

## A Faith Needing Wisdom

James 1:5-8

Jack Napier

**What's True?** *What do I see in the Bible?*

**What's Real?** *What do I see in my life?*

- Who has been an example of "wisdom" in my life? How did they learn what to do? Is that how I learn?
- How confident am I in knowing what to do when I face trials, difficulties, or complex situations?
- How often do I go to God first when I approach a fork in the road?
- Thinking of an example when God gave me wisdom: Did I ask for it? Is that how He normally works with me? Would it change if I made a habit of asking Him for wisdom on a regular basis?

**What's Next?** *Write a prayer and a practical step in light of truth.*

We believe that regular giving to the local church is an essential act of worship in response to God's provision for us. You can give online and set up automatic withdrawals at [gcc-online.org](http://gcc-online.org) or drop your gift in one of the baskets at the exits of the Worship Center.

### Statistics from February 17

Worship Attendance: 587  
General Offering: \$20,739

### Fiscal year as of 1/31/19

Income: \$84,600  
Expenses: \$72,161  
Budget: \$86,937

# Welcome to Grace!

February 24, 2019

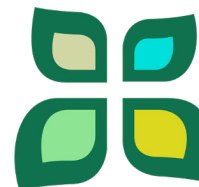
## REAL FAITH

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A STUDY OF  
*James*

**Grace Community Church exists to love God,  
love people, and lead others to do the same.**



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## Welcome to Grace

We are so glad you're here!

We have a strong desire to know and experience God's love. It is God's love for us which, in turn, inspires us to love God, love people, and lead others to do the same.

If you're a guest with us, we would love to hear from you! Go to [gcc-online.org](http://gcc-online.org) and click the green button that says Connect With Us and tell us how we can serve you. Or, if paper is more your speed, there are Connection Cards available by the offering baskets at the doors of the Worship Center or at the Connection Desk in the foyer.

In addition to our worship services, we have a number of other opportunities for you and your family to engage today:

- Sunday school classes for adults (find a complete list of classes at the Connection Desk)
- Sunday school classes for children age 3 through 8th grade
- Nursery for children birth through age 3
- Igniter gathering for high school students (tonight at 6:30pm in the Activity Center)

If you have any questions or want more information about who we are and what we do, visit the Connection Desk in the foyer or check out our website at [gcc-online.org](http://gcc-online.org).

## Next Steps



### Starting Point

*Sunday, March 3 | 12:00pm | Fireside Room*

If you want to learn more about Grace, we would love to give you an introduction to who we are and what we are all about. Come to Starting Point directly after the 10:30 service next Sunday for a great opportunity to meet some of our staff and elders and get to know us as a church. We will even take care of your kids and feed you pizza for free.

**Next step:** Join us next Sunday for Starting Point. Not only will you learn about who we are, but Starting Point is the perfect place to begin your journey of getting more deeply connected with Grace Community Church.

## Ministry Spotlight

GRACE

LOCAL

DOMESTIC

GLOBAL

When you give to the LORD at Grace, you give to...

**The Salvation Army**

The Salvation Army works to provide for the needs of those in Harvey County. They assist over 150 people per week with food, utilities, rent, gas, and medical needs, and they do it all in the name of Jesus.

**How to be praying for Salvation Army:** Pray for Barbara Lee, the director of our local Salvation Army. Pray for wisdom in meeting the needs of those in Harvey County.

## Life at Grace

### Executive Director of Ministries job description

The Executive Director of Ministries will...

- SERVE THE ELDERS by developing measureable goals and strategies for effectively carrying out the elders' vision.
- SERVE THE PASTORS by establishing church policies and procedures and supporting their pastoral work.
- SERVE THE CHURCH by supervising office staff, overseeing councils and supporting their ministry efforts as well as coordinating and mobilizing all-in church events.

### Grace Foundations

*Sundays, March 10 - 31 | 10:30-11:45am | Fireside Room*

Grace Foundations is a four-session study of the basic elements of living as a follower of Christ. This study series can be an important investment in building a firm faith foundation in your life. It is also a great step on the path to membership at Grace, as you have the opportunity to become familiar with our beliefs. If you feel God stirring you to connect at a deeper level at Grace, we invite you to join us for this upcoming Grace Foundations class.

### Forming

*Tuesdays, March 12 - June 4 | 7:00-9:00pm | Activity Center*

If you were blessed by the content of the A Praying Life seminar, Forming would be a great way to continue growing in your relationship with your loving heavenly Father. Most of us know what it's like to mean well and try harder to become the person we think God wants us to be. In Forming we call that "rowing." Often we ask the Lord for strength - to row harder! Often we get exhausted and discouraged by this process. Forming is different from traditional discipleship models because it teaches us to "sail." The class helps us learn how to be with God, how to develop a genuine relationship with Him, and how to engage with Him for the transformation we long for. You can find more information or register at [gcc-online.org/upcoming-events](http://gcc-online.org/upcoming-events).

### Summer Quest Hosts & Coordinators Needed

Summer Quest - our annual neighborhood-based Bible school outreach - is quickly approaching and we need your help! Right now, we are in search of hosts & coordinators. Hosts offer their yard as a meeting space where neighborhood kids can come together and learn about God. Coordinators work to put together- and coordinate the team of volunteers who make Summer Quest happen. If you are interested in reaching your community with the Gospel in either of these ways, let us know by clicking the big green Connect With Us button at [gcc-online.org](http://gcc-online.org).

### Men's Retreat

*Friday, May 3 - Sunday, May 5 | Edgewater Beach Resort, Forsyth, MO*

The annual Men's Retreat to the banks of Lake Taneycomo is a great opportunity to take a weekend to step back from the normal rhythms of life and be refreshed. The weekend will include sessions featuring Jonathan Classen as the speaker, as well as free time to enjoy fishing, golf, and other Branson-area attractions. More information and registration forms can be found at [gcc-online.org/upcoming-events](http://gcc-online.org/upcoming-events).

For more details about these and other events, check out the **Upcoming Events** section at [gcc-online.org](http://gcc-online.org)