

The Carpenter's Christian Church  
Sunday, February 18th, 2024

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**Scriptures and Questions for Reflection:**

**Scripture:** Hebrews 12: 1

- Who are some folks from the Bible that you find inspirational to your own faith journey?
- Who are some folks from your life who have been inspirational to your faith?
- What are some of the things we need to “throw off” in order to grow in our faith and run the Christian race?

**Scripture:** Matthew 13: 5 – 6

- Why did the seed in this parable fail to produce fruit?
- What do we need in our Christian life in order to “run with endurance” and finish the race?

**Scripture:** Hebrews 12: 2; Matthew 14: 22 – 31; Psalm 23: 4

- What are some of things of this world that distract us and lead some to take their eyes off of Jesus?
- Discuss the value of keeping your eyes on Jesus amidst a storm.

**Scripture:** Hebrews 12: 3 – 4; 2 Thessalonians 3: 13

- How does reflecting upon Jesus' sacrifice encourage us in our faith journey?
- Do you ever become weary in doing good? If so, what contributes to that feeling? What encourages you when you feel that way?

**Question:** How can each of the scriptures below encourage someone who feels weary in doing good and perhaps thinks they're not making a difference?

- Isaiah 55: 11 –
- Proverbs 22: 6 –
- Luke 18: 1 – 8 –
- Proverbs 24: 16 –
- 2 Timothy 4: 7 – 8 –

**“Habit # 7 - Persisting”**

- I. The great \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_...
  - a. Be encouraged by people who were great examples of \_\_\_\_\_.
  
- II. Throwing off what \_\_\_\_\_...
  - a. We sometimes try to run the race while carrying \_\_\_\_\_.
  
- III. Run with \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. The importance of having \_\_\_\_\_...
  - b. When we are not rooted, we are primed to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  
- IV. Keep your eyes on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. We live in a \_\_\_\_\_ that provides a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ to a life of faith.
  - b. There's a huge difference between being focused on \_\_\_\_\_ instead of the \_\_\_\_\_.
  
- V. Stand strong in the face of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Keep doing the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Persist in \_\_\_\_\_ God's \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. Persist in \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_.
  - d. Persist in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - e. Persist in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - f. Keep your focus on the \_\_\_\_\_.

**Notes:**

## Announcements:

### Today, February 18th –

- Tonight at The Vineyard:
  - Special music - Amy Branam
  - Devotion - Buddy Wilson
  - Testimony -- Patrick Branam

### Monday, February 19th --

- Church-wide prayer at 6:30 PM in the student center.

### Tuesday, February 20th –

- Mending Hearts Plus at 10 AM.

### Wednesday, February 21st –

- Adult life groups, Team Kid, & student ministry at 6:30 PM.

### Thursday, February 22nd –

- Celebrate Recovery (Meal at 5:30 PM) (Program at 6:30 PM.)
- Grief Share at 6 PM.

### Saturday, February 24th –

- Blood drive from 10 AM – 2 PM.

### Sunday, February 25th –

- Gideon Sunday – Love offering will be collected.
- The Vineyard meets at 6:30 PM.

### Facts & Figures from last week:

#### Sunday AM worship

1 <sup>st</sup> service attendance –	295
2 <sup>nd</sup> service attendance –	603
Total in-person --	898
Online --	109
Total attendance -	1007
Baptism -	1

#### Offering

Weekly budget need -	\$22,921
Offering --	\$22,665

#### Discipleship

Sunday school -	174
The Vineyard -	N/A
Adult LIFE groups -	101
Team Kid / students --	265

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# February prayer request

<p><u>Alex Williamson</u> Air Force Guam  <u>Andrew Goodlett</u> Army  <u>Andrew Minton</u> Navy Reserve  <u>Austin Logdon</u> Nat'l. Guard  <u>Austin Taylor</u> Air Force  <u>Avery Allison</u> Army  <u>Carter Briscoe</u> Army  <u>Chase Edwards</u> Nat'l. Guard  <u>Chayse Abrams</u> Air Force  <u>Chris Booth</u> Air Force  <u>Clay Morris</u> Air Force  <u>Cody Williams</u> Nat'l Guard  <u>Dakota Stevens</u> Nat'l. Guard  <u>Dominic Raimondi</u> Marines  <u>Dylan Powell</u> Army  <u>Eddie Donahue</u> Nat'l. Guard  <u>Emily Martin</u> Air Force  <u>Gage Mooneyham</u> Air Force  <u>Garrett Gillespie</u> Marines  <u>Isaac Rogers</u> Air force</p>	<p><u>Jacob Stein</u> Navy - Deployed  <u>Jason Carey</u> Marines  <u>Jerry Sexton</u> Kuwait  <u>John Holiday</u> Army  <u>John Whited</u> Air Force  <u>Jorgan Perez</u> Nat'l Guard  <u>Kerry Anne Fernandez</u> Air Force  <u>Logan Bustle</u> Nat'l. Guard  <u>Lyndsay Franklin</u>  <u>Matthew Bensinger</u> Navy  <u>Maxton Hensley</u> Army  <u>Michael Shepersen</u> Nat'l. Guard  <u>Sam Hassall</u> Marines  <u>Tanner Goodlett</u>  <u>Taylor Young</u> Nat'l. Guard  <u>Trent Harmon</u> Marines  <u>Ty Abrams</u> Navy  <u>Ty Gillison</u> Marines  <u>Will Matherly</u> Army - Iraq  <u>Zac Curtsinger</u> Air Force</p>
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<p><u>Allyn Easter Walker</u> Trai*1  <u>Aaron Sparks</u> Family  <u>B.C. Allen</u> Nursing Home*Heart surgery  <u>Betty Robertson</u> Willows*  <u>Betty Ryan</u> Willows*  <u>Bill Lay</u>  <u>Bill &amp; Cathy Abney</u> Health concerns  <u>Bill Sanders</u> Cancer  <u>Billy Conner</u>  <u>Bob &amp; Brenda Brown</u> Health  <u>Bobby Carrier</u> JR MS*  <u>Bobby Snell</u>  <u>Christina Corbitt</u>*  <u>Connie Gibson</u> Cancer/Chemo  <u>Connie Hart</u>  <u>David Timmons</u> Seizures/Health concerns  <u>Dee Click</u> Health concern*  <u>Dennis Covey</u> Eye surgery  <u>Dora Sue Hart</u> Harrodsburg HHC*  <u>Gary Ellis</u> Family  <u>Hanley McMullin</u> Health concerns  <u>Harry Strickland</u>  <u>Harold Gritton</u> HHC*  <u>Haven Care Center</u>*  <u>Katherine Patterson</u> Cancer/treatments  <u>Katherine Shurtliff</u> Braina Tumor  <u>Kelsey Stopher</u> pneumonia/Test  <u>Kevin Gibson</u> Cancer/Hospice care  <u>Janie Porter</u> Colon cancer  <u>Jean Cummins</u> CHF Nursing Facility*  <u>Jeremi Redmon</u> Accident/Foot concerns  <u>Jessika Coe Wuthenow</u> Brain surgery  <u>John Robertson</u> Surgery/recovery</p>	<p><u>Joe Barrett</u>  <u>Laura Harris</u> Knee surgery/recovery  <u>Law Enforcement &amp; Families</u>*  <u>Lee Readnower</u> MS*  <u>Lisa Lewis Martin</u> Cancer  <u>Lola Proctor</u> Dialysis  <u>Michael Followell</u> Declining Health  <u>Michael Straszheim</u> Stage 4 Cancer  <u>Missy Razor</u> Cancer*  <u>New Converts</u>  <u>Nick Barrett</u>*  <u>Norris Hardison</u> Thomson-Hood VC*  <u>Olivia Barrett</u>*  <u>Pam Ellis</u> HHC*  <u>Patsy Harshbarger</u> Renel Cell Carcinoma  <u>Paul Cornish</u> Health  <u>Paul Dean</u> Health concerns  <u>Paul Hensley</u> Surgery/recovery  <u>Pat Goodlett</u> Eyesight*  <u>Patsy Harshbarger</u> Renal Cell Carcinoma  <u>Phyllis Barrett</u> Recovery  <u>Richard &amp; Charlene Wilder</u> Health  <u>Ronnie Griffen</u> Colon Cancer  <u>Sandra Masters</u> Health issues*  <u>Shane Casey</u> Brain aneurysm/surgery  <u>Tammy Brinegar</u> Lung cancer/health  <u>Those trapped in addiction</u>*  <u>Tim Darland</u> Recovery  <u>Tim Humpries, Jr.</u> Cerebral palsy  <u>Unspoken Request</u>*  <u>USA</u>*  <u>Vernon Huffman</u> Recovery from fall  <u>Veterans</u>*</p>
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[debbie@carpenterschristian.church](mailto:debbie@carpenterschristian.church)

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[carpenterschristian.church/prayer](http://carpenterschristian.church/prayer)