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Church of God Big Sandy ChurchofGodBigSandy.com Nov. 26, 2022 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 5:14

Bible studies

Interactive study—1:00 p.m. TBA

Presentation study—2:00 Wynn Skelton

(Also transmitted live)

Order of service—3:00 p.m.

Song leader Reg Killingley

Pianist Recorded accompaniment

Scripture reading Hebrews 5:1-14 Sermon Wynn Skelton

Quick takes

- 1. Pastor's trip—Today, Dave Havir is giving a Bible study and a sermon in Fort Worth. (During the past six months, the Fort Worth pastor's wife died and the pastor also had surgery. Since the pastor had been the primary speaker, the congregation had been recently relying upon video presentations. You might remember that Mr. Havir helped this congregation by giving live presentations on June 25, July 16 and Sept. 17. Last week was the first time that the pastor attended a church service there in six months, but Mr. Havir volunteered to help the congregation out again today.)
- 2. Thank you—Thank you to Amy Case (vocal solo) and Dixon Cartwright (piano solo) for representing our congregation at the community Thanksgiving service last Sunday evening.
- 3. Wednesday-night Bible study—The next Wednesday-night Bible study is Nov. 30.
- 4. Bad weather doesn't stop us—Since the beginning of this congregation, it has been our tradition to avoid canceling a church service due to weather. We expect each individual to use personal judgment and freedom for himself and his family. (Besides, you could join our Internet audience to watch our presentations online.)
- 5. Loss of electricity could slow us down—Although the circumstance would be rare, we would probably cancel a church service in the building due to a

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> loss of electricity. (However, knowing our audience, anyone who showed up might enjoy a small Bible study—as long as we stayed warm enough.)

- 6. Edifying the Body—This week's article is "Thanksgiving 2022" by Oliver North and David Goetsch.
- 7. Among Friends—This week's article is "The Fifth Commandment" by Dave Havir.
- 8. Eye on the World—This week's "Eye on the World" is 21 pages. (Since this edition was completed on Tuesday, it has only 166 headlines.)
- 9. Please remember to pray for the following people who are not able to regularly attend our church service.
 - Mickey Ashcraft
 - David and Becky Bonilla
 Sonny Rosenberger
 - Timberly Dunnam
 Elaine Holloway
 Appette Payne
 Donna Wesse

 - Annette Payne
- Ruth Roe

- Donna Weese

Thought with a twist

How do you decide who to marry? A 10-year-old girl answered: "No person really decides before they grow up who they're going to marry. God decides it all the way before. And you get to find out later who you're stuck with."



"The Fifth Commandment"

This article is from the "Among Friends" section of the Church of God Big Sandy's website (churchofgodbigsandy.com). It was posted for the weekend of Nov. 26, 2022.

By Dave Havir

BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I gave a presentation titled "The Fifth Commandment." Following are some of the scriptures that I read.

Grace and expectations

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Exodus 20:2—"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage."

Exodus 20:12—"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the Lord your God is giving you."

Avoiding revenge

What if your parents don't deserve honor? Honor your Heavenly Father by avoiding revenge upon your physical parents.

Proverbs 19:26—"He who mistreats his father and chases away his mother is a son who causes shame and brings reproach."

Mark 10:29-30—"So Jesus answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My sake and the gospel's, who shall not receive a hundredfold now in this time—houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions—and in the age to come, eternal life.'"

Romans 12:17—"Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men."

Romans 12:19—"Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, 'Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,' says the Lord."

Romans 12:20-21—"Therefore if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him a drink; for in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head. Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good."

Obey "in the Lord"

- Ephesians 6:1-3—Paul wrote that believers should follow their parents "in the Lord."
- Colossians 3:20—Paul wrote that believers should obey their parents in "all" things.
- Acts 4:19—Believers follow God rather than men.
- Acts 5:29—Believers follow God rather than men.

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Honor with actions

- Proverbs 10:1—Wise children make parents glad.
- *Proverbs 23:22-25*—Parents of the righteous rejoice.

Honor with words

- Exodus 21:17—Avoid cursing parents.
- *Proverbs 31:28*—Be children who praise parents.

Honor with money

- 2 Corinthians 12:14—Early in life, parents lay up money for their children.
- 1 Timothy 5:4—Later in life, children can help their parents financially.

1 Timothy 5:8—"But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever."

Mark 7:10-13—"For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother' [Exodus 20:12]; and, 'He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death' [Exodus 21:17]. But you say, 'If a man says to his father or mother, "Whatever profit you might have received from me is Corban"—' (that is, a gift to God), then you no longer let him do anything for his father or his mother, making the word of God of no effect through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such things you do."

Help the fatherless

- Exodus 22:22-24
- Psalm 10:14-18
- James 1:27

Example of Son of God

- John 8:49—The Son of God honored His Father.
- John 19:26-27—The Son of God provided for His mother.