

Backsliding

Deut. 4:25-31

Dr. Robin D. Fisher—July 12, 2026

Theme: Losing your first love for Christ is a painful, perilous journey, but there is a way back!

1. See the _____ of backsliding. (v. 25)
 - a. Step one is a choice to _____. (v. 25a)
 - b. Step two is a choice to _____ an _____. (v. 25b)
 - c. Step three is a choice is to _____. (v. 25c)

2. See the _____ of backsliding. (vv. 26-28)
 - a. God-given _____ are forfeited. (v. 26)
 - b. God-given _____ is forfeited. (v. 27)
 - c. God-given _____ is forfeited. (v. 28)

3. See the _____ for backsliding. (v. 29-31)
 - a. Whole-hearted seeking brings a renewed _____. (v. 29)
 - b. Whole-hearted seeking brings a renewed _____. (v. 30)
 - c. Whole-hearted seeking brings a renewed _____. (v. 31)

Application Principles:

- A. If you're currently backsliding, you've got to admit where you are and how you got there.
- B. If you're currently backsliding, you've got to admit what you've forfeited.
- C. If you're currently backsliding, you've got to repent and seek Him with all you are—it won't be easy!
- D. If you're currently backsliding, you've got to believe that through Christ there's a way back!

Your Response: Verse 29 says "but from there." From your place of backsliding, *from there*, will you start the long, hard journey back to Christ this morning? Will you begin to seek Him with all your heart and all your soul?

Quarterly Church Conference

Wednesday, July 15 @ 6:30

To consider the 2026-2027
Nominating Report.

SABC Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, July 15

1:30-6:00

Small fellowship hall

Visit RedCrossBlood.org & enter:

Sunset Ave Baptist.

Contact Susan Leonard at
452-6003 with any questions.

Deacon Elections will be held on

Sunday, July 19

Next Steps Class

July 26, August 2, 9, & 16 at 9:15 in room 225 on the second floor of the children's building. This is a required class for anyone seeking church membership. The sign-up sheets will be by the organ & in the vestibule or you can call the church office. **The deadline to sign-up is July 22.**

Venezuela Relief Donations

Please consider supporting relief efforts for Venezuelans affected by two recent earthquakes. The websites below include homepage donation buttons for Venezuela Relief, and both organizations are 501(c)(3) tax-deductible.

www.samaritanspurse.org

(Franklin Graham)

www.sendrelief.org

(North American Mission Board)

DEEPER GROUPS

(SEPT. 20 - MAY)

SIGN-UP

Name _____

of Adults _____

of Children _____

Ages of Children:

Child 1 _____

Child 2 _____

Child 3 _____

Child 4 _____

Child 5 _____

Contact Info:

Phone _____

Email _____

ServeNC

August 1-August 8

After an abbreviated service today you can sign up for one or more of the projects we will be undertaking.

Some of the projects and ministries we will be involved with are:

- ◇ **Youth Car Wash**
- ◇ **Breckenridge Sing-a-Long**
- ◇ **Stone Gate Back to School Bash**
- ◇ **Peacemakers**
- ◇ **First Responders Meals**
- ◇ **Nash Correctional Staff Appreciation "Sweet Treat" & Prayer**
- ◇ **Kings Way Back to School Bash**

There will be no church activities on Wednesday, August 5.

Christmas in July

School Supply Donations for the Stone Gate & Kings Way

Ministries. Donations can be placed in the designated boxes located in the large fellowship hall.

Items needed are below:

- ◆ **Pencils & erasers**
- ◆ **Pencil boxes or bags**
- ◆ **Glue sticks**
- ◆ **Crayons, markers, & colored pencils**
- ◆ **Plastic folders**
- ◆ **Notebook paper**
- ◆ **Composition books**
- ◆ **Backpacks**
- ◆ **Binders**

This Week at Sunset

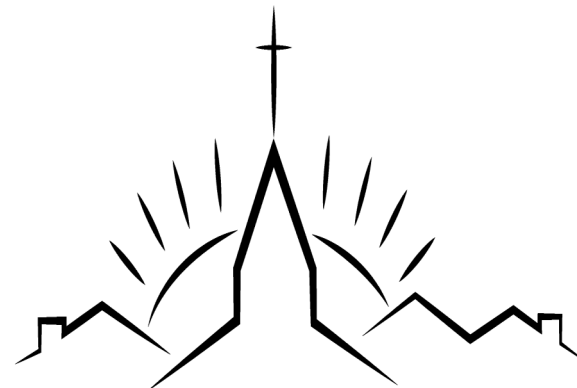
(July 12—July 18)

Sun	Sunday School	9:15 AM
	Morning Worship	10:30 AM
	Children's Church	10:30 AM
	Spanish Morning Worship	10:30 AM
Tues	NA	7:00 PM
Wed	Red Cross Blood Drive	1:30 PM
	Quarterly Church Conference	6:30 PM
Thur	Kings Way Bible Study	4:00 PM

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Sunset Avenue Baptist Church is to worship God, share the gospel of Jesus Christ, disciple believers, and minister to all people, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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