# Thankful for the Character of God

"Thanksgiving 2021" (Exodus 34:5-7)

And Yahweh passed over before him, and he proclaimed, "Yahweh, Yahweh, God, who is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding with loyal love and faithfulness, keeping loyal love to the thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and he does not leave utterly unpunished, punishing the guilt of fathers on sons and on sons of sons on third and fourth generations."

Compassionate (רְּחִוּם - Rakhum)		
Gracious (קּדְ - Khen)		
Slow to Anger (אֶרֶך אָפִים - Arek Apim)		
Loyal Love (קֶּקֶד - Khesed)		
Faithfulness (אֶמֶת - Emet).		

#### **Next Steps**

- Memorize Exodus 34:5-7.
- Be thankful for all God has done for you.
- Most of all, be thankful for who God is.

#### This Week's Growth Guide

God's Word is both central and critical to your spiritual growth. We invite you to utilize the Growth Guide during the week to further your application of the Truth from the message.

- **Monday Exodus** 34:1-9
- **Tuesday** Psalm 33:1-22
- Wednesday Psalm 34:1-22
- Thursday <u>Psalm 101:1-8</u>
- **Friday** <u>Psalm 103:1-22</u>

#### **Home Church**

Our Home Churches meet weekly to facilitate quicker relational depth, study the same passage taught

Sunday to help apply Scripture in the context of community, and pray with one another. *Home Church helps our body seek God's best for one another.* 

- Read Exodus 34:1-9.
- What stands out in this passage or from the message?
- How does the *compassionate* character of the Lord impact you and how do you respond to this truth?
- How does the *gracious* character of the Lord impact you and how do you respond to this truth?
- How does the *patient—slow to anger* character of the Lord impact you and how do you respond to this truth?
- How does the *Loyal Love* of the Lord impact you and how do you respond to this truth?
- How does the faithful—trustworthy character of the Lord impact you and how do you respond to this truth?

#### **Finances**

Weekly Budget 28,846 Giving For 11/14 19,524 Giving For 11/21 32,104

YTD Budget 605,769 YTD Giving 593,709 over (12,061)

## **Generations Campaign**

Total Pledge 1,535,065 Received-to-date 1,618,422

Operation Christmas Child Collection
On Sunday, December 12, we will put a bow on National Collection Week
as we share and celebrate the total number of boxes packed at
Fellowship, as well as our River Valley Area!

You won't want to miss it!

# New to Fellowship?

We are so glad that you joined the Fellowship Family to worship this morning. If you are joining us for the first time or have been checking us out for a few weeks, we are excited you are here and would love to meet you. Please fill out the "Connect" section of your bulletin, tear it off, and bring it to the Connection Center in the Atrium, we would love to say "hi" and give you a gift.

### Fellowship Parents' Night Out

It is that time again! We are getting ready for Parents' Night Out. If you would like a few hours to yourself in the middle of the busy holiday season, we are here for you. Register at <a href="https://www.fellowshipconway.org/register">www.fellowshipconway.org/register</a>. You can drop your kids off with us Friday, December 10 at 6:00 p.m. Just don't forget to pick them up at 8:30 p.m. We are looking forward to it and we hope you are too!

#### A Place For You

Finding just the right area to serve can sometimes be intimidating, but knowing what opportunities are available and the time commitment is to fulfill the role could help you make the right connection. Go to <u>fellowshipconway.org/serve</u> to see current and ongoing service opportunities for a good fit and try out what interests you.

#### Black & White

A Red Carpet Event benefiting the Harbor Home will be Thursday, December 9 at Legacy Acres, 5:30 p.m. To purchase table/tickets call the Harbor Home at 501-499-8622 or go to www.harborhome.com.

# **Christmas Offering**

Our annual Christmas offering will be taken in the month of December. Please keep Fellowship in mind as you consider your end-of-the-year gifts. More information coming on December 5th.

## Join a Small Group

Coming in January! If you haven't had an opportunity to seek out and join a Home Church, January is a great time to jump in! For more information, go to fellowshipconway.org/homechurch.

## **Christmas Eve Services**

Join us Christmas Eve for our candle light service at 4:00 or 6:00 p.m.