

James: A Faith You Can See

It Won't Be Long

James 5:7-12

Jesus is coming soon in Glory and in Judgment.

Be relentless in your faith and its compelling hope, vv. 7-8.

Pray for the latter rains of God moving among people for salvation, v. 7.

Set all your desires (heart) in life in Jesus and His coming, v. 8.

Be positive and helpful so that you are an encouragement to others upholding unity in the church family, v. 9.

Remember the “grumbling” Moses generation lived in mistrust of God and leaders, and never made it to the Promised Land, v. 9.

Remember Jesus is not only coming with reward, He is coming with judgment.

Be welcoming of the cross of Jesus as you bear it in trials in this life, vv. 10-11.

Remember the prophets of God led lives of great hardship and rejection, v. 10.

Remember the promise made to those who persevere through trials in this life, v. 11.

Remember God is compassionate and merciful and that, in the end, He is the reward, v. 11.

Be faithful to your promises to God and others, v. 12.

A promise given is one way in which the future is assured.

Faithfulness to your word is of the highest value to God.

Next Weekend's Scripture Emphasis

James 5:13-18



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We are a caring community of people who believe the Bible is the Word of God and choose to live by its truth.

**Our mission is to know Jesus intimately
and to share His love and truth passionately.**

August 18-19, 2018

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Following each worship service, members of the prayer team will be available in front of the platform to pray with you and minister to your spiritual needs.

Receivers for the hearing impaired are available from our ushers.

JOIN US NEXT WEEKEND!

SATURDAY: 5pm - Worship Center

SUNDAY: 8 & 9:30am - Worship Center (Choir)

9:30am - 290s

11:15am - Worship Center & 290s

LANGUAGE OPTIONS:

RHCC en Español
Saturday, 5pm, 290s

Japanese Service
Sunday, 11:15am
North Campus Chapel



Join Rooted and Get Connected with others at RHCC!

Over the course of 10 weeks, you will meet with a group of people to talk about what God has been revealing to you as you go through readings, journal entries, and prayer. Experience life in Him that is marked by community, authenticity and generosity. Our Fall session begins September 11. Pick up a brochure in the seat backs or Welcome Center.

For more information about what is going on at RHCC this month, pick up a copy of *What's Happening*.

Meet the Christensens & Dedricks

Come to Carlson Hall on Sunday, August 26 at 1 pm to meet Mike & Stacey Christensen, Christian & Marcie Dedrick, and their families, and hear about their work in Central Asia. A light lunch will be served.

Marriage Retreat

Sign up today for our marriage retreat at the luxurious La Quinta Resort & Club October 12-14. Go to rhcc.events to register and get more information.

Loss of a Spouse Seminar

Have you experienced the loss of a spouse? Come to this valuable seminar, sponsored by GriefShare, on Sunday, August 26 at 9:30 am. Register with Donna Artino at dartino@rhcc.net or 310.521.2508.

Congratulations!

Ed and Vicki Montour are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this weekend. *"We are thankful for our many blessings throughout the years."*

We're here for you! The pastoral staff at RHCC is available to help you with your marriage, finances, parenting, emotional issues, or if you are in need of prayer. We can also provide recommendations for Christian counseling services in the South Bay. Contact Pastor Nate Aanderud at 310.521.2565 or naanderud@rhcc.net.

Jobs Available

- Video/Media Coordinator (F/T)
- Audio Coordinator (F/T)
- Childcare Worker (P/T)

Go to RollingHillsCovenant.com/jobs for info.

Prayer Ministry

Homegoing: Pray for Laura Savitz and family on the homegoing of her mother, Julia Tafel.

Prayer Chain: Submit prayer requests to Vicki Hardin at Chaplain_Vicki@aol.com or 310.612.7832, by yellow card or at RollingHillsCovenant.com/prayer.

Need a hospital or home visit? Call the Ministers of Congregational Care at 323.825.9694.

Weekly Giving Report (as of August 5)

Giving goal (6/1/18-5/31/19):	\$7,930,000
Budget Needs YTD:	\$1,304,468
Received YTD:	\$1,497,004
Over/Under YTD:	\$192,536
Needed last week:	\$148,516
Received last week:	\$133,304

Text any amount to 310.307.3661 to give.

This is our last weekend before the rush of Fall comes. It used to be that Fall waited till after Labor Day, but now with schools starting earlier, Fall, like so much of life, has been moved up. LA Unified started classes this past week, Peninsula this coming week and Torrance schools the week after. Are you ready for Fall? As the Book of James has been speaking to us this summer it has had a lot to say about how we are living our everyday lives. His point has been that real faith in Christ always results in change in actions in life. Real faith is a doer of the Word, not just a hearer. He has talked about what faith looks like in relationships with others. He has talked about time and how we use it. He has talked about money and how we use it.

This is a good time to determine how your faith will be lived out this Fall. We think there are some common elements to that for each of us. We think we need to make it a priority to join together at a weekly church worship service. There is a presence and work of God in worship services that doesn't happen in other places in our lives. Hebrews 10:25 reminds us not to neglect our meeting together. Everyone is away occasionally but we want to make sure joining in a worship service is our weekly practice.

We also believe, at RHCC, you need your own daily time with the Lord in Word and prayer, and that you need time in a small group. For us our small group experience starts with Rooted. Rooted is a 10-week journey with a small group in which we become rooted in a relationship with Christ. This is our first step in committing to real discipleship. These groups allow us to discuss the Word of God in ways that let us go deeper in our spiritual life and letting Jesus have a wider influence in our lives. It is also a place we can pray for one another, and encourage one another.

We believe that you have been uniquely gifted by the Holy Spirit for ministry in and through the church. The Holy Spirit has been given to flow through our lives. You can't walk with the Spirit

and keep Him bottled up in your life. Service is a powerful way you can see Him move through you. There are multiple ways to serve this Fall. Some in service in parking, greeting, or ushering. In music, you can join our choir, and Tavia and Michael are always looking for new singers and musicians for the praise bands. Childrens is looking for volunteers in weekend classes. Students is looking for those who can serve the students in leading small groups or just helping. Prayer ministries are looking for people who can pray after services, or minister to people during the week through prayer. You can use the yellow card to let us know what you would like to know about serving in any given area.

We believe that we are each part of a mission that Jesus has given us to take the Gospel to our neighborhoods and to the ends of the earth. The Holy Spirit has been given to us to enable to witness of Jesus in power, Acts 1:8. This will be a special focus for us in our weekend preaching series. People are **Perishable**. People are heading to eternity and most people, if life were to stop now, into eternal judgment. Jesus has called us each to be a witness and this Fall we will discover much within the Word of God to encourage us and to move in that direction.

Let's seize this Fall together. Let's seek and anticipate Jesus moving in and through us in ways we never imagined were possible. Let us seize the Fall rather than letting it seize us. There is a prayer of a Christian artist named Matthew West who has written a song called "The Motions". It is his prayer and commitment that he doesn't just want to go through the motions as a Christian. Here is how he puts it in the chorus, may it move in your heart as well. *"I don't want to go through the motions, I don't want to go one more day, without Your all consuming passion inside of me. I don't wanna spend my whole life asking, 'What if I had given everything, instead of going through the motions?'"*

~ Senior Pastor Byron MacDonald