Sermon Notes

May 30 & 31, 2015 Pastor Jamie Rasmussen

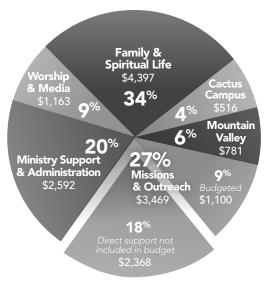


Humility | John 3:22-36

II. The ACTION of humility: God's	to my	(v. 30)

I. The ATTITUDE of humility: it's ______ from _____. (v. 27)

²² After this Jesus and His disciples went into the Judean countryside, and He remained there with them and was baptizing. ²³ John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim, because water was plentiful there, and people were coming and being baptized ²⁴ (for John had not yet been put in prison). ²⁵ Now a discussion arose between some of John's disciples and a Jew over purification. ²⁶ And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, He who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you bore witness—look, He is baptizing, and all are going to Him." ²⁷ John answered, "A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven. ²⁸ You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, 'I am not the Christ, but I have been sent before Him.' 29 The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. 30 He must increase, but I must decrease." 31 He who comes from above is above all. He who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks in an earthly way. He who comes from heaven is above all. 32 He bears witness to what He has seen and heard, yet no one receives His testimony. ³³ Whoever receives His testimony sets his seal to this, that God is true. 34 For He whom God has sent utters the words of God, for He gives the Spirit without measure. ³⁵ The Father loves the Son and has given all things into His hand. ³⁶ Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him. - John 3:22-36ESV



This graph shows a \$10.55 proposed budget plus \$2.37 in direct support giving, totaling \$12.9 million in proposed expenditures.

FY15-16 Proposed Budget: \$10.55 Million

On June 6 and 7, members of Scottsdale Bible Church will be asked to affirm the proposed budget of \$10.55 million for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2015. This budget reflects continued ministry expansion and includes a full year of Mountain Valley Campus. It is a 4.2% increase over this year's estimated actual giving of \$10.1 million, which only included a partial year of Mountain Valley. Our Elder Board unanimously affirmed the proposed budget.

God has richly blessed our church this year with combined giving to the general fund and Compelled by Grace totaling more than \$15 million. You are a generous church with a heart for giving, a propensity to meet needs, and a passion to expand God's kingdom. Your faithful support reflects a commitment to **win** people to faith in Jesus, **build** people as disciples, and **send** them to win and build others in their spheres of influence.

This has truly been a significant year in the life of Scottsdale Bible. By faith, we are realizing the plans God has laid before us to expand our impact and reach those who are disconnected from Him, both here in our city and around the world.

On our campuses

- We opened Grace Chapel, a new Student Center, and are nearing completion of the Children's Center and Café. All will enable us to reach and engage new families.
- Mountain Valley Campus became our second multisite and now offers two worship services.
- 680 kids attended VBS and 86 made first-time faith decisions.
- 733 students attended camp and 96 made first-time decisions for Christ.
- 10,000 people celebrated Christ's birth at Winter Wonder and many have continued to attend and connect here.
- 2,980 adults shared life together in 310 small groups.
- 62 people demonstrated their faith in Christ through baptism.

In our community

- 250 inner-city kids were taken Christmas shopping by our students and volunteers as a result of \$68K in Winter Wonder giving.
- 12,630 meals, 600 pairs of shoes, 750 gifts for kids at Neighborhood Ministries, 390 turkeys, and three semi truckloads of donations were given to help people in need.
- \$239K in Elder Fund giving allowed us to help 208 families with essential living expenses; \$51K provided camp scholarships for kids; and \$20K supported our Minister in Training program.
- 194 worship center pews were donated to bless 11 Native American churches in Arizona.
- Hundreds served with our 19 ministry partners to care for the homeless, single moms, prisoners, refugees and kids.

Around the world

- 23 short-term mission teams with 340 people shared the gospel in 13 countries.
- 40 of our 51 missionaries attended our Commissioned Global Summit in October.
- 61 students graduated from our two Tanzanian schools where 900 sponsored children are receiving a top-notch education.
- \$150K was given to build a new in-patient wing and other projects at a Yucatan missions hospital.
- \$250K was given to build a ministry center in Israel, and we expanded church partnerships in Wales and Egypt.
- Additional giving of \$2.4 million for missions and community outreach, combined with our missions operating budget, resulted in 27% of this year's contributions going to missions.