

What About Grief?

You can tell a lot about a person by discovering what makes them happy and by what makes them cry.

Matt. 5:4.

- I. A time to weep.
 - a. In the reign of God there is a place for tears. Ec. 3:4.
 - b. He seems to suggest that Christian tears are not an oxymoron.
 - i. The “Christianity” of our day says. . .
 - ii. The Bible is full of the records of the tears of God’s saints.
 1. Is. 53:3.
 2. Heb. 5:7.
- II. A need to keep . . .
 - a. A godly burden over the sin of the world.
 - i. Moments when Jesus wept.
 1. John 11.
 2. Luke 19:41-44.
 - ii. How often do we weep over unbelief? Ps. 119:136.
 - b. A godly sorrow over the sin in my own heart.
 - i. 2 Cor. 7:10.
 - ii. What does a contrite spirit look like? Luke 7:37-38.
- III. How does God do this? A mourner will reap:
 - a. Comfort through the presence of the Holy Spirit.
 - i. Jesus said to the disciples, “I will send you a comforter.
 - ii. Ps. 119:76.
 - b. Comfort through the practice of Biblical community.
 - i. 2 Cor. 7:6.
 - ii. 2 Cor. 1:3-4.
 - c. Comfort through the promise of heaven.
 - i. Rev. 21:4.

Ps. 126:5, “Those who sow in tears will reap with songs of joy.”

**COUNTRY CLUB ROAD
CHURCH of CHRIST**

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Sunday Worship (10:00 a.m.)

Sunday Bible Study (9:00 a.m.)

Wednesday Bible Study (6:30)

Life Groups (Various Locations)

Minister:

Doug Austin

Elders:

Tim Dunnahoo

Wayne Fenter - Lee Rogers

Kent Taylor - David West

Elder Chairman of the Month:

David West

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Song Leader: Wayne Fenter

Song: 401 – We Will Glorify

Welcome: Brandon Cometti

Songs: 156 – He Is Lord

707 – On Bended Knee

617 – Make Me New

564 – Make Me a Servant

Communion Song: 304 – What a Savior

Communion Offering: Robert Austin

Song: 572 – I Surrender All

Sermon: Doug Austin – “What About Grief?”

Invitation Song: 706 – Lord, Take Control (2x)

Closing Song: 824 – In the Morning of Joy (vs. 1 & 3)

Closing Prayer: Jose Baeza

Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)

Acts – Doug Austin (Rm. 27)

Foundations – Jesse M., Jon Y., Oscar H. (Sm. Fellowship)

Revelation (Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquez (Rm. 22)

Jr. High/High School – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26)

JL 4th – 6th grade – JL History Room

JL 1st – 3rd grade – JL History Room

4’s, 5’s & Kinder – Amy Joy (Rm. 12)

2’s & 3’s – Rachel & Mattie McCarty (Rm. 3)

Nursery up through age 2 – Various teachers (Rm. 1)

Life Group meeting times & locations:

Warboys Life Group meets @ 4 in Room 25

Morrow Life Group meets @ 4 in the couch room

Austin Life Group meets @ 5 at 3313 Highland



Visitors, please scan the QR code to let us know you’re worshipping with us today. We pray our time together is a blessing to you!

Prayer Requests

- o **Gale Wright** continues to experience difficult days and issues with mobility. Prayers continue to be much appreciated.
- o **Barry Carter** was to begin immunotherapy treatments on Thursday in Houston.

Continue in Prayer

Anita Zuniga, Clara O’Neil, Sam & Pat Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Helen Aston, Elaine Bell, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Mary Ann Baeza, George & Betty Vinson, Janice Bennett, Doris Rodriguez, Cecilia Contreras



Those Scheduled to Serve for July

Deacons on Duty: Greg Nibert, George Escalante, Joe Sanchez, Bryce Taylor

Men on Duty: Ron Doyle, Ronnie Merritt, Jerry Ringheimer

Life@CCR

- **Mark your calendars for a Journey Land meeting, taking place on Wednesday, July 24th at 5:30 p.m. in the Small Fellowship.** At this meeting Melissa will be relaying plans for our 2024-25 Journey Land curriculum as well as recruiting help for the year. It will be a brown bag supper meeting, so please bring your own dinner.
- **We have a Youth Group workday planned for Wednesday, July 17th @ 9:30 a.m. All youth are encouraged to attend to begin making renovations to the youth rooms!**

There have been some exciting developments in the works for our Vision 2030 Initiative!

One of the desires of our vision casting teams was to put this great big building to use and God has answered that call in a big way!

NMMI’s Intermediate Preparatory School will be utilizing our gym for four hours—up to 5 days a week for their P.E. classes.

Moreover, we will be host to the Pecos Valley Classical Conversations homeschool group, which will bring approximately 30-50 children & their parents through our doors every single Tuesday.

Additionally, we are thrilled with the partnership we have begun to cultivate with our local CYFD. Many thanks to those who donated towards our school supply drive, our teens filled all 55 backpacks on Wednesday night, and they were delivered to the CYFD office on Thursday.



Week @ a Glance
Celebrations & Happenings

14th	Bible Class @ 9 a.m. A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM, Facebook Live & YouTube. Elena Howe’s b-day.
17th	Teen workday @ 9:30 p.m. Pizza fellowship @ 5:30 p.m. Devo & Gym Night @ 6:30 p.m. Carter Cometti’s b-day.
19th	Memorial service for Pat Gentry @ 12 p.m.
20th	Ellen Taylor’s b-day.

Life Groups Study Guide

Text: Matt. 5:4 and Luke 19:41-44

1. Wrestle with the phrase: “Join Jesus and all your troubles will go away.” True, false, some of both? Why?
2. Have you ever seen a community or a church lament? Tell their story if possible.
3. Focus on Luke 19:41-44:
 - a. Why is it significant that Jesus wept over Jerusalem?
 - b. Do we feel the same emotion over our community?
4. Is there a connection between the first beatitude (Matt. 5:3) and the second?
5. How do we find comfort from the Holy Spirit? From the community of believers? From the promise of heaven?

For the Record

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class.....	95/53
Sunday AM.....	183
Weekly Contribution.....	\$7,866