

## WELCOME

We're glad you've joined us this morning! Things are a little unusual right now, but feel free to check things out and decide whether we might be a good match for your spiritual needs. You set the pace for your involvement at Grace Church — here's some helpful information to get you started!

## KIDS AND FAMILIES

We offer childcare for nursery-aged kids (during both services) and classes for Pre-K through 3rd grade (during the 10:45 service). **Both are available by pre-registration only** due to capacity limits. If you're visiting today, though, please inquire at the check-in table about remaining space that may be available for your children!

## FAQS

**Where do I learn more about Grace Church?** For the best answers to questions you may have while you're here, look for one of our team members with a nametag. For details about our story, beliefs, staff, and campus, pick up a white *Guide to Grace Church* at the welcome desk or near any exit.

**How do I become a member of Grace Church?** We do not have a formal system of membership. If you consider this your church home and participate regularly with us, you're part of our family! If you want to be sure you're on our contact list, simply sign up to attend any class or event (or contact the church office directly).

**How do I give to support Grace Church?** We believe financial giving is a form of individual worship to be done freely and joyously as led by the Lord. You can place your gifts in the secure offering boxes mounted near most exits or give electronically online at any time via our website.

**What was the name of that song we sang this morning?** You can find and hear the songs we sing each week by using the Spotify music app (or Spotify.com) and searching for *Grace Church – Sunday Playlist*. You can also search for *Grace Church – Song Library* to hear the complete collection of songs we use on a regular basis.

## FAMILY MATTERS

Please pray for Bill and Jana Maroney as they grieve the passing of his mother.

## INFORMATION

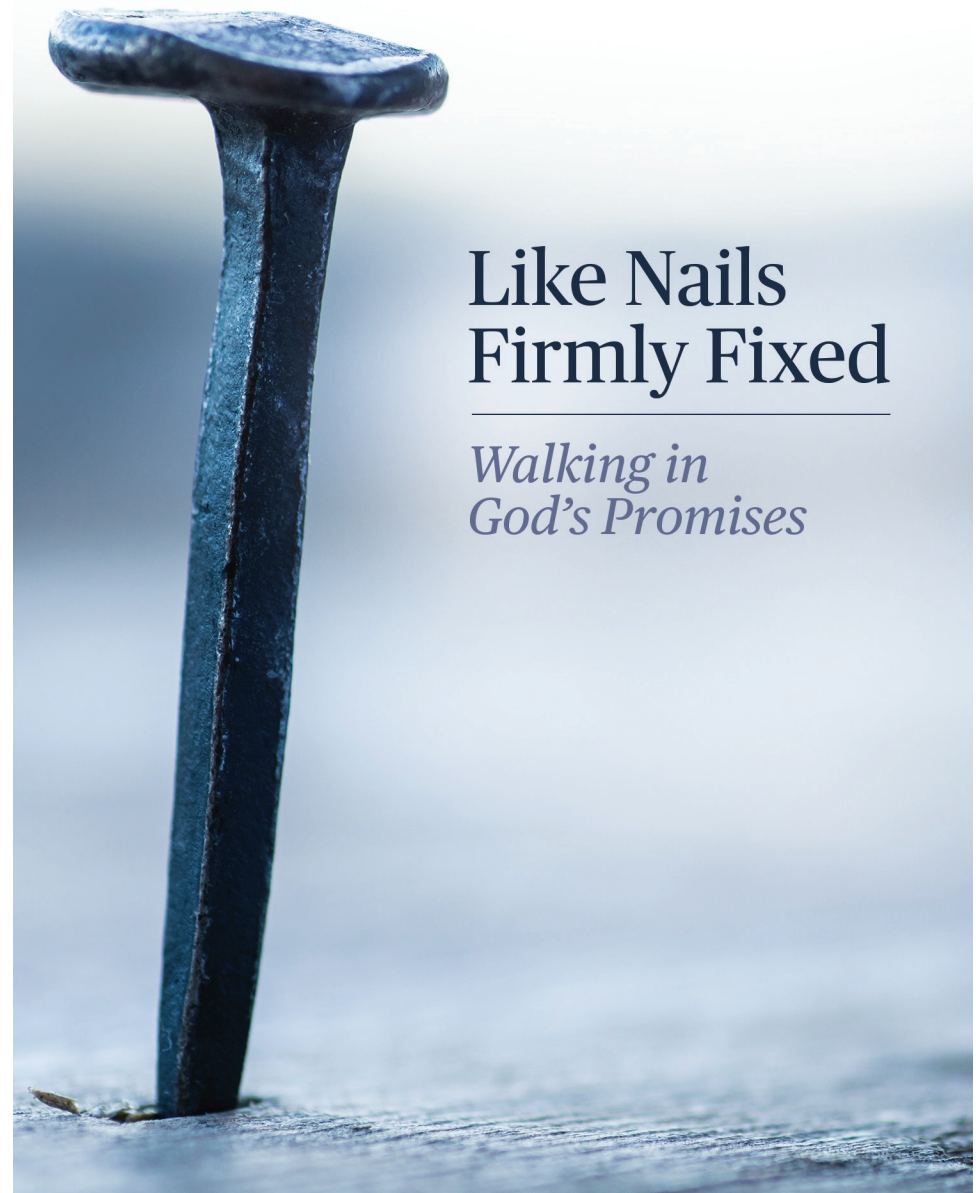
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# Like Nails Firmly Fixed

## *Walking in God's Promises*


## Lesson 6: The Promise of Courage

Reggie Coe, Senior Adults & Marriage Pastor


- I. **The Promise:** we need courage because when our original parents sinned, fear became a core motivation of the fallen human heart.
  - A. Courage defined: “mental or moral strength to venture, persevere, and withstand danger, fear, or difficulty” —*Merriam Webster*.
  - B. Courage in the Hebrew means “to show oneself strong” —*ISBE*.
  - C. God’s promise to Israel and to the believer today is that He will be with us and provide us with the courage we need to face whatever comes our way—Deuteronomy 31:6; Hebrews 13:5–6.
  - D. The opposite of courage is fear, which is the first emotion expressed after Adam and Eve sinned—Genesis 3:8–10.
  - E. The motivation of the fallen heart is fear, which the Lord addresses with many individuals in Scripture:
 


Abram— Genesis 15:1–6  
 Hagar— Genesis 21:17–18  
 Jacob— Genesis 46:3–4  
 Moses— Exodus 3:11–12  
 Joshua— Joshua 1:6–9
- II. **The Elements of the Promise:** the promise of God’s presence provides courage for us in our most trying times.
  - A. The Lord enlightens us and saves us so we can have courage—Psalm 27:1.
  - B. The Lord loves us with perfect love so we have no need to fear—1 John 4:18–19.
  - C. His promise to never leave us nor forsake us gives us the courage to face whatever comes—Hebrews 13:5b–6.
  - D. In facing crisis or having people threaten us, the Lord’s presence can stabilize us with courage—Deuteronomy 31:6–8.
- III. **Walking in the Promise:** we move from fear to courage as we...
  - A. admit to the Lord, and to a close friend, the reality of our fears—Philippians 4:6–7; James 5:16.
  - B. embrace the truth of the Lord’s unconditional love and His continual presence for each of His children—1 John 4:9–10; John 10:27–30.
  - C. trust Him to face whatever we fear—Psalm 115:9–11; Proverbs 3:5–6.

## MY NOTES

 WHO I SAW AT CHURCH: \_\_\_\_\_

 MY FAVORITE SONG: \_\_\_\_\_

 BIBLE VERSES WE READ: \_\_\_\_\_

SOMETHING I LEARNED: 

QUESTIONS I HAVE: 

A DRAWING ABOUT WHAT I HEARD: 