian life. They should encourage you and take you deeper into the word. I also picked verses that might be easier to commit to memory. Since all scripture is useful [*2 Timothy 3:16-17 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.*], it would be wise to store it up in our hearts so we can grow closer to our Lord.

You will want to read these verses in context. Read at least five verses before and five after to understand what the verse means.

As Paul reminded Timothy, *2 Timothy 3:15 ... from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.*

Mike

Each Book – Part 2 Word of Truth

- Sept 1: Nahum 1:7; Habakkuk 2:20
- Sept 2: Zeph. 3:17; Haggai 2:9
- Sept 3: Zech. 12:10; Malachi 2:15
- Sept 4: Matthew 20:28
- Sept 5: Mark 12:30
- Sept 6: Luke 24:5
- Sept 7: John 10:10
- Sept 8: Acts 1:8
- Sept 9: Romans 1:16
- Sept 10: 1 Corinthians 13:13
- Sept 11: 2 Corinthians 12:9
- Sept 12: Galatians 2:20
- Sept 13: Ephesians 2:10
- Sept 14: Philippians 3:14
- Sept 15: Colossians 1:13
- Sept 16: 1 Thessalonians 5:18
- Sept 17: 2 Thessalonians 3:3
- Sept 18: 1 Timothy 2:5
- Sept 19: 2 Timothy 2:15
- Sept 20: Titus 3:5
- Sept 21: Philemon 1:3
- Sept 22: Hebrews 1:3
- Sept 23: James 4:7
- Sept 24: 1 Peter 5:8
- Sept 25: 2 Peter 3:9
- Sept 26: 1 John 1:7
- Sept 27: 2 John 1:9
- Sept 28: 3 John 1:11
- Sept 29: Jude 1:25
- Sept 30: Revelation 3:20

Let's Celebrate New Mommies - Jenna Kerch-erside and Kenzi O'Neill, Sunday, September 14th, before church or after church, by dropping off a gift and having a muffin.

Jenna is expecting a baby boy early October and needs boy clothes, diapers, wet ones and all things boy.

Kenzi had a baby girl, Cora Rose, August 7th. She has plenty of girl clothes but really needs a few diapers, wet ones and gift cards so she can purchase future needs as Cora Rose grows.

New Wednesday Bible Study begins September 24, 7 p.m.

Every Thought Captive by Kyle Idleman: In Every Thought Captive, you will explore a topic crucial for your spiritual growth: the battle for your mind. In Romans 12:2, we read these words: "Do not be conformed to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."

This isn't a study on the power of positive thinking—or how you have the power to change your life—but about learning how God made your brain. He will transform your life as you learn to take every thought captive and submit it to the truth of his Word.

Before we begin this Rightnow Media study, you will have the option to buy the book, the study guide, both or neither. No pressure!

Community Unity Service and Soup Supper

Wait, it isn't January!! You are correct. It seems the January weather causes us to have to cancel or postpone the soup supper about half the time, so the VF Community Christian Council is trying something new. We are moving the soup supper to the same weekend as Grasshopper Falls Days. This year it is hosted by the Catholic Church. It will be on September 21. The soup is served at 6 p.m. The service begins at 7 p.m.

Contenders with Dr. Marc Newman - Learn how to be a pro-life defender. Mike and Gina are going to the September 10th events in Topeka. "How to Teach the Toughest Topic" is a free luncheon for any church leader or teacher. It begins at 11:30 a.m. "Contenders, Making the Case for Life" is a free evening event that anyone may attend. It begins at 6 p.m. Please register by September 3 if you wish to go. See the flyers on the table in the church entryway for more info and a registration link.

Men's Breakfast: September 13, 8 a.m. Stan is cooking.

Pocket Change for Progress: Every 3rd Sunday, we take a special offering of the pocket change you have been saving. The money is divided between VFCC outreach and youth.

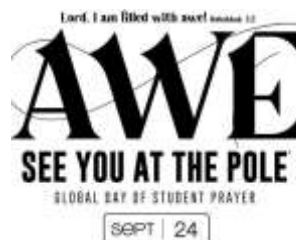
Online sermon opportunity: For those who need to watch at home, church service is live streamed on YouTube (and Facebook). Previous services are also available on YouTube. Subscribe to Valley Falls Christian Church YouTube Channel.

Past sermons are available online at www.valleyfallsc.org.

Sermons

Sept 7	The Rich Man and Lazarus Luke 16:19-26
Sept 14	True Servants Luke 17:7-10
Sept 21	Off Brian Preaches
Sept 28	God Loves the Down and Outers Luke 18:9-14

Board Meeting - Sunday Sept. 7th following church. Board Members, please plan to stay and attend.



Meet at 7 a.m.
at the high
school flag
pole

Men's Fellowship and Fish Fry - Sept. 27th, at Steve Ragan's home, 13197 Blue Mound Dr. Fish and potatoes supplied. Please bring a side dish. Fellowship starts at 5 p.m. and eat at 6 p.m. Please let Steve or Jarret know if you plan to attend so we have enough fish.

Nora Jane, Emery and Jeremiah thank the church family for helping to send them to church camp. They loved it and look forward to going back.

Sept	Greeters	Scripture	Communion Devotion	Servers	Nursery
7	Gerstner	Debbie	Jay	Jay/Stan/ Clinton /Kyle	Debbie/Junior
14	Boyce	R Mitchell	Jay	Jay/Stan/ Steve /Jackson	Brittany/Dakota
21	Gatzemeyer	Nancy	Jay	Jay/Stan/ Brian /Nick	Aisha/Becky
28	J Mithell	Aisha	Jay	Jay/Stan/ Ray /Aaron	Leane/Rowdy

September Communion Devotion and Prayer: Jay

Camera Monitor	Sept 7	Sept 14	Sept 21	Sept 28	
Sunday School	Stephen	Jay	Charles	Jarret	
Worship	Kevin	Cecelia	Ray	Chad	

Prayer Requests: Erika Barrett - good outcome from foot surgery. Jill Boyce, Leah Brown, Elaine Worner, Christy & Becky Arnold, Dodie Bolz

OUR SOLDIERS: Allison Thomas, Curtis Mitchell, Aaron Cook, Jacob Mitchell, Matthew Branam, Noe Garza, All of our troops and leaders. Our President, our nation and our government. (1 Tim 2:1-2) Decisions being made in our nation's leadership.

If you would like to be included on the text prayer chain, notify Donetta by text at 785-224-3497.

Church Offerings:

July 20 \$1559
 July 27 \$ 2080
 Aug 3 \$1849
 Aug 10 \$ 579
 Aug 17 \$1962



Gyve on line: Scan the QR code to download the Gyve app.

Church Email Address - to get items included in the newsletter: news@valleyfallsc.org. Or call or text Cecelia Ragan - (785)-762-2195.

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Grady Baker
- 6 Mary Lou Clark
- 7 Ray Mitchell
Elaine Worner
Jill Boyce
- 19 Chad and Tiffany Spencer (2014)
Todd Spencer
- 20 Adrian Pruitt
- 24 Joel and Courtney Nilges
- 25 Kyle Reich
Nathen Gerety
- 26 Evangeline Nilges
- 27 Kevin Gatzemeyer
- 28 David Branam

Jr. - Sr. High Youth Group - We want to invite all students from 6th - 12th grades to join us Sunday evenings, 5-7 p.m. in the church basement.



**Return Service
Requested**

Phone: 785-945-6757
Email: office@valleyfallsc.org
On the web: www.valleyfallsc.org
Find us on Facebook!

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 6 -12) 5-7 PM

Wednesday: Bible Study - 7:00 PM

September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur/Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day - No crafts	2	3	4/5	6
7 Board meeting 5 p.m. Youth group	8 1:30 p.m. Crafters	9	10	11/12	13 8 a.m. Men's Break- fast
14 Celebrate New Moms 5 p.m. Youth group	15 1:30 p.m. Crafters	16	17	18/19	20
21 8:30 a.m. Biscuits and Gravy Community Soup Supper 5 p.m. Youth group	22 1:30 p.m. Crafters	23	24 7p.m. Bible Study Newsletter Items Due	25/26	27 5 p.m. Men's fellow- ship and fish fry
28 5 p.m. Youth group	29	30			