

MARCH 17, 2024

A Deceiver

Scripture

- 18 When he came to his father, he said, “My father.” And he answered, “Here I am. Who are you, my son?”
- 19 Jacob replied to his father, “I am Esau, your firstborn. I have done as you told me. Please sit up and eat some of my game so that you may bless me.”
- 20 But Isaac said to his son, “How did you ever find it so quickly, my son?” He replied, “Because the Lord your God made it happen for me.”
- 21 Then Isaac said to Jacob, “Please come closer so I can touch you, my son. Are you really my son Esau or not?”
- 22 So Jacob came closer to his father Isaac. When he touched him, he said, “The voice is the voice of Jacob, but the hands are the hands of Esau.”
- 23 He did not recognize him, because his hands were hairy like those of his brother Esau; so he blessed him.
- 24 Again he asked, “Are you really my son Esau?” And he replied, “I am.”
- 25 Then he said, “Bring it closer to me, and let me eat some of my son’s game so that I can bless you.” Jacob brought it closer to him, and he ate; he brought him wine, and he drank.
- 26 Then his father Isaac said to him, “Please come closer and kiss me, my son.”
- 27 So he came closer and kissed him. When Isaac smelled his clothes, he blessed him and said: Ah, the smell of my son is like the smell of a field that the Lord has blessed.
- 28 May God give to you—from the dew of the sky and from the richness of the land—an abundance of grain and new wine.
- 29 May peoples serve you and nations bow in homage to you. Be master over your relatives; may your mother’s sons bow in homage to you. Those who curse you will be cursed, and those who bless you will be blessed.
- 30 As soon as Isaac had finished blessing Jacob and Jacob had left the presence of his father Isaac, his brother Esau arrived from his hunting.

Genesis 27:18-30 CSB



Additional Resources

*Explore the Bible: Genesis, Spring 2024; Biblegateway.com; preceptaustin.org;
Biblehub.com/commentaries; The New American Commentary, Genesis, Kenneth A. Matthews*

Connect Church Notes

Date

Speaker

Key Verses

Key Points

Questions/Reflections



God's Word - Devoted to Him

BE TRUTHFUL

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Exodus 20:16

A Christian should never tell any type of lie. The most familiar kind of lie is saying something that isn't true. But there are other kinds, such as exaggeration. I once heard the story of a certain Christian man who shared a powerful testimony, but one day he stopped reciting it. When asked why, he shared that he had embellished it so much that he had forgotten what was true and what he'd made up.

Cheating in school, in business, at work, and on your taxes is a form of lying. So is the betrayal of a confidence, flattery, making excuses, and remaining silent when the truth should be spoken. There's no place for lying in the Christian life. We are to tell the truth.

From: *Truth For Today*

*Those who deceive others, deceive themselves,
as they will find at last, to their cost.*

Matthew Henry

Rejoice!
Christ Is Risen!
Connect Church

Easter Services
9:00 AM & 10:30 AM



DAILY BIBLE STUDY

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

A Stairway

Main Passage for March 24 – Genesis 28:10-22 CSB

Monday - Genesis 28:10-11

Wednesday - Genesis 28:13-15

Friday - Genesis 28:18-19

Tuesday – Genesis 28:12

Thursday - Genesis 28:16-17

Saturday - Genesis 28:20-22

Memory Verse: Genesis 28:14

Your offspring will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out toward the west, the east, the north, and the south. All the peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring.

Mission Statement

Glorifying God by connecting people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ





CONNECT CHURCH

Attendance & Offering

On Campus & Online	846
Offering	\$ 41,996.63

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Honor the LORD with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase; so your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine (vv. 9-10).

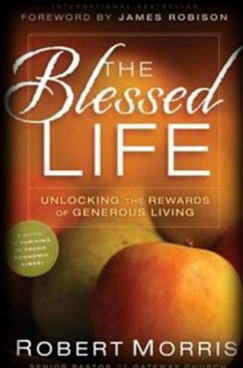
In Malachi 3, God makes it clear that if we keep the tithe to ourselves, we are robbing God. What a sobering thing it is to consider that one can steal from God and, therefore, be under a curse.

Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, "In what way have we robbed You?" In tithes and offerings. You are cursed with a curse, for you have robbed Me, even this whole nation (Mal. 3:8-9).

It is amazing to me how many people try to overlook this Scripture or explain it away. Some say, "Well, that's in the Old Testament." But in the very same chapter of Malachi, God says, "For I am the LORD, I do not change" (v.6).

We have already seen that the Lord clearly says that the firstborn belongs to Him (see Exod. 13:2) and the firstfruits are His (see Exod. 23:19). We also just heard Him say that the tithe belongs to Him (see Mal. 3:8-9).

Here is my question to those who contend that the principle of the tithe is no longer active: *If God declares, "I do not change" (Mal. 3:6), then when did those things supposedly change? When did God change?*



To be continued...
From *The Blessed Life*



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Connect Church *Prayer Request*



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Students - 9:00 AM - Tristan Nelson: tristan@cc.today

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Adults - 10:30 AM - Clayton Hutcheson: claybmw@bellsouth.net

Adults - 6:30 PM - David Kent: d.kent.0962@gmail.com

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Men - 7:00 PM - Edgar Gregory: egregoryac@gmail.com

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Men - 7:00 PM - Chip Hausman: jwmhausman@gmail.com

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THURSDAY

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Adults - 7:00 PM - Leslie Dakers: ladakes@hotmail.com

SATURDAY

Adults - 6:00 PM - Neil Picart: neilpicart@gmail.com



Ministry Leader Training

March 17th
4:45 PM

Worship Center



Team Training

A light meal will be provided.

Please register at cc.today to help with correct food order.

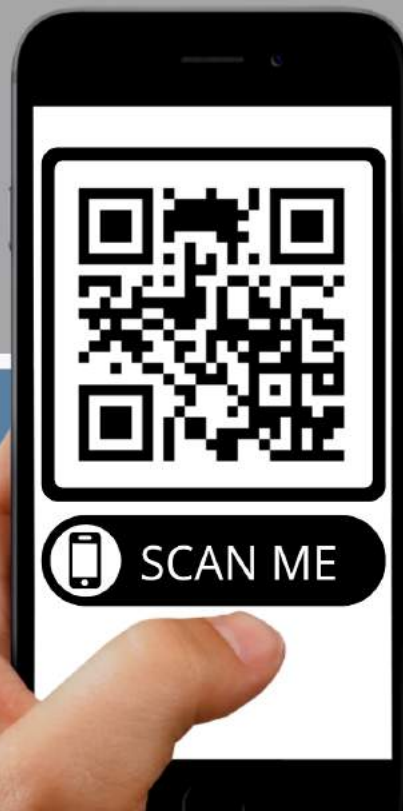
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*Join Us for
Refreshments on
the Patio Today!*



*Stay and Visit
Following
the Service!*

Ministry Leader Training
March 17th

CT - Service Project
March 18th

Awana - 'Ketchup & Ice Cream'
March 20th

Senior Adult - Fellowship
March 22nd

Palm Sunday
March 24th

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TEEN SPRING BREAK SERVICE PROJECT

March 18th
9 AM to 12 PM

Royal Palm Campus
Lunch Provided



Registration: cc.today
For more info. – tristan.nelson@cc.today



Time to 'Catch-Up' on Memory Verses

Time to Enjoy Ice Cream Too!

March 20th - 6:30 PM





CONNECT CHURCH



Senior Adult Fellowship

Fun / Laughter / Games / Food

March 22nd / 6:30 PM / Activity Center

Bring a salad, dessert, or covered dish to share.

\$2.00 per person



The Lord's Supper

*Preparing Our Hearts
Remembering His Sacrifice*

March 24th

CONNECT CHURCH



WE'VE BEEN TOLD....

THERE'S A LOT HAPPENING
AT CONNECT CHURCH!

ARE YOU WONDERING....

HOW DO I FIT IN
AND FOLLOW JESUS AT CC?

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FOR A CHURCH ORIENTATION
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