

## Weekly Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:45 AM Worship 10:45 AM Sun. Day/Evening Groups Wed Bible Study 7:00 PM

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## A Man of the Book

Let's take a break from our "Great Words in God's Word" bulletin series to remember a leader among us who loved God's word greatly! We bid farewell to our brother James Edward Knight (1926-2019) on March 30<sup>th</sup> with many tributes, including a reading of the beatitudes (Matthew 5:2-12). His life reflected Jesus' beatitudes well.

To refer to James as "a man of the book" in no way subtracts from his harrowing service to our country, his heartfelt love for his family, his practical skills as a fixer, his lifelong work ethic, his service as a shepherd, his love for Jesus' church, and much more. But it was the Bible that defined James' mission in life and shaped his faith. God's word kept James focused on the big picture without distracting him from the details. His down-to-earth love for people was inspired by the book as well his lifelong claim on the promise of heaven.

I knew James during the last seven years of his life of 93 years. That was enough to cultivate in me a gratitude for his life of service. James was driven by a desire to leave things better than he found them. That applied to the people he knew as well. And as a member of the church James loved so much, I am grateful that he left this church better than he found her. I see James as a significant factor in the joy and fulfillment I feel as a minister in this church family—a healthy family that James impacted for the good.

I saw manty reading materials on the table by James' favorite chair. I think he read every bulletin article I wrote. But the book closest to him was always the Bible. And it was that book that drove many of our conversations in his final years. James made it clear that the best way to live a full life in the real world is to be a man of the book.

Joel Solliday