

A Rock-Solid Life

Matthew 7:24-27, 28-29

²⁴ “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”

An **oversimplified** (and inaccurate) view of this passage:

- Life is _____ for everybody.
- Therefore, be a “_____”.
- Then, no matter how bad things get, you still get to go to _____ one day.

Hear *and* Doing ... The Sine Qua Non* of Authentic Christianity (“*Without which, not*”)

Remember the “*I never knew you*” crowd of vs. 21-23? What were they guilty of?

Two inherent dangers of hearing without doing: 1 John 1:6; James 1:22-25, Luke 6:46,49

- _____
... which inevitably leads to ...
- _____

The essential challenge of the Sermon on the Mount is not difficult:

Is Jesus – in every real, measurable, observable *and* unobservable way – _____?

The metaphor of the two houses explained:

A “house” = _____

Flooding rains and violent winds = _____

The “rock” = _____

Two options: “_____” or “_____”

Two outcomes: _____ or _____

Some **conclusions**:

Building “on the rock” means _____ than “becoming a Christian”.

It necessarily includes ...

A solid foundation doesn’t _____ the “big storms” of life. It does, however, _____ you for them and enable you to _____ them.

When _____ hits, the lies of a _____ will not hold up. (Not *now* – and not in *eternity*)

The big question: Am I building a life that will stand?

Epilogue: **The Authority of Jesus**

²⁸ *And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, ²⁹ for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.*

Jesus’ words are _____ to be obeyed, not _____ to be considered.

ALL Jesus’ commands are _____ and _____. To obey them is to choose _____.

(Likewise, disregarding them is _____ and _____ ... To deny God is to push back against _____.)

Sunday, September 8

10am Worship

Psalm 23 (Surely Goodness, Surely Mercy).....Choir

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Adoration..... Tommy Perry
Psalm 18:25-32

²⁵ *With the merciful you show yourself merciful; with the blameless man you show yourself blameless;* ²⁶ *with the purified you show yourself pure; and with the crooked you make yourself seem tortuous.* ²⁷ *For you save a humble people, but the haughty eyes you bring down.* ²⁸ *For it is you who light my lamp; the Lord my God lightens my darkness.* ²⁹ *For by you I can run against a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall.* ³⁰ *This God—his way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.* ³¹ *For who is God, but the Lord? And who is a rock, except our God?—* ³² *the God who equipped me with strength and made my way blameless.*

Rock of Ages

Run And Run (Christ Is All My Righteousness)

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Supplication.....Reagan Farris
Psalm 31:1-5

³¹ *In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me!* ² *Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily! Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me!* ³ *For you are my rock and my fortress; and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;* ⁴ *you take me out of the net they have hidden for me, for you are my refuge.* ⁵ *Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.*

Offering

My Soul Will Wait (Psalm 62)

MessagePaul Thompson
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O Lord My Rock And My Redeemer

Benediction.....Daniel Gunter
2 Corinthians 5:20

²⁰ *Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.*

5pm Worship

Scripture Reading & Prayer Charles Uptain

The New Hampshire Confession of Faith, Part 5..... Charles Uptain

Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)

Blessed Assurance

Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

India Mission Panel..... Eric Donop

Corporate Prayer..... Eric Donop

MessagePaul Thompson
Fellowship With God: We Are Made for Fellowship

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

Elder Nominations

Nominations for men to become elders are now being accepted. Nomination forms are available on the Next Steps table in the Fellowship Center and in the Sanctuary foyer. Completed forms can be dropped in the collection boxes, or email charles@calvarydothan.com and include the information requested on the form.

Senior Adult Sing

Tuesday, September 17 | Leave Calvary @ 9am

Frank Jones is the host and musical guest. He will lead in a time of "singing the old songs." After the program at Rehobeth Baptist Church, the group will go out to lunch.

Post-Service Fellowship

Sunday, September 29

Join us for hamburgers and hot dogs and a time of fellowship following our evening service.

Senior Adult Mid-month & Lunch

Thursday, September 19 | 11am | Parlor

Lunch will be served immediately following the service.

DivorceCare for Women

Every Wednesday | 6pm | Room G-315

Led by Staci Spears

This class is designed to guide women on the path of recovery after separation or divorce. To register, contact Angie at angie@calvarydothan.com or call 792-5159.

Fall Open Class Schedule

Sundays | September 8-November 24 | 8:30am

***Meaningful Membership* | Parlor**

(September 8, 15, 22)

Teachers: Don Mills, Dan Tankersley, & Charles Uptain

***Systematic Theology 1* | G-315**

Teachers: Don Mills & Paul Thompson

***How to Study the Bible / Fear of Man* | G-314**

Teachers: Charles Uptain & Dan Tankersley

Wednesdays | September 4-November 20 | 6pm

***Old Testament 1* | R-308**

Teacher: Tommy Perry & Josh Robertson

***Women's Bible Study: Esther* | R-300/302**

Teachers: Jamie Perry, Becky Kite, & Krisan Smith

Our Blessed Hope: A Study of Biblical

***Eschatology* | Moved to Parlor**

Teachers: Paul Thompson & a few special guests

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

My Decision Today:

I trusted Jesus as Savior.

I'd like to join Calvary Baptist Church.

I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.

Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Pastors & Prayer Team Only

Churchwide

Connect Card

September 8, 2024

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate, or in the boxes by the exits.

- Please update my information
- Please contact me about membership

I am a:

- First Time Guest
- Attender
- Member

Name

Address

City

State/Zip

- Male
- Female

- Married
- Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Spouse

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Children:

Name / Date of Birth

Name / Date of Birth

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Please complete the additional information on the back of this tab, if applicable.

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September Missions Spotlight

Wiregrass Hope Group (Local Mission Partner)

The mission of Wiregrass Hope Group is to share the hope of Christ, promote human life, and care for people through pregnancy resources, biblical counseling, and relationship education. Their vision is to build a healthy community where individuals and families value life and thrive because of the love and grace of Christ. If you would like to know more about the ministry work of Wiregrass Hope Group, visit [facebook.com/wiregrasshopegroup](https://www.facebook.com/wiregrasshopegroup) or [wiregrasshope.com](https://www.wiregrasshope.com). Prayer needs for Wiregrass Hope Group can be found on prayer cards at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

CV Vadavana (Global Mission Partner)

Sathyam Ministries exists to proclaim and promote the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the cooperation of believers in India and abroad. They strive to uphold the dignity and self-worth of the down-trodden in society irrespective of their religion, caste, creed, race, or gender. If you would like to know how you can pray for the ministry work of the Vadavanas, pick up a prayer card at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer. To learn more about the ministry efforts of Sathyam Ministries, visit [facebook.com/sathyam.india](https://www.facebook.com/sathyam.india) or [sathyam.org](https://www.sathyam.org).

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THE PEOPLE CAME...

September 1

Life Group: n/a
10:00 Worship: 413
5:00 Worship: n/a
Hispanic Church: 130
Neighborhood Church (NY): 25

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given September 1: \$39,010.25
Given Y-T-D Surplus (Deficit):
(\$93,027.87) as of 07/31/24

NAVIGATORS BIBLE READING PLAN

September 8-14

- Lk 22:14-23, Heb 4:12-16, Prov 21:17-31, Is 17-20
- Lk 22:24-30, Heb 5, Prov 22:1-16, Is 21-23
- Lk 22:31-38, Heb 6:1-12, Prov 22:17-29, Is 24-26
- Lk 22:39-46, Heb 6:13-20, Prov 23:1-18, Is 27-28
- Lk 22:47-53, Heb 7:1-10, Prov 23:19-35, Is 29-30
- Lk 22:54-62, Heb 7:11-28, Prov 24:1-22, Is 31-33

Sunday Schedule

- 8:30am Life Groups & Open Classes
- 10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center
Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5,
Chapel (except 1st Sunday)
- 11:00am Worship Broadcast on JoyFM
94.3/96.1 with a 1 wk delay.
- 5:00pm Family Worship, Sanctuary
Childcare for Babies-K3

I'm New Here



We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church.

To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code or you can fill out the Connect Card in this bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

Also, be sure to stop by our Next Steps table in the foyer after the service for a gift from us!

How to Become a Christian

Want more information about how to become a Christian? Go to [calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/](https://www.calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/).

If you would like to view a pdf of today's AM sermon notes, go to [calvarydothan.com/messages](https://www.calvarydothan.com/messages).

Ministry Staff

Paul Thompson..... Senior Pastor
Charles Uptain..... Executive Pastor
Dan Tankersley..... Discipleship Pastor
Patrick Lima..... Worship
Tommy Perry..... Missions

STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, September 8:

Reagan Farris | 504-319-6986

Saturday, September 14:

Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791

Sunday, September 15:

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SERMON SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 15

10am

The Authority of the King

Matthew 7:28-29

Message by Paul Thompson

5pm

Fellowship With God 2

Message by Paul Thompson

Wednesday Schedule

- 6:00pm Open Classes, D-Groups, Life Groups
Birth-K5, Preschool Bldg
Grades 1-5, Chapel
Grades 6-12, Student Room

⁴⁶ "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?"

– Luke 6:46



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BAPTIST CHURCH