

CONNECT CHURCH
RECONNECTING

**WELCOME
HOME**

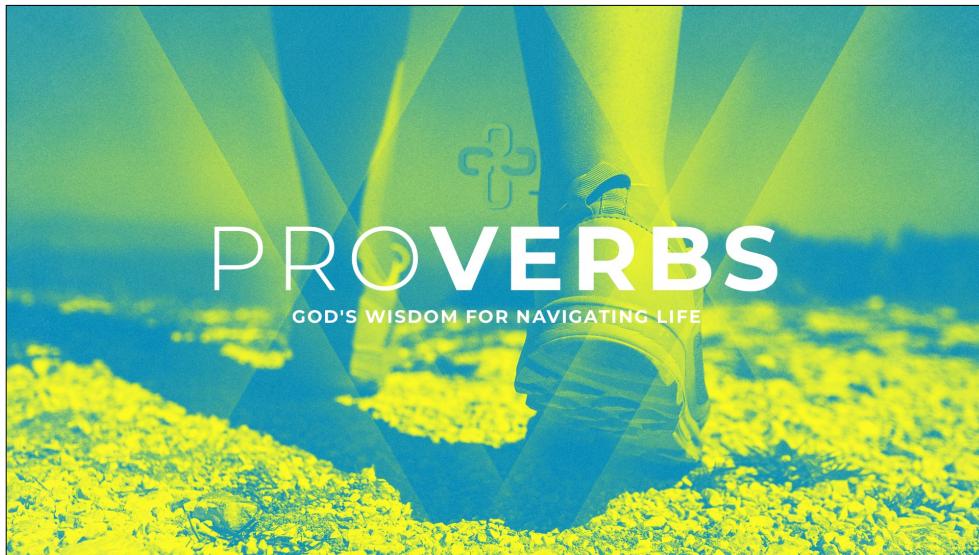
AUGUST 9, 2020

Accepting Discipline

Scripture

- 1 One who becomes stiff-necked, after many reprimands will be shattered instantly—beyond recovery.
 - 2 When the righteous flourish, the people rejoice, but when the wicked rule, people groan.
 - 3 A man who loves wisdom brings joy to his father, but one who consorts with prostitutes destroys his wealth.
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- 12 If a ruler listens to lies, all his officials will be wicked.
 - 13 The poor and the oppressor have this in common: the Lord gives light to the eyes of both.
 - 14 A king who judges the poor with fairness—his throne will be established forever.
 - 15 A rod of correction imparts wisdom, but a youth left to himself is a disgrace to his mother.
 - 16 When the wicked increase, rebellion increases, but the righteous will see their downfall.
 - 17 Discipline your child, and it will bring you peace of mind and give you delight.
 - 18 Without revelation people run wild, but one who follows divine instruction will be happy.
 - 19 A servant cannot be disciplined by words; though he understands, he doesn't respond.
 - 20 Do you see someone who speaks too soon? There is more hope for a fool than for him.

Proverbs 29:1-3, 12-20 CSB



Additional Resources

Explore the Bible, Proverbs; Song of Songs, Summer 2020; Biblegateway.com; preceptaustin.org; Proverbs, J. Vernon McGee, Thru the Bible Books.

SOAP

SCRIPTURE – Read the passage of the day

OBSERVATION – Write the point of the passage

APPLICATION – Ask yourself how this Scripture applies to your life

PRAYER – Ask God to help you use this Scripture

Finding Honor

Main Passage for August 16 - Proverbs 31:10-16, 23-31 CSB

Monday - Isaiah 32:8

Wednesday - Proverbs 31:11-12

Friday - Proverbs 31:23-27

Tuesday - Proverbs 31:10

Thursday - Proverbs 31:13-16

Saturday - Proverbs 31:28-31

Memory Verse: Proverbs 22:19

“I have instructed you today - even you - so that your confidence may be in the LORD.”

Mission Statement

To glorify God by leading others to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.





God's Word - Devoted to Him

Offer yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life. (Romans 6:13)

One night I went to hear a sermon on consecration. Nothing special came to me from the message, but as the preacher knelt to pray, he said, "O Lord, You know we can trust the Man who died for us." That was my message. As I rose from my knees and walked down the street to catch the train, I deeply pondered all that consecration would mean to my life. I was afraid as I considered the personal cost, and suddenly, above the noise of the street traffic, came this message: "You can trust the Man who died for you." I boarded the train, and as I traveled toward home, I thought of the changes, sacrifices, and disappointments that consecration might mean in my life—and I was still afraid.

Upon arriving home, I went straight to my room, fell on my knees, and saw my life pass before my eyes. I was a Christian, an officer in the church, and a Sunday school superintendent, but I had never yielded my life to God with a definite act of my will. Yet as I thought of my own "precious" plans that might be thwarted, my beloved hopes to be surrendered, and my chosen profession that I might have to abandon—I was afraid.

I completely failed to see the better things God had for me, so my soul was running from Him. And then for the last time, with a swift force of convicting power to my inmost heart, came that searching message: "My child, you can trust the Man who died for you. If you cannot trust Him, then whom can you trust?" Finally that settled it for me, for in a flash of light I realized that the Man who loved me enough to die for me could be absolutely trusted with the total concerns of the life He had saved.

Dear friend, you can trust the Man who died for you. You can trust Him to thwart each plan that should be stopped and to complete each one that results in His greatest glory and your highest good. You can trust Him to lead you down the path that is the very best in this world for you. J. H. M.

Just as I am, Thy love unknown, Has broken every barrier down, Now to be Thine, yea, Thine ALONE,
O Lamb of God, I come!

Life is not wreckage to be saved out of the world but an investment to be used in the world.

From Streams in the Desert

To confess your sins to God is not to tell God anything God doesn't already know.

Until you confess them, however, they are the abyss between you.

When you confess them, they become the Golden State Bridge.

Frederick Buechner

CONNECT CHURCH



Attendance & Offering Last Sunday

Online	575
TOTAL	575
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Offering	\$ 20,254.66
FFIA	\$ 4,203.42

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Robbery without a weapon

“...You have gone away from my ordinances and have not kept them...you have robbed me!” Malachi 3:7-9

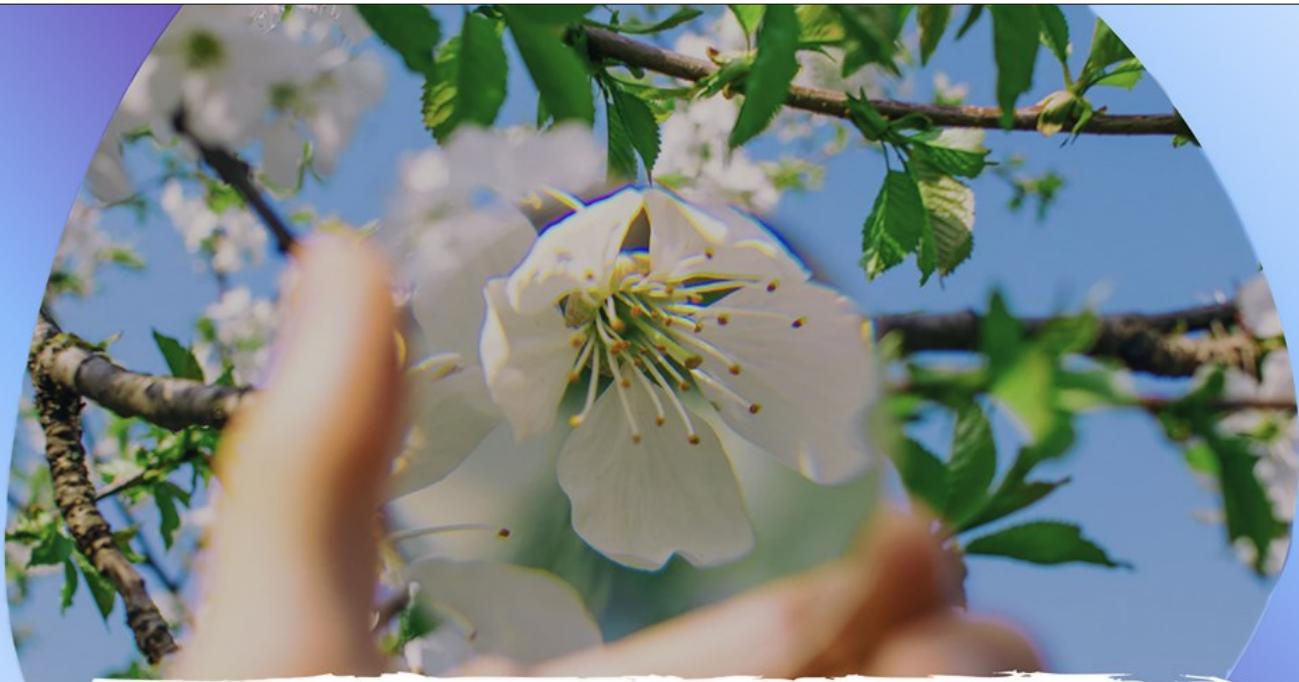
Here is God's apparent problem with us. It is robbery without a weapon. “YOU have robbed Me!” But the truth is when we rob God there are some other things we rob in the process. When we do not faithfully bring the tithe to God we rob the church of its ministry. We also rob the world of the gospel through great missionary enterprises. But even more personally, we rob ourselves of great blessings. “It is more blessed to give than to receive” (Acts 20:35)

In the New Testament we find these words escaping the lips of our Lord, “Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's” (Matt. 22:21). Is it not amazing that some church members would never entertain the thought of not paying their taxes (that is, rendering unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's)? Many of us would never think of not paying taxes on our home, sales taxes, or federal income taxes. And yet many of us never render unto God the things that are God's! This is *God's apparent problem* with us. It is a personal problem. We have robbed Him.

As we further examine the text, we see the problem is not only personal, but it is also *pointed*. God says, “you have robbed Me” (Mal. 3:8). We answer back, “How have we robbed You?” His answer comes in a very pointed way, “In tithes and offerings” (Mal. 3:8). Tithing is God's appointed program for us. It always has been, and it always will be. There are some today that say the tithe is merely an Old Testament law and is not applicable for this dispensation of grace. The truth of the matter is the tithe existed among the people of God long before the law was given. In Genesis 14:20, we see Abram giving tithes to Melchizedek. In Genesis 28:19-22, we see Jacob vowing to give a tenth unto the Lord. When the law was given the tithe was definitely incorporated in it. “And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's. It is holy to the Lord” (Lev. 27:30)

From *Money Talks* by O.S. Hawkins

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Focused On Jesus
Connection Group Leader's Training
Sunday, August 16th @ 5:30 PM, Zoom

WEDNESDAYS @ 6:30PM ZOOM

**FamilyFaith
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AUG 5-19



Kids' Ministry

We Seek God's

Forgiveness

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Awana Leadership Conference

Virtual - August 15

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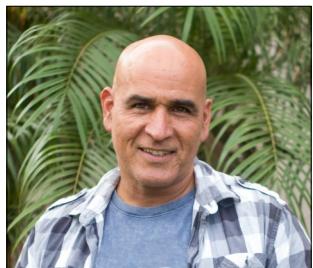
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