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Empty Religion

Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.
James 1:26-27

The word religion is only used 5 times in the New Testament, two of which occur in this passage from James.

The first example above talks about the inconsistency of people who SAY they are religious but do not PRACTICE their religion or apply it to the way they live their lives. Today, many people do the same thing. When they think of religion, it is not what they do in their lives, but it is something that they believe but do not translate into action.

The definition of religion is: “a set of beliefs concerning the cause, nature, and purpose of the universe, . usually involving devotional and ritual observances, and often containing a moral code governing the [conduct](#) of human affairs” (Dictionary.com). First, religion is a set of beliefs about the universe that we live in. Christians believe that God created the universe and that He is a participant in the things that happen in the world. Genesis tells us that God created the world and everything in it.

He designed our bodies and the world that we live in.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:1. God loved us and GAVE Jesus as THE sacrifice for sin. He took the action needed for our salvation.

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16. Not only has God acted in the past for our salvation, but He currently is working in Christian’s lives.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.
Romans 8:28.

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Prayer Requests

Clyde & Penny Ball Please continue to keep Clyde and Penny in your prayers.

Linda Holbrook Bender Please pray for her comfort, that she will have good days.

Esther Crisp Please keep her in your prayers.

Gregg Ferrell Please continue praying for him to regain his health and for his family during this time.

Ann Gampp Please keep her in your prayers for a successful surgery this week.

Marleigh Gilbert (Cousin to Jon & Don) She has made so much progress. Please keep her in your prayers.

Sharon Hardin Please be praying for her health to improve as she suffers with several health issues.

Teresa Hayward Please keep Teresa, Jeff and their family in your prayers as she continues treatment.

Peggy Hollback Please continue praying she will be blessed with better health

Chris Jennings (Jack & Jane's Son) Please continue praying for him and his family.

Jim McGraw Please be praying for his healing as he battles lung cancer.

Esther Crisp
Sarah Gilliland
Helen Hayward

The Courtyard Rm. #106
Hillview Room L306
Homebound

Please pray for our Country
And our World

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Copas and Sullivan Families at the passing of little Madison Copas. She will always be remembered as a wonderful, happy child, loved so much by all that knew her.

May God bless each of you with comfort through the days ahead.



Vacation Bible School - June 17- 21

Church Camp Week - July 7-12

Children's Day Camp - July 7-11

Looking Ahead:

Sunshine Free Sale - July 27

Red Cross Blood Drive- At Sunshine, Aug.15

Sunday Morning Live Streaming Links:

<https://sunshinecofc.church/sermon-media>

<https://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

Welcome To All of Our Guests

Thank you for coming. Please come back!

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion bread available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the **Welcome Center**. You're welcome to pick it up before the services on your way into the auditorium.

We Are So Glad You Are Here!

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KID'S Club

Kids Pre-K - 6th Grade

Wednesday Evening Bible Class.

It includes a short & fun video reviewing the lesson taught on Sunday

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Come Join Us!

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

7:00 PM

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The JUNE Item Is

Soup

For Mid Western Children's Home

Thank You!

SUNSHINE CHURCH of CHRIST We Invite You To Join Us

Sunday Morning 10:00 A.M.
Sunday Eve. Class 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 P.M.

You may also call 855-565-7670
to hear the lessons by phone.

*** COMING SOON! ***

***Vacation Bible School - June 17-21**
'SCUBA Diving into friendship with God'

Please be praying for the message of Jesus to
be shared this week.

HELP NEEDED! We are looking for 5 or 6 more
guides and a group to do the activities / games.
Brittany has some ideas for games that go
along with the theme, but traditional games are
good also. If you can help with VBS
specifically in these areas we would love to
have you.

Please contact Brittany soon. 740-981-7438

***Also the ;**

1)Fruit / Cookie Sheet is at the Welcome
Center.

2)T- Shirt List is also there. Please sign up if
you want to purchase one for VBS week.

*** Sunshine's Week for Church Camp**
July 7th – 12th

To register: www.howellsmill.org
If you have questions or need help,
please contact Shaun or Jamie.

*** Sunshine Day Camp 2024**

July 8-11 @ 10:00-1:00, Children Ages 3-7
We will have songs, crafts, games and Bible
lessons. The kids have lots of fun!

The Day Camp '24 could use the following
items throughout the week: Applesauce cups,
Pudding cups, fruit cups, individual snacks
such as chips, fruit snacks etc. A large bag
tortilla chips (gluten free), cheese puffs (gluten
free). There is a sign up sheet at the Welcome
Center if you can help with this. Thank You!

*We extend our deepest sympathy to the Jacobs
Family at the passing of their mother Winnie.
She was a special lady that will be greatly
missed by family and friends.
We pray for God's comfort for you all.*

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**CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!**  
**Class of 2024**  
**COLLEGE**

Audrey Sissel Nursing

**HIGH SCHOOL**

Carson Cronin

Colin Rice

Elaina Sissel

(I apologize for missing these graduates earlier)

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*** The Sunshine Free Sale**
is scheduled for Saturday, July 27th.
Please keep this event in mind as you
are doing Spring cleaning or closet
cleanout.

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**\* Red Cross Blood Drive**  
**At Sunshine Church of Christ**  
**August 15, 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM**  
**Please put this on your calendar.**

## Family Bible Time

**ADULT CLASSES MONTH OF JUNE**

**\*Sunday Evening Auditorium**  
Jamie Riley

**\*Wednesday Evening Auditorium**  
Dave Deacon

**\*Wednesday Evening Ladies Class**  
June Book  
Embracing Grace In Your Prayer Life  
Ephesians 6:10-20, Ezekiel 22, Psalm 106:19-23

**\*Men's Class - James Group- Rm. #8**

# Those Who Serve



**Sunday** Worship - 10:00 am  
Bible Study - 6:00 pm

**Wednesday** Bible Study - 7:00 pm

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| <b>Sunday Morning</b>     | <b>06/02/2024</b> | <b>06/09/2024</b> | <b>06/16/2024</b> |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Worship Leader            | Shaun McCray      | Zach Coriell      | Zach Coriell      |
| Scripture Reading         | Mark Risner       | Eric Miller       | Bill Deacon       |
| Prayer                    | Price Gammon      | Troy Gahm         | Dale Kuhn         |
| Communion                 | Jeff Vannatta     | Dave Deacon       | Troy Gahm         |
| Message                   | Jamie Riley       | Jamie Riley       | Jamie Riley       |
| Announcements /<br>Prayer | Wayne Gampp       | Rich Book         | Shaun McCray      |
| <b>Sunday Evening</b>     | <b>06/02/2024</b> | <b>06/09/2024</b> | <b>06/16/2024</b> |
| Worship Leader            | Mike Lemon        | Jacob Bowe        | Zach Coriell      |
| Communion                 | Josh Coriell      | Jacob Book        | Mike Gampp        |

The second part of the definition talks about devotional observances and moral codes. God has given us a detailed set of instructions and values to live by. From the time of the Ten Commandments, God has asked His people to do things the way He desires. We as human beings have always fallen far short of those expectations. Sometimes we unintentionally miss the mark. Sometimes we fail because we do not even try. The first part of the verse in James points out the inconsistency between what the religion of God requires and what the people were doing. James says that they were deceiving themselves. When we believe that we are “religious”, but we fail to strive to meet what God asks, we are deceiving ourselves.

The second half of the verse from James says that pure and faultless religion involves serving people. James does not mean to say that taking care of widows and orphans is the entire scope of religion; he is saying that pure and faultless religion MATCHES what God asks of us.

When we say we are Christians, we are saying that we accept Christ as our savior, that we have been baptized into Him, and that we strive to the very best of our ability to follow what God asks of us. God expects us to try to make our lives consistent with who we say we are.

Many people today wear religion like a name badge on their shirt. When it is inconvenient, they just take the badge off and do what they want, not what God wants. God is not pleased when we do not attempt to make our lives consistent with what He says. Do you wear your “religion” as a badge that you can take off from time to time, or are you striving to make your life consistent with the will of God?

Are you putting your “religion” into practice and applying it to your life?

David Deacon

Have a wonderful day!