

West Valley Church of Christ – August 2, 2026

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Devotional: 6:00 p.m.

THE SPIRIT OF THANKSGIVING

Years ago, my father had a very serious car accident where the airbag deployed and hit him in his face. He said, “I’m not sure what’s worse, hitting a javelina at fifty miles an hour or being hit by the air bag at 150 miles an hour?” He had a point, although statistics show airbags can save lives. He was thankful the airbag likely saved his life even though his nose was broken. I have noticed even Christians can have some difficulty in praising the Lord when our nose is broken. The thing that impresses me the most about the early Christians is they could be up to their necks in hot water and still sing thanksgiving praises to God. We should strive to be like the early Christians and live at all times with a spirit of thanksgiving in our hearts for what the Lord has done for us. Psalm 106:1, “Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.” Wouldn’t it be wonderful to be able to praise the Lord like Paul, Silas, Peter, and John? These men consistently served God and praised Him no matter the difficulties Satan would put in their path. These men served God and applied Psalm 105:1, “Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.”

Clark Tatum