



Welcome

2/22/2026

John 3:16

We, the families of the Village Bible Church do lovingly welcome you to this fellowship with us in the blessings of the Gospel.

As a body of believers, we are unified under the absolute authority and sufficiency of Scripture. We exist to equip the saints through preaching, teaching, and biblical discipleship which results in genuine worship, progressive sanctification, the exercise of spiritual gifts in Christian service, and evangelization of the lost. In everything, our goal and desire is to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ and bring glory to God.

Announcements

Hymn #250 Magnify the Lord

Greeting

Hymn #147 This Is My Father's World

Offertory Hannah Balman

Hymn #536 Joy in Serving Jesus

Message

Hymn #385 Trust and Obey

*As we leave this place, we are entering the Mission Field—
May the Lord find us Faithful!*

Missionary of the Month

The Houtz Family to Alaska

Aaron and Rachel have a burden for the many people in the remote villages of Alaska who have never heard about the Gospel of Christ. They have joined the Clark family in the village of Iliamna to help with the church plant, Iliamna Baptist Chapel.

As the Lord wills, they will continue to spread the Gospel through aviation to the nearby villages where there is no consistent Gospel message. Please join them in praying for these small villages, and the dear people who need to hear about the saving work of Christ.

If you would like to give a special gift to this ministry this month, feel free to put it in the offering plate marked accordingly.

This Week:

TONIGHT 6PM

Prayer Service

WEDNESDAY 7PM

Bible Study/Kids Club

COMING SOON:

March 8

Camp Fundraiser Dinner

March 10

Ladies Fellowship

FAMILY INFORMATION

Our goal is to promote families worshiping together. We believe children learn much from sharing the worship experience with adults. Please be considerate of others and keep children in their seats and as quiet as possible. Pews in the rear of the Sanctuary are reserved for families with small children.

Cry room - Back of Sanctuary

Nursery 6 mo. - 3 yrs.

SS.-Lyndzi/Kandi Worship - Kaitlin Pi./Raylei

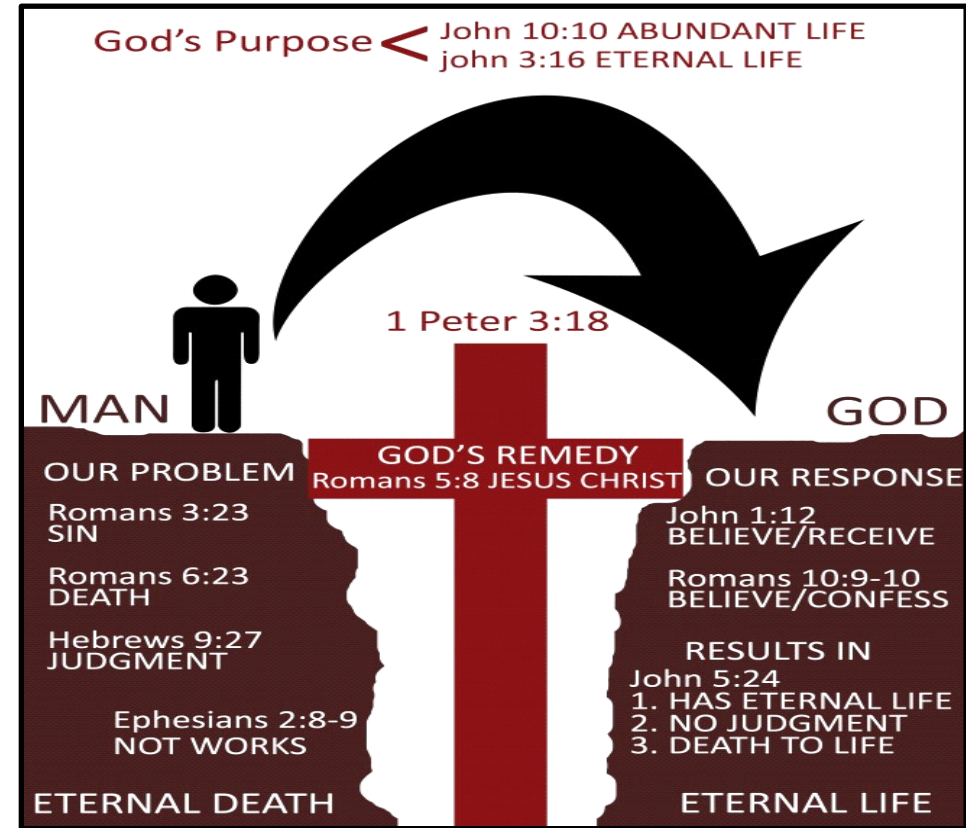
Wed. night - Kaitlin Pe./Hannah

February 22, 2026

Pastor JJ Sexton

Village Bible Church

Our Mission is to Preach the Word and to Love the People
“that we may present every man complete in Christ Jesus”



Sunday Morning Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship Service	10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Prayer Service	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
Services available for all ages	

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*“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,
that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”*

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Believing Christ's Power over the Unclean Spirits
Luke 8:26–39

Jesus used four incidents to show the disciples who He was and what faith in Him looked like.

The disciples of Jesus must believe that He has total power over the demonic domain.

Jesus has the authority and the ability to overcome unclean spirits - v. 26–33

- Born-again believers cannot be possessed by demons (Eph 1:13).
- Christians can be oppressed and influenced by demonic behaviors (Jas 3:15).
- The man was possessed, controlled, and tortured by demons.
- Jesus was in control over the demons as they fell down before Him.
- Jesus exposed the intensity and complexity (legion) of this demon possession.
- A legion is the largest (4,000 to 7,000) organized unit of the Roman Army. The name is not meant to give a specific quantity of demons, but the kind of dominating hold they had on this man.
- The demons can do nothing without Jesus' permission (Job 1:12; 2:6).
- The destruction of the swine exposed the vicious dominating power of the demons.
- Jesus cast out the unclean spirits into the unclean hogs and then removed them both.

There were two responses to Jesus' cleansing the unclean spirits and the unclean hogs - v. 34–39

- The people were afraid of the high cost of demonic reprisals and spiritual warfare.
- The people were afraid of the high cost of change the power of Jesus can make.
- The people were dominated by fear and begged Jesus to leave - **Revelation 21:8; 1 John 5:4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?**
- The demon possessed man was now free and clean, but those who pleaded with Jesus to leave remained in bondage to the unclean spirits, the unclean hogs, and their sin.
- The man was cleansed! Only the power of Jesus can restore a life - **2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.**
- Jesus was now the Lord of this man's life (v. 35).
- He wanted to follow Jesus with the disciples (v. 38).
- Jesus sent him home to tell evangelize (v. 39).

Demonic bondage keeps lost people from believing Christ to be saved.

Demonic induced fear enslaves the lost with the unclean spirits and unclean hogs.

Demonic fear chooses the hogs, and the demons, and sin rather than Christ.

Demonic fear can keep God's people from believing Christ can completely and permanently remove the unclean spirits and the unclean hogs from their lives - **Colossians 1:13–14 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.**

Brother and sister, do not fear the demons, and do not fear the change Christ can bring.