### THE MESSAGE

**Tom Hughes** 

#### A More Excellent Way

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	to others because we think they
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	_ to God because we think He doesn't
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Luke 6:43-45 (NRSV) - <sup>43</sup> No good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit; <sup>44</sup>for each tree is known by its own fruit. Figs are not gathered from thorns, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. <sup>45</sup>The good person out of the good treasure of the heart produces good, and the evil person out of evil treasure produces evil: for it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks.

Proverbs 4:23 (NIV) - Above all else, guard vour heart, for everything you do flows from it.

Luke 18:9-14 (NLT) - <sup>9</sup>Then Jesus told this story to some who had great confidence in their own righteousness and scorned everyone else: <sup>10</sup>"Two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee, and the other was a despised tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed this prayer: 'I thank you, God, that I am not like other people-cheaters, sinners, adulterers. I'm certainly not like that tax collector!<sup>12</sup> fast twice a week, and I give you a tenth of my income.'

<sup>13</sup>"But the tax collector stood at a distance and dared not even lift his eyes to heaven as he prayed. Instead, he beat his chest in sorrow, saving, 'O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner.' <sup>14</sup>I tell you, this sinner, not the Pharisee, returned home justified before God. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

# **MESSAGE NOTES**

Matthew 16:24-26 (ESV) - 24 Then Jesus told his P4 disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.<sup>25</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?

> Colossians 1:15-22 (NLT) - <sup>15</sup>Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation, <sup>16</sup>for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see— such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together. <sup>18</sup>Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. So he is first in everything.<sup>19</sup>For God in all his fullness was pleased to live in Christ, <sup>20</sup>and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross.

<sup>21</sup>This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions. <sup>22</sup>Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault.


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# WAYS TO GIVE



Please visit cachurch.com/giveonline or use the envelope in the seat-backs at our services.

#### Financial Update

2024 General Budget: \$9,100.000.00

YTD 09.30.2024 - Requirement: \$6,825,000.00

YTD 09.30.2024 - Offering: \$7,067,824.92

September Kingdom Offering: \$50.314.26 YTD Kingdom Offering: \$600,508.83

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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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November 2 & 3, 2024

Worship God Become part of His Family Extend His Kingdom

## WELCOME!

# INFORMATION

### **OPPORTUNITIES**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Davlight Savings Ends**

On **Sunday, Nov. 3 at 2am** Daylight Savings Time ends. Remember to turn your clocks **BACK**!

### 6-Week Thrive Class: Resilient

Are you feeling dragged down, worn out or wearied by world events? Or maybe for you it's circumstances closer to home that have caused you to lose your joy. Join us to learn how it is possible for you to be "Resilient". Thursday nights starting Nov. 7 (7pm - 8:30pm) at 2435 Colorado Blvd., Rm 30. For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/resilient

#### **Baptism Class**

If you've decided to trust Jesus with your life and to follow Him, we encourage you to proclaim your decision through baptism. Our next baptism class will be on Sunday, Nov. 10 at 1pm in Rm. 100 (south sanctuary hallway). Our next baptisms will be on Dec. 14/15. For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/ baptisms

### CA Singles (ages 35+)

If you are single and age 35+, join us Monday, Nov. 11 (6:30pm-8:30pm) at 2435 Colorado Blvd., Rm 30 (north) for our Thanksgiving Potluck. We will hear an encouraging word from Laura Silva (Thrive Pastor) about Thankfulness and Resiliency. This will be a great place to meet and hang out with other followers of Jesus. For more info and to sign up for a dish to bring, please email: casingles@cachurch.com

#### Mexico Trip

The weekend of Dec. 6-8, there will be a CA missions team going to Tijuana to partner with La Roca Ministries. We will be putting on a Christmas outreach at the church for families from the dump community, neighborhood, and children in the orphanage. The cost is \$60/person and applications are due by Friday, Nov. 15. For more info and to apply for the trip, please visit: cachurch.com/kingdom

### Human Trafficking Awareness Event

Come learn more about the justice issue of human trafficking and how we can fight against it as the Church. We will hear from a staff member from Zoe International. Lunch will be provided. Sunday, Nov. 17 (1-2:30pm) at 2435 Colorado Blvd., Rm 30 (north). For more info and to sign up, please visit: cachurch.com /kingdom

#### **Fusion Friendsgiving**

Join us for Friendsgiving on Sunday, Nov. 24 at 2417 Colorado Blvd. We will gather with the Fusion community (ages 18-35) after the Fusion-Sunday 6pm service for a FREE Thanksgiving meal. Bring a friend.

### We're so alad vou'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 (Lead Pastor) and the CA Pastoral Team



Invite a friend and join us as we continue in our current series "A More Excellent Way: Strength To Love Your Neighbor When It's Hard To Do". This series will help us practice some key spiritual disciplines so that when the pressure is on, we have the strength to live out the more excellent way. Learn how to rely on God's power to love others when it's hard to do. Next weekend is a Baby Dedications weekend.



It's Christmas Pajama Season! Donate Pajamas for Moms, Children and Families at three Union Rescue Transitional Housing Sites and Door of Hope this Christmas season. Your gift will bring a smile and warmth to families experiencing homelessness in our city. Donations will be collected on Tuesday, Nov. 19 (4pm-7pm) and at our Women's Gathering on Wednesday, Dec. 4 (6pm-9pm). Thank you for your generosity! For more info and to donate, please visit: cachurch.com/pjdrive



• 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 seat-backs 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 drop box 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. Just ask an usher!

Our Kids Church Program is offered during all services for children from birth to 5th grade. For more information stop by the Kids Church CHURCH tent or visit: 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



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



Wednesday, Dec. 4 | 7pm 2424 Colorado Blvd. (south sanctuary)

Join us for our annual Women's Christmas Gathering where we will enjoying hot chocolate and cookies

spend time worshiping with Christmas songs, playing festive games, hearing a message of hope from God's Word and

together as a community!

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