

THE ROCK HILL HERALD

The bulletin of the Rock Hill church of Christ



The Rock Hill church of Christ

9426 PGA Pkwy

Frisco TX 75035

(972)347-1919

rhcoc.org • rhilchurch@gmail.com

Worship Times:

- Bible Class — 9:00AM
- Sunday Worship — 10:00AM
- Sunday PM Worship — 6:00PM
- Wednesday Bible study — 7:00PM

Elders:

- Jim Boles
- Charles Haley
- Doug Jones
- Scott Wallace

Deacons:

- Reiven Holt
- Hugh Ruebush
- John Smetzer
- Burley Stinnett

Preacher:

- Park Linscomb

*"We're Here
and We Care"*

SPIRITUAL TIDBITS

DAVID AND DANIEL

For those who enjoy the historical part of Scripture, we will discuss some of the attributes of two very famous men whose names we encounter; David and Daniel. Because of Park's eloquent studies regarding Daniel, some of us (including the writer) quickly have to differentiate between the two to keep the significance of each in proper order and perspective.

If asked to tell, would we know who was born first? Would we know the difference between the roles of each separately? Was either more significant than the other? How about the relationship (if any) between each of these significant Spiritual leaders? Just for 'our learning' we will uncover some details concerning each of them today, keeping in mind that the historical dates are always suspect for their accuracy...but used for reference (disclaimer).

The David mostly referred to, was King of the whole of Israel prior to the separation of Israel and Judah. He was the younger son of the House of Jesse and appointed King by God's selection as Saul's replacement. **I Samuel 16:1-13** He was born 1040 BC and was of the Tribe of Judah. He reigned from 1011-971 BC after his full service as king in **II Samuel 5:1-5**. David was described by the inspired writer as "a man after God's own heart" in **Acts 13:22**.

David was also used as a 'landmark' of Christian history in **Matthew 1:17**; "all the generations from Abraham to David were 14 generations, and from David until the carrying away into Babylon were 14 generations". By ancient Scripture and popular Christian belief, the Messiah would come through the "seed of David" as noted in **II Samuel 7:12-13**.

Daniel served God as a Prophet during a time of the Jewish decline as the 'chosen people of God'. The Ten Tribes were exiled under Assyrian rule. The remaining two Tribes (Judah and Benjamin) were under Babylonian captivity and Daniel was taken by the King to serve in Babylon. Daniel was born approx. 622 BC, and was the age of 16-17 years when taken to Babylon in 605 BC. David died in 970 BC, meaning Daniel was born nearly 350 years afterwards. He was blessed of God with knowledge and wisdom and was used to help stabilize the remaining Jewish people with faith in God and obedience to the Law. His positive spiritual influence was noted through the Jews return and rebuilding the Temple

Doug Jones

Family News

“For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.” Ephesians 2:18,19

If you are visiting our congregation, **welcome!** Please fill out a visitor's card and put it in the collection tray as it is passed. If you have questions, we welcome them; please do not hesitate to ask Park Linscomb, our minister (the tall guy) or any other church member.

N . E . W . S .

OUR MONTHLY LEADERSHIP MEETING for the elders, deacons, and preacher will be today, October 12, at 4PM at the church fellowship hall. **SCAMS AND FINANCIAL CONCERNS** A sign-up list has been put in the back of the auditorium to gauge the congregation's interest in a special series on one or both of these topics.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY — Park will present a series of lessons on Marriage and Family on three successive Wednesdays, Nov. 5, 12, and 19.

- ▶ Nov. 12 *Common marriage issues and what the Bible says about them*
 - ▶ Sex
 - ▶ Falling in love again
 - ▶ Family leadership
 - ▶ Married Singles
 - ▶ Communication
 - ▶ His Needs / Her Needs

THE WHITE ROCK FUND — a mission support effort is hosting their annual reporting and fundraising day on October 25. Put it on your calendar

and plan on coming. It is always an encouraging day. And it comes with a free lunch.

THE CHURCH'S WEBSITE will be getting a fresh new look within the next few weeks — a little brighter and friendlier.

SUNDAY EVENING started a new series on the book of Daniel; this Sunday evening, will be Daniel 4. Come and find out about this little studied book of the Bible.

THE NEXT MEN'S BREAKFAST will be Nov. 1 at 9AM. Come and bring others with you.

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Chris Shotwell's father very ill in Waco.
- Freida is home and not feeling very good.
- Linda Curry needs prayers for her heart Afib
- Burley's safe return from his mission trip to India
- Susie C. Please pray for a quick recovery from eye surgery.
- Esther Myrick, low blood count
- Reiven and Ora H — Pray for quick and complete recoveries
- Ken Conklin recovering for a heart oblation..

What if "All In" was not a catch phrase but a way of life in Christ? - Corky Calhoun

- The Staffords, our missionaries in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, granddaughter Peyton living with them.
- Mary H is recovering at home.
- Bonnie D recovering from a minor stroke.
- Churches in New England
- Brethren in India
- Our leaders, parents, families, marriages, widows, and singles of our congregation.

LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

- Elizabeth's cousin Tracy with Lupus, and also her cousin Debbie
- Isela H's sister Griselda's illness
- Dale and Lavonia C.
- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela
- Travis Y. feeding tube

READ-THE-BIBLE-IN-A-YEAR

- Oct 12, Matthew 25-26
- Oct 13, Matthew 27-28
- Oct 14, Mark 1-3
- Oct 15, Mark 4-5
- Oct 16, Mark 6-7
- Oct 17, Mark 8-9
- Oct 18, Mark 10-11
- Oct 19, Mark 12-13



THE WHITE ROCK FUND
Reporting and Fundraising Day
October 25, 2025
Shawnee Trail church of Christ

Mission reports from all over the world!
Luncheon

A word of Encouragement

"For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it." Hebrews 2:1, NAS95.

IT'S A SCAM!...

"THE HEALTH AND WEALTH GOSPEL"

While it is true that there are plenty of scam artists that will use the modern miracle ruse to try to fleece people of their money and their souls, probably the most conscience-less is the "Health and Wealth Gospel". "What is this?" you may ask.

The health and wealth gospel seeks to convince you that God wants you rich, successful, and healthy, and that it is only a matter of faith, usually shown by a substantial "faith donation" to one "pastor's" church or organization to get God to bless you. Passages out of the Old Testament are sometimes used to make their case. At other times Dale Carnegie's "power of positive thinking" philosophy is dressed up in religious phrases mixed with plenty of "witnesses" who believed, gave their faith "tithes", found plenty of material blessings as their reward. Indeed, the "pastor's" own material wealth is subtly referred to as proof that what he is saying "works". Material wealth is seen as proof of God's approval. Those who are poor simply haven't got enough faith and need to continue to prove their faith through donations. No wonder these "pastors" are so wealthy. What a scam!

The apostle Paul spoke of men like this, when he wrote, "...men of depraved mind and deprived of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. But godliness actually is a means of great gain when accompanied by contentment" (1 Timothy 6:5-6 NAS95). But of course, such men and such people that follow them are not content with what they have. They are under the delusion that good people will always be rewarded with good material things, and so they are religious. Job's friends were likewise deluded and therefore concluded that Job's sudden loss of all his riches was the result of some sin he had committed. The whole point of Job is to debunk such an idea; and that we shouldn't obey because of the material wealth we may receive, but because we love and are loyal to God.

The blessings that the "health and wealth" gospel preachers will often refer to are those blessings that were promised to Israel if they were faithful to the Mosaic covenant found in places like Deuteronomy 7:12ff and Deuteronomy 11. Even so, God did tell Israel that "For the poor will never cease to be in the land; there-

fore I command you, saying, 'You shall freely open your hand to your brother, to your needy and poor in your land'" (Deuteronomy 15:11 NAS95). The truth of the matter is that, while following God's commands really does bless your life in the here and now, it is not necessarily in terms of a bigger bank account or a healed body.

Jesus wasn't wealthy. None of the apostles owned a mansion or had a big bank account. Early Christians martyrs often had their houses and whatever wealth they had confiscated or destroyed. They were beaten, imprisoned, and crucified. Why? Because they were not faithful enough? They had sinned? They hadn't sent in their generous "faith tithes"? I think we all know the answer to these questions.

But this is not to say that obeying God's commands has no benefit here and now. It does. So, what can we expect if we follow God's commands? We can expect better families, better health, better finances, better relationships, a better reputation, and more. God's way has always been with our best interests at heart. But "better" doesn't mean fairy tale endings or rose garden lives.

No Christian should expect to be exempt from the trials and troubles of this life. We and all the people we love will someday grow old or get sick, and die and we will mourn — this is just life after "the fall". Satan will try to discourage, tempt, and try us in every way possible (Revelation 12), especially in those areas in which we are most vulnerable which he hopes will lead to faithlessness on our part. Evil men will seek to hurt, cheat, lie, persecute, oppress, and take advantage of us. We may not be able to reach our aspirations in this life in wealth or accomplishment. We may have to learn the hard lessons of patience and contentment. If we **expect** to be exempt from troubles in this life, we will be sorely disappointed. And those that put faith in the "health and wealth gospel" will find themselves greatly disillusioned.

The bottom line here: Rather than try this religious "get rich quick" scheme, we need to seek the treasures above and not the treasures of earth (Matthew 6:19-21). Don't fall for the "health and wealth gospel" scam.

Park Linscomb

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN OCTOBER

	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 9:00AM Bible classes ■ 10:00AM Worship ■ 4:00PM Leadership meeting ■ 6:00PM Worship 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mercie F. 🙏 Renita C. 🙏 Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples' Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doug J. 🙏 10:00AM Ladies' Bible class 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collins C. 🙏 7:00PM Wed. Bible class 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dan & Renita C. ❤️ Johnny V. 🙏 	

SERVICE IN WORSHIP

Week of October 12AMPMWed.
 AnnouncementsCharles H.....Charles H
 Song Leading.....Scott W.....Doug J.....Charles H
 Opening PrayerReiven H.....Hugh R
 CommunionYaw FJohn S
 Closing PrayerJim BJim B
 A/V Control.....Scott WCharles H...John S
 Greeter.....Jim B

Week of October 19AMPMWed.
 AnnouncementsJohn SJohn S
 Song Leading.....Doug JScott WReiven H
 Opening PrayerMarty K.....Doug J
 CommunionChris SJim B
 Closing PrayerScott W.....Ralph K
 A/V Control.....John SScott WCharles H
 Greeter.....Hugh R



Sermon Notes...
