

West Valley Church of Christ – March 10, 2024

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Devotional: 6:30 p.m.

IT IS GREAT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Did you know we can become so used to listening to sermons and Bible lessons we can be tempted to think that listening alone is enough? Listening alone will never make us “Authentic Christians.” Hearing is essential to doing; however, doing is essential to becoming an authentic Christian. What we see when we stand in front of the mirror is only what we look like on the outside, but we know that God’s Word goes beyond the surface. We need to look intently into God’s word that removes our excuses, illusions,



rationalizations and even lies and so we can really look at who we are. Hebrews 4:13 says, “For the Word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.” the pathway to becoming authentic begins in God’s operating room, where we lie down before Him, bare our souls and let Him use His scalpel of Truth. It can hurt to feel God’s Word pierce our lives. It can hurt to have our deception sliced away as we expose our hearts to God. We have heard the saying, “The truth can hurt,” but remember there is such a thing as healing hurt and a helpful pain. After God operates on us, we emerge from surgery free from the sin’s penalty. God’s comfort runs deep for those who look to His Word for guidance and will walk with Him.

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