

# THE MESSAGE

## Better Than Rubies

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**Proverbs 8:1-11** - <sup>1</sup>Listen as Wisdom calls out! Hear as understanding raises her voice! <sup>2</sup>On the hilltop along the road, she takes her stand at the crossroads. <sup>3</sup>By the gates at the entrance to the town, on the road leading in, she cries aloud, <sup>4</sup>I call to you, to all of you! I raise my voice to all people. <sup>5</sup>You who are naive, learn good judgment. You foolish people, gain understanding. <sup>6</sup>Listen to me! For I have important things to tell you. Everything I say is right, <sup>7</sup>for I speak the truth and detest every kind of deception. <sup>8</sup>My advice is wholesome. There is nothing devious or crooked in it. <sup>9</sup>My words are plain to anyone with understanding, clear to those with knowledge. <sup>10</sup>Choose my instruction rather than silver, and knowledge rather than pure gold. <sup>11</sup>For wisdom is better than rubies. Nothing you desire can compare with it.

**Proverbs 9:10 (NASB)** - The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

**1 Kings 3:5, 9-12 (NLT)** - <sup>5</sup>That night the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream, and God said, "What do you want? Ask, and I will give it to you!"

...<sup>9</sup>Give me an understanding heart so that I can govern your people well and know the difference between right and wrong. For who by himself is able to govern this great people of yours?"

<sup>10</sup>The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for wisdom. <sup>11</sup>So God replied, "Because you have asked for wisdom in governing my people with justice and have not asked for a long life or wealth or the death of your enemies— <sup>12</sup>I will give you what you asked for! I will give you a wise and understanding heart such as no one else has had or ever will have!

**1 Kings 11:1-4, 9-10 (NLT)** - <sup>1</sup>Now King Solomon loved many foreign women. Besides Pharaoh's daughter, he married women from Moab, Ammon, Edom, Sidon, and from among the Hittites. <sup>2</sup>The Lord had clearly instructed the people of Israel, "You must not marry them, because they will turn your hearts to their gods." Yet Solomon insisted on loving them anyway. <sup>3</sup>He had 700 wives of royal birth and 300 concubines. And in fact, they did turn his heart away from the Lord.

<sup>4</sup>In Solomon's old age, they turned his heart to worship other gods instead of being completely faithful to the Lord his God, as his father, David, had been.

# MESSAGE NOTES

...<sup>9</sup>The Lord was very angry with Solomon, for his heart had turned away from the Lord, the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice. <sup>10</sup>He had warned Solomon specifically about worshipping other gods, but Solomon did not listen to the Lord's command.

**James 1:5 (NLT)** - If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.

**James 3:13, 17-18 (NLT)** - <sup>13</sup>If you are wise and understand God's ways, prove it by living an honorable life, doing good works with the humility that comes from wisdom.

...<sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere. <sup>18</sup>And those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of righteousness.

**1 Corinthians 1:30-31 (NLT)** - <sup>30</sup>God has united you with Christ Jesus. For our benefit God made him to be wisdom itself. Christ made us right with God; he made us pure and holy, and he freed us from sin. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as the Scriptures say, "If you want to boast, boast only about the Lord."

**Matthew 7:24 (NLT)** - "Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock."

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## Financial Update

2024 General Budget: **\$9,100,000.00**

YTD 04.30.2024 - Requirement: **\$2,975,000.00**

YTD 04.30.2024 - Offering: **\$3,294,077.44**

April Kingdom Offering: **\$57,902.13**  
YTD Kingdom Offering: **\$306,341.44**



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Service Times:

- Saturdays | 6pm (south)
- Sundays | 9am (south)
- Sundays | 11:15am (north & south)
- Sunday [Fusion, 18-35] | 6pm (north)

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June 1 & 2, 2024

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Become part of His Family

Extend His Kingdom

## WELCOME!

We're so glad you've chosen to join us!

Christian Assembly (CA) is a community started in response to God's grace shown to us through Jesus Christ. **That grace compels us to lead spiritually convinced and unconvinced people to complete commitment to Jesus Christ.**

We don't profess to have all the answers, but we do believe there is a God who is worth knowing and following. Whether you are simply curious about Jesus or have been a long-time follower of Christ, we welcome you and are excited you are with us today.

Enjoy the service!

Tom Hughes & Mark Pickerill  
Co-Lead Pastors

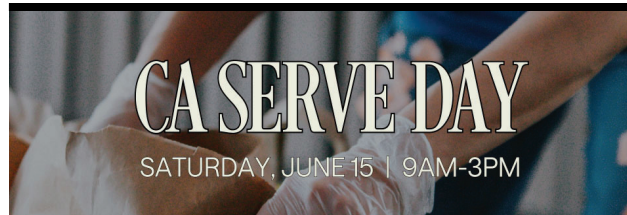
## NEW?

- We'd love to meet you! Stop by our **New People's Table** in the lobby where we have a welcome gift for you.
- There is a **Connection Card** in the seatbacks that you can use to ask questions, submit a prayer request or just let us know you're visiting. Fill it out and drop it in the dropbox at the New People's Table.
- If you have an infant or you'd like your child to be with you during service, there is a **family room** that is equipped with a live feed of the service as well as a private **nursing room** for mothers. The courtyard is also available with a live feed. Just ask an usher!

## INFORMATION



Join us next weekend as we continue in our new series: **Better Than Rubies: Building A Better Life Through God's Wisdom.** What if there was something that could make every area of your life better? There is: God's wisdom. So, invite a friend and join us as we learn how God's timeless wisdom applies to your decision-making, words, work or school life, friendships, relationship with God, and much more!



Let's join in on what God is doing in our city on **Saturday, June 15 (9am-3pm)**! We will be partnering with Christian organizations throughout the city to share and demonstrate the love of Christ. The outreaches include putting on a kids program, building projects, youth outreach, and more. We need at least 200 volunteers to make this happen. For more info and to sign up, please visit: [cachurch.com/kingdom](http://cachurch.com/kingdom)



Our Kids Church Program is offered during all services for children from birth to 5th grade. For more information stop by the Kids Church tent or visit: [cakidschurch.com](http://cakidschurch.com)

We offer programs for both middle and high schoolers. For grades 6th-8th, we meet on Saturdays (6pm-7:15pm) and for grades 9th-12th, we meet on Wednesdays (7pm-8:30pm). For more info, please visit: [castudents678.com](http://castudents678.com)



Fusion is one of our weekend services and is specifically geared toward 18-35 year olds. We meet on Sunday nights 6pm at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north). Join us! For more info, visit: [cafusion.com](http://cafusion.com)

## OPPORTUNITIES



JULY	MON 7/22 TO THURS 7/25	6PM TO 8:30PM
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JUNE	TUE 6/18 TO THURS 6/20	9AM TO 11:30AM
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[CACHURCH.COM/ADVENTUREWEEK](http://CACHURCH.COM/ADVENTUREWEEK)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Partnership 1-Day Class

Whether you are newer to CA or have been here for years, join us for our **1-day Partnership** class (normally done over 4 weeks), on **Saturday, June 8 (9am to 1:30pm) at 2435 Colorado Blvd. Rm. 21 (north).** Partnership is an important step towards belonging where you will get to meet some of our pastors and learn our church history, values & beliefs. Coffee, pastries and lunch provided. **No childcare.** For more info and to register, please visit: [cachurch.com/partnership](http://cachurch.com/partnership)

### Women's Summer In The Word

Join us for **Summer In The Word** as we read through the book of Isaiah! There are 6-week groups available both in-person and online. A daily reading plan will be provided. For more info and to sign up, please visit: [cachurch.com/summerintheword](http://cachurch.com/summerintheword)

### Kids Church Summer Park Meet-Ups

Kids Church is coming to your neighborhood! **Stop by with your family on Sundays June 9 (Eagle Rock Recreation Center in Eagle Rock), July 14 (Garfield Park in S. Pasadena), & Aug. 11 (Crescenta Valley Park in La Crescenta) from 2:30pm-4pm** for snacks, games, and summer hangs with Kids Church. Invite a neighbor or friend to join the fun. For more info, please visit: [cachurch.com/summerparkmeetups](http://cachurch.com/summerparkmeetups)

### Men's Summer Basketball League

Registration for our **Men's Summer Basketball League** is now open! Join us for our 6-week league starting on **Sunday, June 23.** Games will be played on Sunday afternoons at the Yosemite Recreational Center. All skill levels welcomed - Ages 16+. **Cost is \$50.** For more info an to sign up, please visit: [cachurch.com/men](http://cachurch.com/men)

### Fusion Backyard Bible Study

If you are between the ages of 18-35 join us for **Fusion Backyard Bible Study**, as we go through the book of Philippians and uncover what it means to truly center our lives on Jesus Christ. **Thursday evenings in June starting June 6 at the Church Park (7pm).** For more info, please visit: [cafusion.com/backyardnights](http://cafusion.com/backyardnights)