"HONORABLE AND FREE LIVING"

(How To Live Obediently No Matter What - Part 9) March 3, 2024

(1 Peter 2:13–25)

Three general positions of _____:

The view.

The patriot.

submission.

Peter's intention:

It's to provide specific examples of what Christian good deeds/works look like in

, at _____ and in our _____.

Peter's ____:

to those in "¹³Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it is the emperor as supreme, ¹⁴ or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good." (1 Peter 2:13-14)

Why do we submit? "For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people." (1 Peter 2:15)

 Submit to those over you at your "Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also the unjust." (1 Peter 2:18)

We have the promise of God's ______ when we do good while _____.

⁴¹⁹For this is a **gracious** thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰ For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God." (1 Peter 2:19-20)

Christ's example!

²¹ For to this you have been called because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²² He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³ When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were straying like sheep but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls." (1 Peter 2:21-25)

Your first as a Christian:

⁴ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people.² for kings and all who are in high positions. that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way." (1 Timothy 2:1–2)

~ Answers ~ civil, disobedience - anarchist, extremist, Biblica, intention, society, work, marriages, instructions • Submit, political, office, · work/job, presence, suffering, Follow - responsibility.

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Notes

Our Core Values:

(Matthew 22:36-40 & 28:19-20)

WORSHIP: "Love God with all your heart ... "

MINISTRY: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

EVANGELISM: "Go...make disciples / followers..." **DISCIPLESHIP:**

"...teach them...all things ... " COMMUNITY/FELLOWSHIP: "Baptize them ... "

Our Mission Statement:

"Loving God, loving others and reaching the world for Christ!"

Our Vision Statement:

Sierra Vista Community Church exists to help people know, love, and serve God; bonding them into Christian community, equipping them to grow and to minister to those in need; all for the purpose of glorifying Him!

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Stay Connected:



"Where neighbors become friends and friends become family!"

Sunday – March 3, 2024













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~ First-time Guests ~

Welcome! ¡Bienvenidos!

CONNECT & RESPONSE CARD - First time guest? Make a decision today? Need prayer or just want to connect with us? The **CONNECT & RESPONSE** Card (located in the seatback in front of you) is an effective and immediate way to communicate with us! Please take a moment to legibly complete one and then give it to an Usher or place it in the Offering Basket at the end of the service today or if watching online, please email us: office@svccfamily.org with your information or decision.

RESERVED PARKING - Designated parking is available for all **First-time Guests** and **Senior Adults** next to the southside of the building. (See signs.)

RESTROOMS are located just outside the Worship Center *next to the water fountains.* We also have a Family Restroom next to the bulletin board in the Children's Wing that has a changing table and is designated specifically for adults assisting their child or disabled family member.

CHILDCARE is provided and encouraged for all young children (birth - 3yrs). Because our Worship Services are recorded, it is requested you check-in and drop off your child in the Nursery or Toddler's classroom BEFORE the service begins. Please wait to pick up your child until AFTER the service has been dismissed to help minimize any distractions and avoid upsetting the other children thinking it's time to go.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES - All children (5 yrs.- 5th grade) are to attend the worship / singing portion of our service with their parent(s), then be dismissed to their class with their teachers waiting in the hallway to walk with them to class. Parents are still required to pre-register their child(s) before the Worship Service begins whether or not they will be attending class or remaining in the service.

FAMILY ROOM - Located in the Children's Wing, just inside the Northwest entrance, this room is provided for parents of young children who may be ill, nursing, or new to SVCC who'd like to remain with their child and still be able to enjoy the service via live streaming in the room.

ESPAÑOL - Tenemos disponible interpretación en español durante el servicio. Favor de notificar a un ujier para asistirle con un audífono. (Spanish Translation is available during our Worship Service. Please ask an Usher for a Spanish Bulletin and a compact receiver to use.)

Weekly activities:

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TIME (9:00-9:30 am) The Worship Center is open and available at 9:00 am for anyone wanting to have prayer before the service or join others in praying for today's service.

FELLOWSHIP CONNECTION (9:15- 9:55 am) Stop on Sundays by the kitchen counter and enjoy a complimentary cup of coffee and donut in the gathering area or outside on the patio.

EQUIPPING TIME (9:00-9:45 am)

These Sunday Classes designed for adults & older youth are offered on a rotating basis covering various topics to help you learn God's word and develop spiritual growth. (Located in the Children's Educational Wing.) *Current Classes:*

- Understanding Biblical Prophecies, led by Henry Young (Multipurpose Room)
- Deadly Emotions, led by Gayla Ortega (Room 5)

** TUESDAY MORNING COED BIBLE STUDY **

Join us as we start the day together over breakfast and a time of studying and discussing the Bible, one verse at a time. For more info., call Evan 575-640-5582.

Who: Open to women and men When: 6:30 AM every Tuesday Where: IHOP Restaurant, 2900 N Telshor

Worship Through Giving:

Online: We have a secure online giving app. Go to: *give.svccfamily.org*

In-person: Offering envelopes are in the seatbacks in front of you & then place in the collection baskets as you exit OR place in the wall drop box next to the bulletin board by the kitchen.

Mail: 514 North Telshor Blvd., Las Cruces, NM, 88011

Worship Through Service:

There are several ministry opportunities for you to use your time, talent, and skills to serve your church family. Please take a Ministry **T.E.A.M. Card** located at the Resource Table in the main gathering area and register for our next membership class, Class 101: Discovering Class 101. (TBA in church bulletin and online.)

Announcements:

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

Could YOU use a little fun and encouragement in your life? Make plans to join us for our next monthly breakfast (on your own) <u>Saturday</u>, March 9th at 8:00 AM at
Rudy's BBQ Restaurant, located at 1020 N. Telshor Blvd. where we'll share some laughs, hear a short biblical teaching and gain encouragement to help us succeed in life! (No childcare provided, but girls 10 yrs. & older are encouraged to attend!)

TIME CHANGE NEXT SUNDAY! 🔯

Daylight Savings Time begins **NEXT Sunday**, March 10 at 2:00 am! Remember to set your clocks FORWARD 1 hour before you go to bed!!!

A MESSAGE OF HOPE – TODAY, MARCH 3! DON HASKIN CENTER, EL PASO AT 4 PM

For the last seven years, Franklin Graham has held evangelistic tour events across the United States. More than 570,000 have heard the hope of the Gospel and over 34,000 have made decisions for Jesus Christ.

In 2024, Franklin Graham is hitting the road again to bring the Good News to the southwestern United States. Working alongside local pastors, churches, and volunteers, the God Loves You Frontera Tour will boldly share the Name of Jesus in ten cities from Texas to California.

Holy Week Events

✤ Thursday, March 28 at 6:00 p.m. - Lord's Supper (Communion)

Humbly and gratefully come as you are as we focus on sharing of the elements and what Christ did for us. (NOTE: Communion will not be offered on Sunday.)

✤ Friday, March 29 at 6:00 p.m. - Tenebrae Service

Join us for "Tenebrae" **service at 6:00 pm on Good Friday, March 29.** The Tenebrae worship service occurs during Holy Week and has been practiced since medieval times and is designed to be a prolonged meditation on Christ's suffering that includes readings, music, silence, and gradual darkness, culminating in anticipation of Christ's ultimate victory!

Join us for a **workday** to get our church and grounds ready for the spring and summer months on **Saturday**, **March 30** beginning at **8:00 a.m.** Bring your work gloves, hand tools, yard tools and a servant's heart! We will need trucks and trailers to take the trash to the dump.

✤ Sunday, March 31 at 9:00 a.m. - Resurrection Sunday

You are encouraged to join us for a **delicious complimentary breakfast** to be held indoors **BEFORE the worship service at 9:00 am EASTER SUNDAY March 31.** You don't need to bring anything, but we want to be sure to have plenty of food, so, **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. Please sign-up** at the Resource Table or call or email the office at <u>office@svccfamily.org</u> by <u>deadline: Wednesday, March 27</u>.