

West Valley Church of Christ - April 30, 2023

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

WHAT REALLY MATTERS

One day some people who were following Jesus were arguing over money. So, Jesus took the opportunity to tell a parable of a rich man. This particular man stored up things for himself but was not rich toward God and as a result Jesus called him “a fool” (Luke 12:20). He was a fool because he left God out of his plans. If you have ever played the game of monopoly, you’d know the goal is the same as any other game – to win. To win in monopoly means you won the best property and the most expensive property. You try to collect houses and hotels, and of course lots of cash. If you do really well in the game, you have stacks of money, railroads, and if you do really, really well, the bank is borrowing money from you. But when the game is over what happens? Every dollar, every red hotel, every green house, every piece of property including Park Place and Boardwalk goes back in the Monopoly box. The man in Jesus’ story in Luke 12 played the game of life pretty well. In the eyes of the world, he would never have been called a fool. He was a fool because he forgot what really matters – loving God and loving others (Matthew 22:37-38). This is the identification of those called to be saints (Romans 1:7) and live holy lives (Hebrews 12:14)



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