Hope Rises: Failure

Where can you go to fail safe?

Matt. 25:24-27.

- Have you ever let the fear of what might go wrong intimidate you?
 - a. We call that "playing it safe."
 - b. At the cross we were all examined and we all flunked.
 - i. Luke 7.
 - ii. That was the reason for the cross in the first place!
 - iii. Col. 2:13-15.

iv.

- Three things about failure that should bring us some liberation from our failures.
 - a. Our failures are not fatal.
 - i. We have failed and we will fail again.
 - ii. Heb. 11 Abraham, Isaac, Moses, Samson
 - iii. One of the greatest proofs of grace in the Old Testament is Jonah 3:1.
 - iv. John 21, "Take care of my sheep."
 - b. Our failures refine us.
 - i. God doesn't just forgive our failures he transforms them.
 - ii. God even uses failure to promote kingdom success.
 - iii. Our failure may mean a detour, but it does not mean the end of the road.
 - c. Our failures are not final.
 - i. God still views you with an unfailing love, because God distinguishes between your failure and your value.
 - ii. Failure is what you did, not who you are!
 - iii. Prov. 24:16.

God is ready to use my brokenness, he is ready to use yours too.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday Bible Study (9:00 a.m.) Wednesday Bible Study (6:30)Sunday Worship (10:00 a.m.)

Life Groups (Various Locations)

Elder Chairman of the Month: Tim Dunnahoo - Lee Rogers Kent Taylor - David West Doug Austin **Elders**:

Kent Taylor





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Song Leader: Kent Taylor

Song: 124 – Oft We Come Together

Welcome: Bryce Taylor

Songs: 141 – Words and Music

133 – I Stand Amazed (vs. 1, 4 & 5) 140 – Wonderful Story of Love 125 - Amazing Grace (vs. 1, 2, 3 & 6)

Communion Song: 339 – Low in the Grave He Lay

Communion Offering: Doug Austin

Dismissal for Kid's Church

Song: 922 – Bring Christ Your Broken Life (vs. 1, 2 & 3)

Sermon: Doug Austin – "Hope Rises: Failure" Invitation Song: 572 – I Surrender All (vs. 1 & 3) Closing Song: 838 – Where the Soul Never Dies (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Robert Austin

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

The Period Between the Testaments – Jon Young (Rm. 27) How We Got the Bible – Jesse McCarty (Sm. Fellowship) **Philippians** – Doug Austin (Couch Room) Revelation (Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquez (Rm. 15) **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

- Wynn Anderson is recuperating from a heart ablation procedure on Wednesday.
- Gale Wright's foot surgery has been rescheduled for November 15th.

Continue in Prayer

Anita Zuniga, Clara O'Neil, Sam Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Helen Aston, Elaine Bell, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Mary Ann Baeza, Betty Vinson, Janice Bennett, Doris Rodriguez, Gale Wright, Charles Glover, David Bradley, Jeremy Moya, Diana Bergman, Robert Gomez

Special Offering

The special offering for Operation Christmas Child raised \$596 in the first week! The kid's will continue to take up a collection for the next couple of Sunday's. There is no pressure whatsoever to contribute but if you feel led, the money is going to a great cause! In the coming week's our



children will be packing shoeboxes filled with fun toys, school supplies, and hygiene items. These shoeboxes will be delivered to children in need around the world. What a great way to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way! Thanks so much for your support.

Journey	Land	Rotation
Week o	f 10/	6/2024

Red Team		Blue Team	
Sunday	Wednesday	Sunday	Wednesday
10/6: Art	10/9: Oil of Joy	10/6: Games	10/9: Art
Application	(Buyout)		(Buyout)

Life@CCR

- A special thanks is extended to Dani Baier for the delicious pulled pork sandwiches and coleslaw at Recharge this week. Thanks also to Marcine McDaniel for the variety of tasty cupcakes. Look forward to next week's meal which will be a baked potato bar.
- Trunk or Treat is just around the corner, taking place on the afternoon of October 27th! This year's event will take place in the gym. We need volunteers to provide and decorate a table/booth to pass out candy to our visitors. A sign-up sheet for tables is out on the foyer table. Also, we need lots & lots of candy donations!
- The warm clothing & blanket drive to benefit those living on the Navajo Reservation will continue through the end of October. If you have new or gently used blankets, jackets, hats, and/or gloves please donate them to our collection bin in the church foyer. Josh Austin, who is our missionary at the Salt River Church of Christ will be here on 10/30 to pick up the donations and offer an update on the work taking place in the Mesa, AZ area.
- The church pantry is in decent shape but could use donations of canned meat & spaghetti sauce. Typically, we see requests for food tick up during the holiday season. Thank you for your continued support of this little ministry.
- We will need a couple of volunteers for Journey Land in Oct/Nov. If you are willing to help, please see Melissa Ramirez.

For the Record

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class	122/103
Sunday AM	239
Kid's Church	41
Social Media Count	197
Weekly Contribution	\$8,785

Week @ a Glance

Celebrations & Happenings

6 th	A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM,
	Facebook Live & YouTube.
	Sue Creighton & Bryce Taylor's b-day.
7 th	Wynn Anderson's b-day.
8 th	Gerald Cox, Britannie Burden & Barbara Garrett's
	b-day.
9 th	Ladies Bible Class @ 10 a.m.
	Recharge @ 5:30 p.m.
	Bible Class @ 6:30 p.m.
	ReChele Taylor & John Matta's b-day.
10 th	JoVely Lopez's b-day.
12 th	Nici Austin & Jesse McCarty's b-day.

Life Groups Study Guide -

Text: Matt. 25:24-27

- 1. Any amusing "epic fails" you are willing to tell?
- 2. Why is failure important? What have you learned from your failures?
- 3. Question for parents: should we allow our children to fail? Do we? Why or why not?
- 4. Focus on some of the heroes of the Bible. Did they fail? Tell their stories. What was God able to accomplish in spite of those failures?
- 5. How has God used your failure to grant you a new measure of wisdom? A deeper faith?
- 6. How does God distinguish between your failure and your value? How do we do this to others?

Those Scheduled to Serve for October

Deacons on Duty: Dan Montgomery, Jose Baeza, Brandon

Cometti, Brian Houghtalin

Men on Duty: Kevin McCormack, Thomas Beard