

Block #1 (June 10, 17, & 24)

Teacher: Andy Montgomery
Location: Auditorium
Course: Choosing Joy

Description: A tight-knit friendship, an unbreakable bond, wonderful leaders, faithful followers, deceptive enemies, unbelievable trials, a giving church, a pagan city, a powerful Gospel, and a humble Savior...this is Paul's letter to the Philippians. As Paul wrote this letter, he taught the Philippians how to choose joy in all phases of life. Together, we'll highlight four portions of this book that teach us how to "Choose Joy."

Teacher: Jim Tice
Location: Taylor Chapel
Course: The Prodigal Son

Description: Everyone loves a good story, and there is none better than Jesus' parable of the Prodigal Son. Charles Dickens, the prolific Victorian era writer, called it "the greatest short story ever written." Yet, despite its popularity and familiarity, many have never plumbed the depths of this powerful illustration. Join us as we discover afresh the true message of Jesus' teaching in Luke 15.

Teacher: Tom Coffman
Location: Colonial Room
Course: The Message of Malachi

Description: Do you ever sense that your worship of God is void of the sincerity and honesty needed? Among other things, the book of Malachi addresses the themes of hypocritical formalism and wrongful attitudes when it comes to our worship. Too often we carry out our Christianity lacking the miraculous evidence of God's presence in our lives, leaving our attempts at worship hollow and empty. We invite you to join us as we explore God's last message to His people before 400 years of silence is broken in the time of Christ. Together we will discover how our hearts can reflect that of Malachi's even today.

Teacher: Larry McMillan
Location: A-13
Course: Song of Solomon – Love Wins

Description: Through the centuries, the Song of Solomon has suffered from convoluted, contradictory, and even bizarre interpretations. Perhaps worst of all, in our contemporary Christian culture, it has suffered from neglect. This class will take a hard-headed, historical approach to the book, hopefully dusting it off, clearing away the barnacles, and revealing a powerful, timeless story – the true, if poetically told, story of a poor farm girl faced with a real choice between becoming the consort of a fabulously wealthy king or the bride of an unpretentious shepherd. What will she decide? And why?

Block #2 (July 1, 8, 15, & 22)

Teacher: Ben Hicks
Location: Auditorium
Course: Loving God with All Your Smartphone: The Pitfalls and Possibilities of Technology

Description: Thirty years ago the internet had not been invented and cell phones cost thousands of dollars. Today, cell phones are considered almost a "necessity" with over half of Americans owning a smartphone giving them 24/7 access to the internet, and that number is rising. Technology has exploded and typically led to two reactions: total embrace of everything digital or a complete shunning of that which is strange and new. This study will examine how technology has impacted us, and how it can be a help to our spiritual walk, rather than a hindrance. Join us as we learn how to redeem the medium of technology.

Teacher: Ladies Class
Course: Guilt-Free Living
Location: Taylor Chapel

Description: Is guilt good or bad? The Bible says, "For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death" (2 Corinthians 7:10). Guilt is a kind of spiritual cholesterol. When examining our spiritual cholesterol (or guilt) level, there is good and there is bad guilt. In this course we will work to biblically discover the difference between good and bad guilt. With a proper understanding of this subject, we will seek to lower our bad guilt while using our good guilt to protect our heart and keep us moving in the right direction.

Teacher: Brandon Hamilton
Location: Colonial Room
Course: Questions Teens Are Asking

Description: We live in a confusing world where many teenagers are looking for hope and answers. Youth E.D.G.E. desires to point young people to the hope-filled answers of the Bible. Second Peter 1:3 reminds us that God has "given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness." If you are a parent of a teen, join Pastor Brandon as he shares some unexpected questions that teens are asking. The youth pastor's role is to partner with parents to purposefully direct young people to the answers that God's Word promises and provides.

Teacher: Frank Turpin
Location: A-13
Course: O Man, Who Art Thou?

Description: There is much emphasis today on discovering our ancestral roots. Several companies offer DNA testing that can trace your family tree back many generations. In this course we will take an in depth look at the real roots of mankind, beginning with God's creation of man. Building on that biblical knowledge we will discover what it means to be created in God's image and God's purposeful distinction in design of men and women. We will also examine the themes of the mankind's fall, redemption, and ultimate accountability before God. Join us as we trace our ancestral roots back to the Garden and answer the question of the Psalmist "what is man that thou art mindful of him?" (Ps. 8:4).

Block #3 (July 29, August 5, & 12)

Teacher: Matt Barfield

Location: Auditorium

Course: Personalizing the Great Commission

Description: While the term “missions” has a sweeping and almost impersonal tone to it, the Great Commission is about individuals. Individuals who bear the Good News, individuals from every nation who receive it, and the one, personal God who orchestrates it all for His glory. Join us as we demystify missions and make it personal.

Teacher: Daniel Coffman

Location: Taylor Chapel

Course: Roma Invicta: Backdrop of the New Testament

Description: Rome unconquered! 2000 years ago, the world was dominated by the Roman Empire. The Roman emperors ruled from Spain to Syria. The contributions of Roman cultural and magnificent architectural achievements can still be seen today. But what was their reaction to the rise of Christianity? How did God use the Romans to accomplish his will? Why did the Romans persecute Christianity so harshly and then suddenly become its protectors? In this class, we will be examining the rise of the Roman Empire, its relationship to Israel, and how Christianity developed within the Empire, both during and after the New Testament.

Teacher: Jim Rankin

Location: Colonial Room

Course: Old Testament Glue

Description: When Paul said that “All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine” (teaching) he was referring to the Old Testament. Among many other teachings, the Old Testament displays the Person of God through a basic understanding of His majesty, power, holiness, and sovereignty. However, the Old Testament is not presented as a set of instructions, but rather as the historical account of God’s interactions with His people. The glue that holds all 39 books together is history. History in the Old Testament is contained in only a dozen of the books, but that history is where God Himself interacts with His people. My hope is that an understanding of this history will drive you to wear out the beginning section of your Bible!

Teachers: Pastoral Interns

Location: A-13

Course: The Christian and His Conscience

Description: What is your conscience? How do you know if your conscience is calibrated correctly? Who is a weaker brother and how do you treat him? What do you do when your conscience disagrees with a fellow believer? An exploration of New Testament passages on this topic answers these tough questions. The Christian’s conscience is a gift from God, and understanding and correctly calibrating your conscience under Jesus Christ leads to the freedom of a clear conscience and loving interactions with believers that hold different convictions.

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