



Christmas Eve

AT WOODMEN VALLEY CHAPEL

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A Song of Tattered Pages

A Message from Pastor Matt Heard

The best books reveal their value by their well-worn, tattered pages. Pages turned often and eagerly because they engage our heart and resonate with our journey.

Our life stories reveal tattered pages as well. Pages filled with beauty, triumphs and laughter, but also frayed by brokenness, failures and tears.

The book that relates best with our life's story is a supernatural one: the Word of God. The degree to which we experience the Life-giving connection between those Scriptures and our own story will be directly related to how tattered the pages are.

Do we merely keep a Bible around without actually digging into it? Or do we read, study and wrestle with those pages of Truth to give them that well-worn, tattered indication of being valued? In addition, do we honestly engage with the tattered aspects of our own story? Or, instead, do we spend our energy denying the brokenness, pursuing diversions, or anesthetizing ourselves with the painkillers of superficial pursuits?

The bottom line: Do we let the tattered pages of Scripture mingle with the tattered pages of our story? If so, we quickly come face to face with the Centerpiece of Scripture, Jesus Christ, who is the Logos, the living Word. *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. (John 1:1,14)*

The more we read the written Word, the more we get to know Christ, the living Word. And the more we relate with the living Word, the more we realize how "tattered" He became... for us, and our tattered condition. *But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. (Isaiah 53:5)*

Our hope is that God will enrich your engagement with Him and His Word... and as the pages of your own Bible become tattered, you'll begin to relate with the grace and truth of Jesus Christ, the living Word, and thereby experience the redemption of your story's tattered pages.

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Music of the Season

**Danny Oertli
Rockrimmon**

Welcome

**Pastor Wade Brown
Rockrimmon**

Carols of Christmas

**Mark Tedder
Rockrimmon**

Message

**Nate Rees
Woodmen Heights**

Pastor Matt Heard

Worship through Communion

Worship through Giving

Silent Night

Benediction

Pastor Matt Heard

Welcome to Woodmen Valley!

We are honored that you have chosen to celebrate Christmas Eve with us this year. Whether you are a long-time follower of Christ or someone who is honestly investigating what Christmas is all about, we are glad you are here.

This is an opportunity to carve out a moment of peace that most of us need desperately, particularly after the tragic community events we have all endured together over the past few weeks. Our desire is that our time together will serve as a catalyst for renewed hope rooted in a truth that is not based on circumstances, but instead on a God who promises to bring beauty from ashes and gladness from mourning.

If we can help you with your spiritual journey, please let us know. If you would like more information about becoming a follower of Jesus Christ or our Starting Point Groups (a 10 week small group where you are invited to ask questions or voice any opinion about God, the Bible or faith), check the box on the insert in this program and drop it off in the offering basket as it passes.

Thank you again for worshiping with us. We pray that you have a very merry and hope-filled Christmas!