Sunday Morning



Information

We're glad you've joined us this morning. In our two worship services at 9:00 and 10:30 AM, we're just getting started with a study of what means to be a disciple of Jesus. If you want to hear last week's introduction, you can find it online at gracechurch.com.

If you'd like to spend some additional time studying the Bible and interacting with others, check out an Adult Bible Fellowship! They meet upstairs at 9:00 or 10:30 AM and offer a variety of topics and conversations for all ages—you're welcome to join in at any time.

To connect with others at a deeper level, consider a K-Group. These small groups meet in various homes throughout the city on alternating Sunday nights and can be a great way to form lasting relationships with others in our church family. Contact Nolen Smith at the church office if you'd like to get involved.

Inside this weekly newsletter, you'll find a complete schedule of other activities and studies happening this week. These offer indepth training on biblical issues, theological topics, and practical matters. For a complete listing of what's available this semester, pick up a copy of the *Fall Guide to Grace Church* at any entrance.

If you have any questions, please visit with the Welcome Team in the Main Hall this morning. You can also call or e-mail the church office at any time.

Again, we're glad you're here!



Join us after the second service today as we celebrate believers who will publicly profess their faith in Jesus Christ and be baptized. **12:00 PM in the Main Hall**

ONE WAY TO SERVE

Junior High Leaders

If you enjoy reaching kids and teaching them about Jesus Christ, we need your help! We are currently needing leaders for our Junior High program which meets on Wednesday nights.

If you are interested in serving our church family in this way, please contact George Castro at 940-692-4251 or george@gracechurch.com.

This Week at Grace

♣: Childcare provided
 ➡: Online registration available
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Churchwide

Worship Services &

Sunday, 9:00–10:15 AM or 10:30–11:45 AM in the Gymnatorium

Bible Fellowships &

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Children

Kids Quest 🗸

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in the Children's Ministry Area

This program for children ages 4–4th grade helps them build a Biblical world view through various activities.

5th & 6th Grade

Breakaway

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in the Loft

5th & 6th graders meet with friends for worship music and a small group study of the New Testament.

Junior High

Junior High Youth

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM at The G.Y.M.

Students meet for fun activities, student-led worship music, and a study of the Bible in a small group setting.

Faith Mission & Drive-in Movie Night

Friday, 7:00-10:30 PM at The G.Y.M.

Join us as we go and serve the people of Faith Mission, then stay late for an awesome outdoor movie with friends!

Senior High

Senior High Youth

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM at The G.Y.M.

Students meet for fun activities, student-led worship music, and a study of the book of Galatians: *Faith* > *Law*.

College

Late Night & Late Night Hangout

Thursday, 7:00–10:00 PM at The G.Y.M.

Come together for live worship music and this semester's large group study of the prophetic timeline.

Adults

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Sunday, 9:00-10:15 AM in Room 210

Learn more about the building blocks of our church and the process of discipleship in this three–part class

Worship-based Prayer

Wednesday, 8:00–9:00 AM in the Dining Room

Start your day with this mid-week time of worship, singing, Scripture, and prayer.

Caring Graciously for the Aging 🗸 🕹

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in the Mesquite Room

This series is designed to equip caregivers with tools to navigate through medical, legal, and financial issues.

The Book of Genesis 🔊 🕹

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in the Tejas Room

The study based on the Torah readings from Genesis covers the biblical journey from creation to completion.

Financial Peace University 3 & \$

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in Room 208

Learn God's way of handling money through video sessions and small group activities.

Men

33: The Series 🔊

Tuesday, 6:30-7:30 AM or 7:00-8:00 PM in the Loft

Recognize the obstacles and tensions that men can experience at work in this small group study.

Samson Society

Thursday, 7:00–8:30 PM in the Library

Ongoing fellowship for men who are serious about authenticity, community, humility, and restoration.

Men's Bible Study 🔊

Friday, 6:30–7:30 AM in the Tejas Room

Tom Rodgers leads this study "to discover the character of God" from the 12 minor prophets of Hebrew Scripture.

Women

Engage 🗸 🕹

Monday, 6:30-8:00 PM in Room 208

Connect with others, God, and the world through *Mercy Came Running*, a study of God's mercy that pursues us.

Beth Moore Video Study 🗸 🕹

Tuesday, 10:00–11:30 AM or 6:30–8:00 PM in the Tejas Room

Children of the Day is a study of God's impeccable timing based on Paul's letter to the Thessalonians.

Respectfully Yours 3 &

Tuesday, 10:00-11:30 AM or 6:30-8:00 PM in Room 209

We know that love best motivates a woman, but what motivates a man? Find out in this 9-week video study.

MOMs Book Study 3 &

Thursday, 10:00–11:30 AM in the Tejas Room

Grace-Based Parenting by Dr. Tim Kimmel offers a refreshing look at parenting (where rules and checklists don't work).

Senior Adults

Tuesday Bible Study

Tuesday, 1:00–2:00 PM in the Dining Room

Brandon Carpenter leads this weekly study of Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians.

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Lesson 2: The First Mark—A Supreme and Incomparable Love for Jesus Christ

Reggie Coe, Family Pastor

- **I.** A prerequisite for loving Christ: We must first receive the love He has for us in order for us to be able to love Him in return—1 John 4:9–10.
 - A. The highest expression of His love for us lies in the giving of His life for us that we might live in Him—1 John 4:9.
 - **B.** The only way we love Him in return is by first receiving His Son as our Savior because He satisfied God's righteous demands on our behalf—1 John 4:10.
 - **C.** The nature of His love for us is unconditional, which means He loves us in spite of our worst sins or failures.
- II. Loving Christ: Once we receive the Son of His love as our Savior, He calls us to love Him with a love that is incomparable.
 - **A.** In order to grow in the path of discipleship, we must love Christ more than we love any other person—*Matthew 10:37–39.*
 - **B.** Our choice to love Christ supremely means that we hate (choose to not love supremely) others, including ourselves—*Luke 14:26–27*.
 - **C.** In order to grow as His disciples, we must love Him more than anything else in this world including our possessions, positions, and preferences—*Matthew 19:21–22; 6:24*.
- **III.** A prerequisite to obedience and service: Before obedience and before service, God calls us to love Him and then to love others—*Matthew 22:34–40.*
 - **A.** Our highest calling rests in loving God with all that is in us—*Matthew 22:34–38*.
 - **B.** As we love Him with all of our hearts, He directs our focus to loving others—*Matthew 22:39–40*.
- **IV.** Obedience and service: We demonstrate our love for Him by responding to His love for us in loving ways— *John 14:15, 24; 21:15–17; 1 John 4:7, 11; John 13:34–35.*
 - **A.** Our love for Him will show in our obedience to Him—*John 14:15, 24.*
 - **B.** Our love for Him will show in joining Him in what He is doing in this world—John 21:15–17.
 - C. Our love for Him will show in how we relate to one another in love and grace—1 John 4:7, 11; John 13:34–35.

What's Next











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