

State of the Church Address – February 8, 2026
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Matthew 6:9–14 - Pray then like this: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.¹⁰ **Your kingdom come**, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread,¹² and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you,

When I say “**Thy kingdom come**”:

A. I am all in for Exalting the Kingdom’s King

1. As King, Jesus deserves our adoration - **Matthew 2:10–11** - *When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy.¹¹ And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.*

2. As King, Jesus deserves our attention - **Matthew 17:1–3 & 5** - *And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves.² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light.³ And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him...⁵ He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”*

3. As King, Jesus deserves our adherence - **Matthew 7:24–27** - *“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand.²⁷ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”*

B. I am all in for Embracing the Kingdom’s Values

1. The Greatest Character - **Matthew 5:13–16** - *“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.¹⁴ You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.¹⁵ Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house.¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.*

Matthew 5:48 - You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

2. The Greatest Commandment - **Matthew 22:36–40** - *“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?”³⁷ And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.³⁸ This is the great and first commandment.³⁹ And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”*

C. I am all in for Extending the Kingdom's Territory

1. Promise #1 – I will build my church wherever you are - **Matthew 16:13, 16-18** - *Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ...¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter; and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*

2. Promise #2 – I will be with you wherever you go - **Matthew 28:18-20** - *And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”*

So...What's it to me?

Matthew 6:33 - *But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*

Calvary Chapel SMART goals in 2026

1. Saturate the Mariners Harbor Neighborhood with prayer and the gospel by visitation and prayer weekly though out the months of March leading up to Easter and October leading up to our Friend Day.
2. Penetrate the Harbor Houses with a gospel witness through two home Bible Studies. One beginning right after Easter and one beginning in September.
3. Educate to the Calvary Congregation on the financial needs of the church and the necessity of consistent giving by the end of April 2026 using the 10am hour to do so.
4. Integrate 30 present attenders of Calvary to Membership and 30 Members to Ministry Teams Members and 10 Ministry Team Members to Leadership Team Members by September 30, 2026
5. Populate Calvary Community Center Team to formally begin the Calvary Community Center by August 31, 2026
6. Stimulate the under 35's in our church to be involved in the ministry of Calvary Chapel as Ministry Team Members and Ministry Team Leaders through group and individual mentoring throughout the rest of 2026.
7. Motivate the present Ministry Leaders of Calvary Chapel and future Ministry Leaders of Calvary Chapel to firm up and manage their teams using best ministry practices as taught in the Art of Leadership class by Pastor Dave Watson by March 3, 2026

