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“In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God’s Word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness.” – Hebrews 5:12-13

Who did the writer of Hebrews address this to? Seminary students? Pastors attending a pastors’ conference? Professors at a staff meeting? Nope. Believers. EVERY believer. I’ve heard the criticisms. (Thankfully not very often.) “Fred, why don’t you save some of your sermons for seminary class? We’re just lay people!” Once we start making that distinction, once we start restricting the knowledge of this Bible that was written for everyone’s “training in righteousness” to smart people from seminary who live in ivory towers and write books, we’re in serious trouble.

Why do I say that? Put quite simply, God wants to be known. There’s nothing in His nature that requires Him to make Himself known, He could have kept Himself a secret and leave us completely unsatisfied, but He wants to fulfill our deepest longings that He hardwired into us by revealing Himself to His people. And no other revelation is as complete as His Scripture. Therefore, according to the writer of Hebrews, all of us are called to chew on more than just milk when it comes to Scripture’s teachings.

But then in the same passage, we see that not only are we called to know the Bible for ourselves so that we can know Him more and experience Him more, we are called to know it so we can teach it to others. “By this time, you ought to be teachers...”

“Fred, I can’t teach! I would rather have a root canal than teach a Bible study or do any other form of public speaking!” I get that, but do you have kids or grandkids? Coworkers? Neighbors? Anybody in your sphere of influence who needs to know this revelation of God? When their need for more knowledge of God and His ways arises, we’re called to have a better answer than, “Watch YouTube!” or “Ask my pastor!”

All of this is why we’re dedicating Sunday nights to *Teachers’ Bible School: Bible Theology and Practice* at 5:30 PM in the Activity Center. We’re addressing questions like “What is God Like?” “What Do We Know about the Trinity?” “What are all the ‘tions’ that God is working out in our lives: Justification, Adoption, Sanctification, Glorification?” “What can we learn about the End Times?” “Who Is This Holy Spirit?” Lots of questions and more that help us bite into some yummy steak instead of trying to be fully nourished with only milk. I’m praising God we have about 30 who have signed up, but there’s room for more! Want to join us? It would be great to see you there!

In His Grip,
Pastor Fred

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Food Box Distribution is on the
2nd and 4th Thursday.
This is a FREE service to anyone who
needs it - Sponsored by
The Most Excellent Way Bible Study.

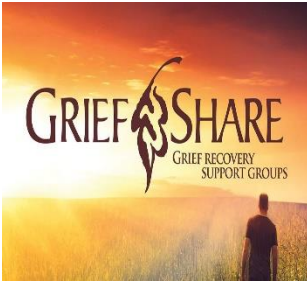


**Men's Prayer & Fellowship
Breakfast
Saturday, March 11th
8:00 AM
Activity Center**

**Senior Adult
Lunch/Potluck
Friday, March 17th
11:30 AM
Activity Center**



**Grief Share Support
Group**
will be starting Sunday,
February 12th, at 4PM in
Room 103A.
It will be a 13-week class.
Please contact Pastor Ted
for details.



ACTS (After Church Together Social) meal
activity that will begin the first Sunday in March.
This informal get together is designed to be held
every Sunday after church in the Activity Center.
Please bring your own lunch plus some to share.
Visitors' lunches will be provided. Please see any
of the deacons if you have any questions or need
more details.

**Thank you for your baby bottle
donations for The Hope Family
Center. We raised just over
\$1400.00!**

Sweet Mom's Afternoon
First Baptist Church Activity Center
411 N Warren Ave
March 4th 1-3PM
Hosted by Hope Family Center
Baby wipes donation accepted
RSVP: Kathy Patton (928) 386-1681
Childcare provided

Come to a **new Men's Bible Study** taught by
Dan Cole, Friday mornings at 10 AM in the
upstairs Prayer Room, 205B.

**SAVE THE DATES: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JULY 17-20 5:30-8:00 PM**

We will be traveling with Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach,
and Abednego to the land of Babylon!
Contact Kathy Didway for more details and if you
would like to volunteer.

Mark your calendar!!



- 03/01 6:00 PM Family Bible Connection
- 03/01 6:00 PM Evening Bible Study – Rm 103A
- 03/01 7:15 PM Youth Night
- 03/02 6:00 PM The Most Excellent Way
- 03/03 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study – Rm 205B
- 03/04 1:00 PM Sweet Mom's Afternoon – Act. Ctr.
- 03/05 12:00 PM ACTS – Activity Center
- 03/05 4:00 PM Grief Share Support Group – Rm 103A
- 03/05 5:30 PM TWICE FED – Activity Center
- 03/05 5:30 PM Teacher's Bible School – Activity Center
- 03/05 NO Youth University
- 03/06 6:00 PM Men's Potluck
- 03/06 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study
- 03/07 9:00 AM Men's Fellowship
- 03/07 9:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study & Fellowship
- 03/07 2:00 PM Hope Family Center
- 03/08 6:00 PM Family Bible Connection
- 03/08 6:00 PM Evening Bible Study – Rm 103A
- 03/08 7:15 PM Youth Night
- 03/09 3:00 pm Food Box Distribution
- 03/09 6:00 PM The Most Excellent Way
- 03/09 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting
- 03/10 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study – Rm 205B
- 03/11 8:00 AM Men's Prayer & Fellowship
Breakfast – Activity Center
- 03/12 12:00 PM ACTS – Activity Center
- 03/12 3:00 PM Deacons' Meeting
- 03/12 4:00 PM Grief Share Support Group
– Rm 103A
- 03/12 5:30 PM TWICE FED – Activity Center
- 03/12 5:30 PM Teacher's Bible School – Activity Center
- 03/12 6:00 PM Youth University
- 03/13 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study
- 03/14 9:00 AM Men's Fellowship
- 03/14 9:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study & Fellowship
- 03/14 2:00 PM Hope Family Center
- 03/15 6:00 PM Family Bible Connection
- 03/15 6:00 PM Evening Bible Study – Rm 103A
- 03/15 7:15 PM Youth Night
- 03/16 6:00 PM The Most Excellent Way
- 03/17 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study – Rm 205B
- 03/17 11:30 AM Senior Adult Potluck/Luncheon
– Activity Center
- 03/19 12:00 PM ACTS – Activity Center
- 03/19 4:00 PM Grief Share Support Group
– Rm 103A
- 03/19 5:30 PM TWICE FED – Activity Center
- 03/19 5:30 PM Teacher's Bible School – Activity Center
- 03/19 6:00 PM Youth University
- 03/20-03/24 Spring Break – No School WUSD
- 03/20 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study
- 03/21 9:00 AM Men's Fellowship
- 03/21 9:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study & Fellowship
- 03/21 2:00 PM Hope Family Center
- 03/22 No Family Bible Connection
- 03/22 6:00 PM Evening Bible Study – Rm 103A
- 03/22 No Youth Night
- 03/23 3:00 pm Food Box Distribution
- 03/23 6:00 PM The Most Excellent Way
- 03/24 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study – Rm 205B
- 03/26 12:00 PM ACTS – Activity Center
- 03/26 4:00 PM Grief Share Support Group
– Rm 103A
- 03/26 5:30 PM TWICE FED – Activity Center
- 03/26 5:30 PM Teacher's Bible School – Activity Center
- 03/26 6:00 PM Youth University
- 03/27 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study
- 03/28 9:00 AM Men's Fellowship
- 03/28 9:30 AM Ladies' Bible Study & Fellowship
- 03/28 2:00 PM Hope Family Center
- 03/29 6:00 PM Family Bible Connection
- 03/29 6:00 PM Evening Bible Study – Rm 103A
- 03/29 7:15 PM Youth Night
- 03/30 6:00 PM The Most Excellent Way
- 03/31 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study – Rm 205B