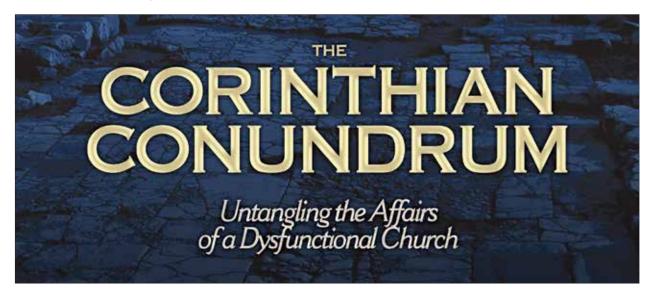
# **Sunday Morning**



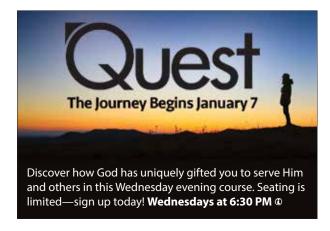
#### **Spring 2015 Schedule Begins This Week**

Many of our studies and activities are beginning or resuming this week! You can find a complete list of opportunities in the Spring 2015 Guide to Grace Church. This morning, you have a chance to meet the leaders of these ministries in the Main Hall after the service. We hope you'll stay for a few minutes and chat with them as you consider what might be a good fit for you and your family this semester!

#### **Family Matters**

Congratulations to Anna and Pete Phillips on the birth of their daughter Naomi Grace.







Parenting in the Digital Age

Available January 7.

Learn how to navigate the cultural and technological issues surrounding children in today's world of connected devices. **Wednesdays at 6:30 PM** © **3** 

### This Week

#### Churchwide

#### **Worship Services** &

Sunday, 9:00-10:15 AM or 10:30-11:45 AM

#### Bible Fellowships &

Sunday, 9:00-10:15 AM or 10:30-11:45 AM

#### **Care Ministry**

#### GriefShare &

Sunday, 9:00-10: 30 AM in the Library

If you have experienced the loss of a loved one, don't go through your pain alone.

#### **Adult Studies**

#### Parenting in the Digital Age 3 &

Wednesday, 6:30–8:00 PM in Room 209

Learn how to navigate the cultural and technological issues surrounding children in today's digital society.

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Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in Room 204

Discover how God has uniquely gifted you to serve Him and others by developing a life map and personal mission statement.

#### The Book of Genesis ## &

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

This ongoing study of the book of Genesis covers the biblical journey from creation to completion.

#### Men

#### Samson Society

Thursday, 7:00-8:30 PM in the Library

Join in at any time with this ongoing fellowship of men who are serious about authenticity, community, humility, and restoration.

#### Friday Men's Study

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

Finish strong with a great men's Bible study at the end of your week. Outside preparation is required.

#### **Senior Adults**

#### **Tuesday Bible Study**

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

Brandon Carpenter leads this weekly study of the book of Romans.

#### **Community Outreach**

#### **Disaster Response Training**

Thursday, 6:30-8:30 PM in Room 209

Come learn about the tools and preparation needed to help restore normalcy to our community in the aftermath of a local disaster.

#### 5th & 6th Grade

#### Breakaway

Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in the Loft

Students gather to laugh, play, and sing together before an interactive Bible study and small group conversations.

≗ : Childcare provided

: Online registration available **\$**: Payment required

#### **Junior High**

#### Junior High Youth

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

Students meet for fun activities, worship music, and small group Bible study.

#### **Senior High**

#### Senior High Youth

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

Students meet for fun activities, worship music, and a study of *Pilgrim's Progress*, the classic Christian allegory.

#### Children

#### **Kids Quest**

Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 PM

Our mid-week program for children age 4–4th grade helps them build a biblical worldview through various activities.



two-hour training session. January 8 at 6:30 PM © 🗟

#### THE CORINTHIAN CONUNDRUM

#### **Lesson 1: Connecting with the Corinthian Church** (1 Corinthians 1:1–9)

Tom Rodgers, Lead Pastor

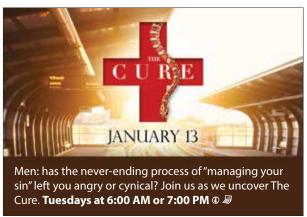
- **I.** The apostle's greeting: Paul approached the Corinthian believers by appealing to their position in the Body of Jesus Christ—1 Corinthians 1:1–3.
  - **A.** Paul introduced himself as one who had been chosen for his apostolic position by God Himself (cp. Acts 9:15)—

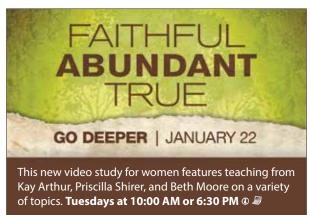
    1 Corinthians 1:1a.
  - **B.** The apostle presented Sosthenes as their spiritual brother and his associate, who was likely the former leader of the synagogue in Corinth (cp. Acts 18:17)—1 Corinthians 1:1b.
  - **C.** Paul approached the Corinthian believers on the basis of their position in the Body of Christ—1 Corinthians 1:2.
  - **D.** The apostle extended a prayer-based blessing that God would develop a healthy and stable mindset in the Corinthian church by dealing with their dysfunctionality—1 Corinthians 1:3.
- II. The apostle's gratitude: Paul verbalized his gratitude for the Corinthians, because of the effect of the outpouring God's grace had on his readers—1 Corinthians 1:4–7.
  - **A.** Paul's gratitude for the Corinthian believers was prompted by the many ways that the Lord had displayed His grace to them—1 Corinthians 1:4.
  - **B.** He was grateful that God had graciously provided them with an abundance of teachers ("utterance") and doctrinal information ("knowledge")—1 *Corinthians 1:5*.
  - **C.** Paul was also thankful that his ministry to his readers had been validated by the sign gifts of the Holy Spirit (Hebrews 2:3–4; 2 Corinthians 12:12)—1 Corinthians 1:6.
  - **D.** He was deeply grateful that the Lord had graciously endowed the Corinthian church with every available spiritual gift (Gr. *charisma* = a divine enablement for ministry)—1 Corinthians 1:7a.
  - **E.** The apostle was grateful that God had given his readers every possible resource to be able to live faithfully while they waited to see the Savior face-to-face—1 Corinthians 1:7b.
- **III.** The apostle's assurance: Paul assured the Corinthians that the Lord Jesus would sustain them in an unimpeachable ("blameless") position before Him for the rest of their lives—1 Corinthians 1:8.
- **IV.** The apostle's reminder: The apostle reminded his readers that God faithfully sustains all those whom He had wooed into communion with His Son—1 Corinthians 1:9.

### What's Next











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