



# Welcome

2/2/2025

**John 3:16**

We, the families of the Village Bible Church do lovingly welcome you to this fellowship with us in the blessings of the Gospel.

As a body of believers, we are unified under the absolute authority and sufficiency of Scripture. We exist to equip the saints through preaching, teaching, and biblical discipleship which results in genuine worship, progressive sanctification, the exercise of spiritual gifts in Christian service, and evangelization of the lost. In everything, our goal and desire is to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ and bring glory to God.

## Announcements

Hymn #27 O Worship the King

Greeting

Baptism – Bradean Knight

Hymn #399 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Offertory Sarah Sexton

Hymn #463 O It Is Wonderful to Be a Christian

Message

Lord's Supper

Hymn #353 Victory in Jesus

*As we leave this place, we are entering the Mission Field—  
May the Lord find us Faithful!*

## Missionary of the Month

The Houtz Family to Alaska

Aaron and Rachel have a burden for the many people in the remote villages of Alaska who have never heard about the Gospel of Christ. They have joined the Clark family in the village of Iliamna to help with the church plant, Iliamna Baptist Chapel.

As the Lord wills, they will continue to spread the Gospel through aviation to the nearby villages where there is no consistent Gospel message. Please join them in praying for these small villages, and the dear people who need to hear about the saving work of Christ.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A SPECIAL GIFT TO THIS MINISTRY THIS MONTH, FEEL FREE TO PUT IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE MARKED ACCORDINGLY.

### This Week:

**TONIGHT 6PM**  
Prayer Service

**WEDNESDAY 7PM**  
Bible Study/Kids Club

### Coming Up:

**2/11-Dorcas  
Study/Fellowship**

**2/15-Men's Breakfast**

**2/16-Church Dinner-  
Meatloaf**

### FAMILY INFORMATION

Our goal is to promote families worshipping together. We believe children learn much from sharing the worship experience with adults. Please be considerate of others and keep children in their seats and as quiet as possible. Pews in the rear of the Sanctuary are reserved for families with small children.

Cry room - Back of Sanctuary  
Nursery 6 mo. - 3 yrs.

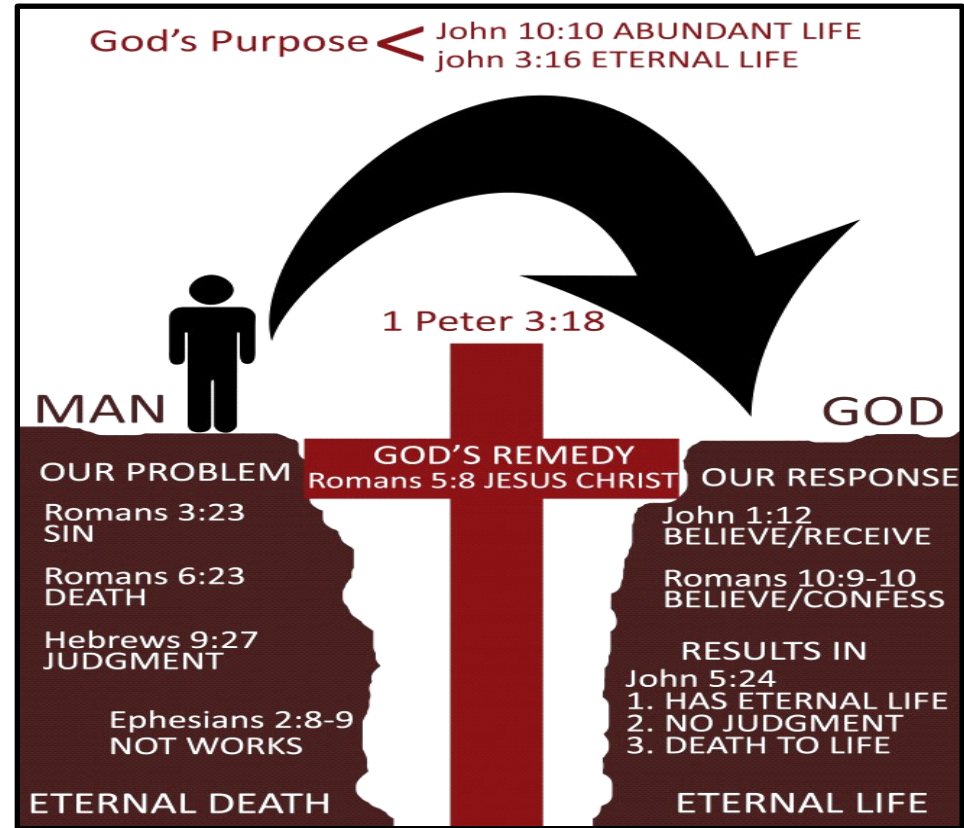
Debbie S.

February 2, 2025

Pastor JJ Sexton

# Village Bible Church

Our Mission is to Preach the Word and to Love the People  
“that we may present every man complete in Christ Jesus”



Sunday Morning Sunday School  
 Sunday Morning Worship Service  
 Sunday Evening Prayer Service  
 Wednesday Evening Bible Study  
 Services available for all ages

9:30 a.m.  
 10:45 a.m.  
 6:00 p.m.  
 7:00 p.m.

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*“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,  
 that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”*

*John 3:16*

## Two Ordinances Baptism and the Lord's Supper

There are two ordinances (*Latin: ordo; to put in order*) commanded by Christ. The church is to observe the ordinances of baptism and communion - **Acts 2:34–47**

We are an assembly (church) of baptized believers fellowshiping around the Lord's Table.

- A proper view of these two ordinances will define a true believer.
- A proper view of these two ordinances will define a proper New Testament church.

- 1) A person believes and is born again and is baptized and begins a life following Christ.
- 2) A Christian following Christ fellowships with Him and His church at the Lord's Supper.

*Baptism is the ordinance that guards the entrance into the church.*

Baptism is a believer's primary act of obedience - **Acts 2:41; 8:12, 35–38; 16:30–34; 10:44–48**

The scriptures provide the normative pattern for all who will come to Christ:

- Hearing the gospel (understanding the truth of Jesus Christ)
- Believing on the Lord Jesus Christ (His death, burial, and resurrection)
- Receiving the Holy Spirit (being born again)
- Being baptized as a testimony of salvation (identification with Christ)

Baptism is a public confession of faith in Christ.

Baptism is an outward identification with Christ.

Baptism is a declaration of membership in the body of Christ.

Baptism is commanded by Christ to the church - **Matthew 28:18–20**

*The Lord's Supper is the ordinance that guards the fellowship the church.*

The Lord's Supper is a fellowship meal shared in the church with Jesus Christ.

- Christ commanded to share a meal of bread and a cup of wine - **Matthew 26:26–30**
- The bread represents Christ's body and the cup represents Christ's shed blood.
- We are to remember that Christ's body bore our sins - **1 Peter 2:24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree,**
- We are to remember that Christ's blood atones for our sin - **1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.**
- Fellowship (*koinonia*) means communion, sharing; cooperation; participating together in what is held in common - **1 Corinthians 10:16–17**
- We are to fellowship with Christ and with each other - **1 Corinthians 11:17–34**

In these two ordinances we have a symbolic demonstration of the gospel of Christ.

- 1) A believer is baptized being united with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection.
- 2) The church fellowship together to share a meal to remember Christ's sacrifice.