

# Rooted In Faith Red Letter Series

February 18th

## *Message from the Pastor*

**Week 5 Recap of Our Red Letter Sermon Series! : Old and New Testament! Jesus came to fulfill the law!  
Reflecting on Jesus' Teachings**



We shared the first five minutes of Chosen Season 3, Episode 1, because when we read the Bible, especially the Red Letters, we should read it as though Jesus is speaking directly to us—because He is! The video of Him speaking on the hill while we sit and listen is incredibly powerful.

Remove all distractions and spend time with Him daily. This month, challenge yourself to read about Jesus more than you use your phone! Yes, if you use your phone to read about Jesus, that counts as engaging with His Word, but endless scrolling does not!

As you watch the video clip, envision Jesus saying these words to you. Picture yourself being present and listening to His teachings in the Sermon on the Mount.

### **Understanding the Old Testament Law and Its Relevance Today:**

Have you ever had difficulty understanding the Old Testament and the laws it contains? You are not alone! A helpful way to study the Old Testament is to read the New Testament. Whenever the Old Testament is mentioned, take the time to explore its context and meaning. A great example is during the Sermon on the Mount, where Jesus stated that He came to fulfill the law.

This connection between the Old and New Testaments makes both relevant today! Here are several key points to consider:

**The Bible as God's Word:** The entire Bible is considered God's Word, which Christians are encouraged to study and appreciate.

**Understanding the New Testament:** To fully grasp the New Testament and the gospel, it is essential to understand the Old Testament, including the laws it presents.

**God's Character:** God's character, encompassing His holiness and love for justice, remains highly relevant in our lives today.

**In the New Testament:** Many teachings in the New Testament reinforce aspects of God's law for believers today. Notably, the New Testament emphasizes the two greatest commands that capture the essence of the law's purpose:

1. **Love God:** This represents the vertical relationship between God and His followers.
2. **Love your neighbor:** This represents the horizontal relationships among people.

Use this guide to deepen your understanding of Jesus' teachings and the relevance of the Old Testament law in our lives today.

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## *New Website Launch!*



### **HOME | Mckendree**

About McKendree Methodist Rooted In Faith- Deep Roots in KW!  
McKendree Church has a rich history in King William, and as of Fall 2024, we proudly celebrated our transition from the United Methodist Church to an Independent Church that is Rooted In Faith . We are eager to focus our missions on serving our local community!

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## *Middle and High School Students Mission Trip, May 30th!!!*

### Event Information

**Attention: Students in grades 6-12 Save the date of Friday, May 30th!**

One of the goals for this upcoming year is to continue to feed our youth. I am excited to share that we will hold our first youth (middle school to high school age) mission trip this year on Friday, May 30th.

Here is an estimated plan. We will fine-tune things with the education committee, but I wanted you to have the date marked on your calendar. We will encourage our youth to invite friends to come as well. We will host it at McKendree, but all youth are welcome. Please stay tuned for more to come.

Here is what we are thinking for our first mission trip for our kids in 6th to 12th grade:

- We will go to DC via a train (Ashland).
- Visit the Museum of the Bible!
- Provide each participant with a journal for reflection during and after the tour (as a keepsake).
- Spend some time in the afternoon on the lawn discussing and reflecting on what they learned from the museum.
- Hold prayer on the lawn.
- Bring some type of game to play- kickball, wiffle ball, something of that nature.

For the mission aspect, we will prepare something to hand out to everyone (everyone needs Jesus) - something small and easy, but focused on Jesus. Since we will not be promoting our church or anything else, this is truly about Jesus. We will do this together in a group so no one feels isolated.

When?

**Friday, May 30, 2025, 07:00 AM**

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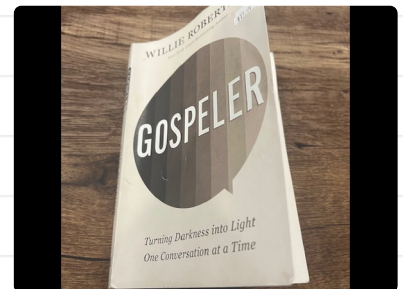
## *Thursday Night Bible Study*

### **Gospelers in training! Thursday nights at 6:30 PM!**

Weekly Update for our Bible/Book Study!

For this week read **Chapter 4:**

Remember, anyone can come any week. It is designed for people to be able to come and go! See you on Thursday!



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## *Red Letter Sermon Series! Listen to our King!*

### **Schedule:**

- **Feb. 23rd - Top 10 Sermon on the Mount- Count Down to Easter!**
  - Worship at **9:30 AM**
  - **Sermon Topic:** " Matthew 7:24-29 "*Build Your House on the Rock*"
  - Fellowship to follow the service.
  - Sunday School for all ages starting at 10:45 AM!



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