

# THIS WEEK AT MOUNTAIN VIEW

## CONNECT WITH US

Happy New Year! If you're new-ish, we want to welcome you and help you get connected here at Mountain View. We have something called **MVCC Connect** coming up **January 20th at 6PM**. It's a great opportunity to learn more about who we are, our history, and how you can get plugged in. Stop by the Connect Table today after the service to learn more or get signed up!

## SPRING CLASSES

Starting **January 27th**, our 10-week Tuesday night classes are kicking off! For those who are newer to MVCC, check out **Biblical Distinctives** to learn more about what we believe, while developing your own Biblical convictions. This class is also a prerequisite for membership at MVCC. For those looking to deepen their understanding of the Bible or grow as a leader, we also have **Gospel Story** and **MVCC Leadership DNA** to explore. Scan the QR code to sign up!



## LEGACY MINISTRY EVENTS

Legacy Ministry launched last year and has been an amazing opportunity for seniors in our church family to connect and serve together. Join us this week, **January 8th**, for our monthly Coffee Meetup at 9AM in the Living Room, and come to Game Day on **January 17th** at 2PM in The Box. No registration required—we hope to see you there! Email [legacy@mvcchurch.org](mailto:legacy@mvcchurch.org) with any questions.

## YOU'VE GOT MAIL!

Having trouble keeping track of upcoming events, volunteer needs, and prayer updates? Sometimes, us too! Subscribe to our bi-monthly eNews to be encouraged by what God is doing in our church family, stay up to date on events and classes, and discover all the ways you can get involved at MVCC. Scan the QR code and sign up to subscribe.



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Text "connect" to (970) 659-6619 or scan this QR code to **get plugged in** and **stay up-to-date** on upcoming events. Or visit our website, [mvcchurch.org](http://mvcchurch.org) to learn more!

## SET YOUR MIND ON THINGS ABOVE

*Colossians 3:1-4*

**Main Idea:** Setting our mind on things above is not passive — it's a daily, intentional partnership with God to guard, renew, and direct our thoughts toward Jesus.

### **New Identity and New Way to Live**

- With Christ being my very life, I have all of His resources to set my mind, thoughts, attention, and affections on things above

### **Battle in the Mind**

- Every moment of every day, whether we realize it or not, our thoughts are being shaped and formed by forces both seen and unseen

### **Transformation is the Goal**

- God transforms, but we participate and partner with Him

### **Prayer is the Foundation**

- Adopt a rhythm of prayer, worship, and gratitude throughout your day

### **Consideration**

- Paul is giving followers of Jesus an amazing challenge...set your mind on things above. Why? Because of these amazing truths he is writing about...you died with Christ, you have been raised with Christ, your life is hidden with Christ, and Christ is your very life! We have a new identity, a new way to live so of course we want to “set our mind on things above” because that is where true life really is!

### Discussion & Reflection Questions

- What stood out most to you from this sermon? Why?
- Have you considered that your mind is a battlefield where certain thoughts need to be confronted and surrendered to Christ?
- How can your new identity and way of life in Christ motivate you to set your mind on things above?
- What are you giving your thoughts and attention to that is forming your mind in an unhealthy way?
- What are ways to make these Biblical principles part of your daily rhythm and practice?
- What does “praying without ceasing” look like in your daily life?