

West Valley Church of Christ – May 18, 2025

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

ATTACK THE ROOT

Every morning, he made the inspection. For a couple of days, he wondered if what had been sprayed on the weeds in his yard was going to work. At first, the objects of his dissatisfaction, those persistent weeds, seemed undisturbed. However, around the third – and



fourth-day obvious changes were beginning to take place. After the seventh day it was apparent the solution had done its job for there was no sign of life in the once flourishing weed. The yard chemical had attacked the roots of the weeds for an effective kill. At first things may appear undisturbed, but the poison often will eventually take its toil. Sin will not only affect externals it makes its way into our hearts and strikes at the root of faith, of spiritually, of life. If we continue to ignore sin at its root the result will be a withering conscience, a shriveling of morals and in time a complete collapse of the soul (see James 1:15). Jesus is the answer to our sin problem. Sin ultimately destroys the soul unless it is repented of and cleansed by the blood of Christ. James Chapter 1 warns us, “Do not merely listen to the Word and so deceive yourselves. Do what it say” (James 1:21). We can be set free of any sin that seeks to bind us, but we must not take sin lightly (John 8:31-32). The sin we ignore promises to destroy, so let us with God’s help attack the root.

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