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The Truth Hurts Sometimes

You're losing your hair. (Ouch!)
You're a little overweight. (Double ouch!)
You are in sin. (OOOWWW!)

We've heard it said, "The truth hurts." Who hasn't been stung when the truth is critical to us personally or contradicts us in some way? The truth can tend to expose our deficiencies and pierce our souls. Sometimes, our reaction to constructive criticism is hurt feelings, which might morph into resistance to the critique, even though we know that if we changed, it would be better for us. But, stubborn people that we can be, we dig in and refuse. Somebody once said, "The truth will set you free, but first, it will make you mad."

Yes, sometimes the truth hurts.

We can learn from some ancient priests and elders how they reacted to the truth when Jesus flatly brought them to a decision (Matthew 21:23-27). When they challenged Jesus' authority, He simply asked them about John's (the Baptist) baptism. Was it from God and thereby approved by Him, or was it simply a man-made ritual? They were between the proverbial rock and a hard place.

They couldn't say John's baptism was from God because that would authenticate Jesus and His work since John endorsed Jesus. To agree that John's baptism was from God would be to recognize the authority of Jesus. They couldn't repudiate John because everyone else thought John was certainly a God-approved prophet. So they played dumb.

Do we do as these ancient religious leaders did? When we read or hear God's word, and it flatly contradicts our beliefs, our inclinations, or our actions, do we just decide not to deal with it at all?

Maybe we look for excuses ("I couldn't help it!"), or even rationalizations ("Look at him over there! He does the same thing!"). But all the excuse-making and rationalizing doesn't change the truth. As Winston Churchill once said, "The truth is incontrovertible. Malice may attack it, ignorance may deride it, but in the end, there it is." Jesus said we'll be judged by truth, specifically the truth of His word (John 12:48).

While the truth can hurt when it points out our flaws, ignoring it hurts worse. Yes, sometimes the truth hurts, but it always helps.

"He who rejects me and does not receive my word has one who judges him.

The words I spoke will judge him on the last day" (John 12:48).

Prayer Requests

Penny Ball Please continue prayers for her.

Mike Bouts (Rose Havens Son in Law) Please keep him and Jayne in your prayers for healing as he battles bladder cancer.

Cletus Davis Please keep him in your prayers for healing.

Juanita Gammon Please keep her in your prayers.

Anna Gampp Please continue praying for her.

Wayne Gampp Please keep him in your prayers for healing as he recuperates at home.

PJ Glauder Please keep him in your prayers for God to give healing.

Teresa Hayward Prayers for continued healing.

Paul Harris Please be praying for a successful treatment for his health problems.

Peggy Hollback Please pray her health will continue to improve.

Terese Jones Praise God! Her scans are clear!

Nola Kelley Please keep her in your prayers.

Kensley McCray Please keep her in your prayers for ease of pain and healing from surgery.

To send a card:

Kensley McCray

G3SW—Rm.6

3333 Burnet Ave

Cincinnati, Ohio 45229

Esther Crisp **The Courtyard Rm. #138**

Sarah Gilliland **Hillview Room L306**

Helen Hayward **Homebound**

Peggy Hollback **At her daughters home**

Nola Kelley **The Courtyard Rm. #109**

**Please pray for our Country
And our World for peace.**



Barry Boverie - Speaking Today
Kindness Week- February 10-14
Winterfest - February 14-16

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 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 February Item Is ***
Deodorant
For Mid Western Children's Home
Thank You!

***Gratitude turns what we
have into enough.
Thank God for all the
small blessings of today.***

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.

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*\* Welcome Barry Boverie the Director of  
Mid- Western Children's Home with us as  
our guest speaker today.*  
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**\*Thank you to Sharon Hallam for  
hosting the Girls Lock In last weekend!**  
**Everyone had a super time!**  
**We appreciate all the time you put into  
this event for the girls.**  
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**\*Our children in the 2nd-6th grade  
class are collecting items for blessing  
bags this winter for those in need.**  
**We would appreciate your helping us by  
bringing in some of the items.**  
**Please help us show some love from  
Sunshine.**  
**Items are listed at the Welcome Center.**  
**Thank You!**  
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**\*Minford Schools holds a Kindness  
Week every year to teach the kids about  
kindness. This year it is Feb.10-14.**  
**Local churches and businesses do kind  
acts for staff and students all week. We  
would appreciate anyone that would like  
to bake 2 dozen cookies for staff on  
Thursday, Feb.13. If you would like to  
help with this kindness, there is a sign-  
up sheet at the Welcome Center.**  
**Thank You!**

**\*Men Come Enjoy the Fellowship!**  
**February 7, 5:30 pm-8:30 pm**  
**Howells Mill Wild Game Dinner**  
**Please sign up at the Welcome Center.**  
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*** Winterfest February 14 -16**
In Gatlinburg, Tennessee
Theme: Jesus Is
Register now:
Text "Winterfest" to 740-935-9701
Include your name and email address
Contact Information:
Jamie Riley 740-935-7812
Tim Gampp 606-356-3345
Shaun McCray 740-935-9701
**The information flyers are at the
Welcome Center.**
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*** Tim Yankey from Howell's Mill
Church Camp will be with us on
April 6 to give an update about the
camp.**
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Looking Ahead:
Mark your calendar
Save the date
Vacation Bible School
June 16-20
You Won't Want To Miss It!
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**Family Bible Time**

**ADULT CLASSES MONTH OF February**

**\*Sunday Evening Auditorium**  
**Jeff Vannatta**

**\*Wednesday Evening Auditorium**  
**Logan Boston**

**\*Wednesday Evening Ladies Class**  
**June Book**  
**Embracing Grace In Your Prayer Life**  
**Genesis 42:1-24, 45; 50:15-21, 1 Peter 3:8-4:11**  
**Colossians 3:1-17**

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

# Those Who Serve

| <b>Sunday Morning</b>  | <b>02/02/2025</b> | <b>02/09/2025</b> | <b>02/16/2025</b> |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Worship Leader         | Shaun McCray      | Jared McCray      | Zach Coriell      |
| Scripture Reading      | Mike Gampp        | Ethan Beekman     | Justin Spengler   |
| Prayer                 | Gary Glispie      | Dale Kuhn         | Bill Deacon       |
| Communion              | Derek Miller      | Price Gammon      | Troy Gahm         |
| Message                | Barry Boverie     | Jamie Riley       | Guest Speaker     |
| Announcements / Prayer | Shaun McCray      | Shaun McCray      | Rich Book         |
| <b>Sunday Evening</b>  | <b>02/02/2025</b> | <b>02/09/2025</b> | <b>02/16/2025</b> |
| Worship Leader         | Zach Coriell      | Dave Deacon       | Jared McCray      |
| Communion              | Rich Book         | Jon Coriell       | Mike Lemon        |



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

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

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“And if you call on the Father, who without respect of persons judges according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning *here* in fear: Forasmuch as you know that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. 1 Peter 1:17

In [Exodus 12](#), God instituted the ritual of the Passover lamb. There was judgment on the land because of sin, but God told His people to take a spotless lamb, without blemish, and kill it. The blood was to be shed at each household, and they were to put the blood on the doorpost of each house—not on the inside, but on the outside. They were to be openly, publicly unashamed of the blood of the lamb. What had they done? They had made the sign of the cross.

Even there, so long ago, God pictured the sacrifice of His Son. And God said, “When I see the blood, I will pass over you” ([Exodus 12:13](#)). And that is where we get the name, Passover. God will pass over you when the blood is applied. If you put the blood beneath your feet and pass over the blood, God will not pass over you. But when you put yourself under the blood, the judgment of Almighty God will pass over you. And this Passover lamb was a picture of the ultimate Lamb of God, the Lord Jesus Christ

A. Rogers

Have a wonderful day!