



SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY - 9 am.

We are at present studying the Gospel of Romans. Johan is facilitating the class. Please join us during this time of learning God's Word.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY - 10 AM

All ladies are encouraged to attend the Wednesday Ladies Bible class. This Wednesday, they will be packing the Jars of Hope.

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S CLASS 9am

Please bring your children to the Children's Bible class. It is so important to bring a child up in God's Way, teaching them about God's Word and God's Love.

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SUNDAY TIMES:

BIBLE STUDIES: 09H00

WORSHIP: 10H00 TO 11H00

31 AUGUST 2025

Preacher: Ordene Engelbrecht

Sermon Topic: "When no one is watching."

Scripture reading: Colossians 3: 17

Song Leader: Braam Le Roux **Scripture Reading:** Thando Ntozakhe

Opening Prayer: Rudi Le Roux **Lord's Table:** Johan Smulders

Closing Prayer: Ray Calder **Attendance last Sunday:** 47

Servers: Johan, Ray, Rudi & Thando

AWWA - BUFFALO FLATS

Date: 7 September, 2025 - Time: 17H00

Everybody is invited to the area wide worship.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the members in our congregation who are in need of God's grace, healing and strength through difficult times. Please pray for Ian, Kate and Landon Roberts, as they are going through a very difficult time.

Galatians 6: 2, "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

We also need to thank God for prayers answered.

TEA & FELLOWSHIP

Please join us after worship for tea and biscuits, while fellowshiping with one another. Ladies on duty are Brenda Baisley and Gill du Preez.

Qualities of a Mother

Strength and Wisdom: "She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue" (Proverbs 31: 25 - 26).

Respect and Praise: Her children "arise and call her blessed" and her husband praises her for her many noble acts (Proverbs 31: 28 - 29).

Guidance and Protection: "When you walk, they will lead you; when you lie down, they will watch over you; and when you awake, they will talk with you" (Proverbs 6: 20 - 22).

Nurturing and Providing: She gets up while it is still night; she provides food for her family and portions for her female servants. (Proverbs 31: 15).

A SHORT SUMMARY OF JAMES (SON OF ALPHEAUS), THE APOSTLE

James, the son of Alphaeus, is known as "James the Less" (or James the Lesser) to distinguish him from the other prominent apostle named James, the son of Zebedee, who is known as "James the Greater". This distinction, mentioned in the Gospels, helps identify the less prominent James, who was one of Jesus' twelve disciples, but plays a smaller role in the biblical accounts compared to his namesake. James the Less is only mentioned four times in the Bible, each time in connection with his mother, Mary, who was one of the women who went to the tomb of Jesus and found that it had been opened.

James is called the son of Alphaeus in all four New Testament lists of the Twelve. While this definitely distinguishes him from James, the son of Zebedee and James, the half-brother of Jesus, it also associates him with the better-known Matthew, who is called Levi, the son of Alphaeus (Mark 2: 14).

James (son of Alphaeus) is named in the list of Apostles in Matthew 10: 1 - 3, Mark 3: 14 - 19, Luke 6: 13 - 16, and Acts 1: 13.

The name "the Less" is used in Mark 15: 40, which refers to "Mary, the mother of James the younger and of Joseph and Salome". The Greek word for "younger" (mikros) is often translated as "Less" or "Lesser". He is mentioned less frequently in the Gospels and plays a minor role in the recorded events compared to other apostles.

Some scholars believe he was a cousin of Jesus, as Alphaeus may have been related to Jesus' mother. The father of the disciple Matthew was also named Alphaeus, leading some to suggest that James and Matthew were brothers. However, although both James, son of Alphaeus, and the publican Matthew are identified by their father's name, Alphaeus, the Bible does not state that Matthew and James the Less were brothers, even though it often lists their family connections for other apostles.

The New Testament does not provide specific accounts of James, son of Alphaeus, engaging in particular acts or teachings. His role as an apostle, however, implies that he was a witness to Jesus' ministry, death and resurrection and that he participated in the early church's mission to spread the Gospel. As an apostle, James would have been involved in the foundational work of establishing Christian communities and teaching the doctrines of the faith.

The Centre Of The Bible

Q: What is the shortest chapter in the Bible?

A: Psalms 117

Q: What is the longest chapter in the Bible?

A: Psalms 119

Q: Which chapter is in the center of the Bible?

A: Psalms 118

Fact: There are 594 chapters before Psalms 118

Fact: There are 594 chapters after Psalms 118

Add these numbers up and you get 1188.

Q: What is the center verse in the Bible?

A: Psalms 118:8

Q: Does this verse say something significant about God's perfect will for our lives?

The next time someone says they would like to find God's perfect will for their lives and that they want to be in the center of His will, just send them to the center of His Word!

Psalms 118:8

"It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man."

Now isn't that odd how this worked out (or was God in the center of it)?

When things get tough, always remember...

Faith doesn't get you around trouble, it gets you through it !!

WHEN I SAY ... "I AM A CHRISTIAN"

When I say ... "I am a Christian,"

I'm not shouting, "I'm saved!"

I'm whispering, "I get lost."

"That is why I chose this way."

When I say ... "I am a Christian,"

I don't speak of this with pride.

I'm confessing that I stumble

and need someone to be my guide.

When I say ... "I am a Christian,"

I'm not trying to be strong.

I'm professing that I'm weak

and pray for strength to carry on.

When I say ... "I am a Christian,"

I'm not bragging of success.

I'm admitting that I've failed

and cannot ever pay the debt.

When I say ... "I am a Christian,"

I'm not claiming to be perfect.

My flaws are way too visible,

but God believes I'm worth it.

When I say ... "I am a Christian,"

I still feel the sting of pain.

I have my share of heartaches,

which is why I seek His Name.

When I say ... "I am a Christian,"

I do not wish to judge.

I have no authority,

I only know I'm loved!