

## **The Best Way To Learn**

*Dr. Paul Chappell*

I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding; And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down. Then I saw, and considered it well: I looked upon it, and received instruction. Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth; and thy want as an armed man.

**Proverbs 24:30-34**

Solomon was given great wisdom by God because that is what he requested when God offered to give him whatever he wanted. People quickly recognized that the young king was gifted at discerning attempts at deception and judging fairly and rightly the cases brought before him. God would eventually use Solomon to, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, pen a book of the Bible that would impart godly wisdom to those who came after him: "The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel; To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding" (Proverbs 1:1-2)

One of the things that Solomon highlights is the importance of learning from the events and outcomes we see in the lives of others. Solomon received instruction from what happened to other people, not just from his own experiences. Some people refuse to listen, and the only way they will learn is by suffering the consequences of their choices and actions. Benjamin Franklin wrote, "Experience keeps a dear school, but fools will learn at no other."

The slothful man whose vineyard Solomon saw did not set out to have a broken down and unusable vineyard. But his desire for sleep outweighed the necessity of work in his mind, and the consequences soon followed. There are no exceptions to the law of sowing and reaping. We will not somehow be exempt from outcomes that those who have gone before experienced. So we should look well and consider what follows certain choices and actions, and not repeat the mistakes of others.

**Rather than repeat the mistakes of others, we should learn from their examples.**

## **Sermon Notes**



**November 6, 2022**

*Welcome to Harvest  
Baptist Church*

**If you are visiting with us for the first time, we hope that you have already received a warm welcome by our Church Family. Our prayer is that the singing, teaching and preaching of the Word of God will meet a need in your heart and life.**

### **HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Reverend K. Preston Gray, Pastor**  
535 N. Sarival Ave.  
Goodyear, AZ 85338  
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[www.hbcgoodyear.org](http://www.hbcgoodyear.org)  
**Men's Prayer Meeting 9:00 am**  
**Morning Worship 10:00 am**  
**Sunday Evening 6:00 pm**  
**Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 7:00 pm**

Harvest Baptist Church -  
*'Where church still feels like church'*

### Worship Service

Welcome To Harvest Baptist Church

Opening Veterans Day Video

Battle Hymn Of The Republic - 129

Military Hymns

Pastor's Prayer

Welcome & Announcements

Instrumental Special

Onward Christian Soldiers - 429

Prayer

Special Music

Message: Pastor

Invitation

Closing Prayer

#### MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

please pray for...Kenneth and Sheila Seremak our missionaries  
to Papua New Guinea



Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for  
they are white already to harvest.  
John 4:35

#### ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES

are available for use during the church  
services. Please see Robert in the sound booth if you  
wish to use this equipment.

## Events and Opportunities

### A BIG THANK YOU

Thank you to all our church members  
who give of their time, energy and  
talents to keep our church looking nice.  
Many thanks also to those who do the  
landscaping, those who clean the  
missionary quarters, and those who  
clean the church inside and out.



Veterans Day Service  
Sunday, Nov. 6th

Pie and Praise  
Sunday Evening,  
Nov. 22nd



Ladies Bible Study  
Every Tuesday 10-11 AM.

Please Join us for a  
90th  
Birthday Celebration  
in Honor of  
Dolorus Soffera

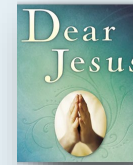
Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>  
2:00pm - 4:00pm  
Harvest Baptist Church  
535 N. Sarival Ave. Goodyear, Az 85338

Open House - Come & Go  
Light Hors d'oeuvres

For Planning Purposes, please RSVP to  
Eileen Soffera at 575 430-6501 By Sat., Nov 26<sup>th</sup>  
No Gifts Please

#### .OFFERING UPDATE

	For The Week of 10/30/2022 - 11/5/2022	Month Total November
General	5,410.50	28,527.29
Missions	750.00	4,515.00
TOTAL	6,160.50	33,042.29
Native American Missions, Inc.	625.00	2,345.00



Spending time in Your company, keenly aware of Your Presence is utterly delightful. It's a foretaste of the eternal pleasures You have prepared for Me. However, I confess that the "dailyness" of life tends to pull me down: My focus on routine duties obscures my awareness of You. I want to enjoy Your continual Presence in all that I do.

*Spend time with Me for the pure pleasure of being in My company. I can brighten up the dull-est of gray days; I can add sparkle to the routines of daily life.*

Beloved, wait in My Presence while I reveal Myself to you. Put aside thoughts of tasks awaiting you, as you focus pleasurable on Me. Allow Awareness of My Presence to become imprinted on your consciousness. Then move gently from this contemplative time into your routine duties. Refuse to view this part of your life as boring. Instead, continue communing with Me, asking Me to be vibrantly involved in your work.

Having already connected with Me at a deep level., you can find Me more easily in the midst of your activities. Naturally, you will lose sight of Me at times; I know you're only human. But you can reconnect readily, by moving toward Me in your thoughts, words, and feelings. The more you include Me in your awareness, the brighter your day will be: Your routines will sparkle with the liveliness of My company.

Psalm 130:5-6 Psalm 103:13-14 Acts 17:28

Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

John 13:14-15