

Neshaminy Valley Baptist Church

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July 12th, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

“Be ye holy, for I am Holy”

- July 12, Sun** Let us worship God with a contrite and upright heart
Prov 4: 6-9 ‘wisdom will guard, give insight, exalt and honor you ...’
- July 13, Mon** Pray for NVBC – that the next few months would be stable
Joshua 8: 1-17 After all that happened in chp 7, how important is “Do not fear and do not be dismayed.” (vs 1 a)? God instructs Joshua to plan an ambush – a military strategic move. God always plans, has a way of doing things – in your life and ministry, do you? Do you have a plan / strategy that comes with God’s wisdom?
- July 14, Tues** Pray that God would reveal God’s plan for the next few years
Joshua 8: 18-29 Often we miss / forget the brutality – 12,000 “men and women” (vs 25); it is safe to presume, children too! As much for people of the Christian faith we accept it as “God’s will” for His purpose, we should also be aware that people who are not of Christian faith find this troubling.
- July 15, Wed** Pray that NVBC would be a people who practice gratitude
Joshua 8: 30-35 “an altar” – it is typical that God’s people practice gratitude and worship. Today, our gratitude is often limited and expressed in words and feelings. Does God deserve more than that ‘which cost us nothing’? [cf. 2 Samuel 24: 23-25]
- July 16, Thur** Pray for a habit that enquires and asks of God for wisdom
Joshua 9: 1-15 vs 14 is the key verse: “... but did not ask counsel from the LORD”. Joshua made a covenant with Gibeon to let the people live in peace, probably out of the kindness of his heart. Do you let your emotions rule your decisions? How good are you in making decisions that go against your kind feelings?
- July 17, Fri** Satan is also at work, and crafty too (2 Cor. 11: 14, 1 Peter 5:8)
Joshua 9: 16-27 When the bluff was discovered, notice verse 20 – there are consequences that one must accept that are because of unwise decisions that are not approved by God, however kind and generous a person or however noble the motive was.
- July 18, Sat** Birthday: Caroline Kates
Joshua 10: 1-15 Politics live! 5 neighboring kinds decide to attack Gibeon. Notice some repeating phrases “I have given them into your hands” (vs 8), or “the LORD threw them into a panic ...” (vs 10). God even threw hailstones and more people were killed by that (vs 11)
- July 19, Sun**
Prov 4: 6-9

Joshua 7

Individuals in Community

Intro: God’s covenant relationships are with a community

1. One Person’s Sin – a Community held Accountable (vs 1-15)
 - a) Biblical Examples:
 - i. _____ – a whole race (Rom 5: 12, 18-19)
 - ii. _____ – rebellion brought judgment (Num 16)
 - iii. David’s _____ – 70,000 Israelites died (2 Sam 24)
 - iv. _____, Corinth – purity of the church (1 Cor. 5:6)
 - b) Sin is never _____; it affects _____, _____, ministries and communities
2. One God’s Holiness – an Expectation of the People (vs 10-15)
 - a) Israel’s problem was not _____ weakness, but _____ (vs 13)
 - b) God expects _____ (Lev 19:21, 1 Pet 1: 15-16, Heb 12: 14)
 - c) God doles out consequences to *groups of people* and *individuals* ... to reinstate the _____ of _____ (Acts 5: 5,11)
3. Sin, Confession, Repentance and Consequence (vs 19-26)
 - a) Sin requires _____. Did Achan confess (vs 19-21)?
 - b) Confession is different from _____; confession is an _____ of _____, while *repentance* includes an _____ of that inner remorse (2 Cor. 7: 10-11), which might desire _____ (Luke 19: 8)
 - c) Forgiveness does not guarantee _____
 - i. _____ (2 Samuel 12) – an innocent _____ dies
 - ii. _____ (Num 20) – does not enter the Promised Land
 - iii. _____ (Judges 16) – restored but still _____

God takes sin so seriously that He cares more about His holiness than worry about what happens to us, individually or as a group



If you are visiting with us for the first time, we want to warmly welcome you! Please fill out the visitor's card and put it in the offering plate. Thank you!

READINGS: we are reading through the Book of Joshua – it records Israel’s transition from a wandering people to a covenant nation under Joshua after Moses’ death. It highlights God’s faithfulness where God teaches His people blessings that come through faith and obedience. Joshua foreshadows Jesus Christ, who leads believers into the eternal inheritance and rest.

This Week

Sunday	10:00	am	WORSHIP
	6:00	pm	Youth Group
Tuesday	7:00	pm	Small Group (Corbetts)
Wednesday	7:00	pm	AA Women’s Mtg

Dates To Remember

Sept 13 th (Sun)		Worship on the Mound
Sept 20 th (Sun)	4:30 pm	Installation Service for Shamoir Griffin
Nov 14 th (Sat)	11:00 am	Gratitude Celebration of the Thomas’

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