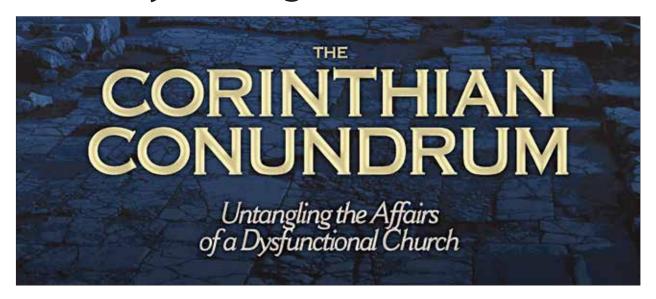
# **Sunday Morning**



#### **Passover Seder Dinner**

Jesus and His disciples celebrated the Passover throughout their lives. Following that same pattern, we will observe the traditional meal with lamb—but from a decidedly Christian point of view.

Since the celebration will last approximately three hours, with a significant portion devoted to teaching, attendance is limited to those of junior high age and up. Men will be required to wear a *yarmulke*, which we will provide.

Registration begins in the Main Hall this morning. Please be sure to sign up if you plan to attend. Childcare is provided for infants only, with reservation required at sign-up.

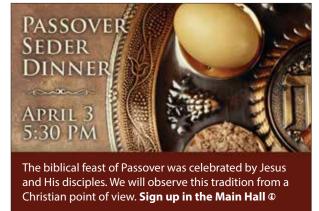
# **Jamaica Deaf Village Trip**

The Jamaican environment provides a team-building experience like no other. You can get all the details or sign up at our table in the Main Hall this morning. Contact **leah@gracechurch.com** for more information. Registration is closing soon!

# **Family Matters**

Please pray for Ann Adams as she grieves the passing of her son.

Congratulations to Danielle and Craig Henderson on the birth of their daughter Norah Elizabeth.





# This Week

: Childcare provided
 : Online registration available
 : Payment required

### 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

## **Small Groups**

#### Ladies' K-Group &

Sunday, 5:30-7:30 PM in The Loft

This small group of women meets on alternating weeks. E-mail Jean Payne at jpayne6723@gmail.com for details.

### **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.

# 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.

# Senior High

#### **Faith Mission Night**

Friday, 5:30-11:00 PM at The G.Y.M.

Join us as we serve the people of Faith Mission together. We will meet (and return) at the G.Y.M.

# **Community Updates**

### **Habitat for Humanity Women's Build Conference**

March 21, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM in the Gymnatorium

Grace Church is hosting this community-wide event for women who would like to be involved in Habitat for Humanity's efforts to provide affordable housing to those in need. Contact Chris de la Garza at 940-716-9300 or vol-habitat@wf.net.

#### THE CORINTHIAN CONUNDRUM

#### **Lesson 11: Celibacy or Marriage?** (1 Corinthians 7:1–9)

Tom Rodgers, Lead Pastor

- **I.** The commendability of celibacy: There is something commendable about a person who abstains from marriage and sexual relations—1 Corinthians 7:1.
- **II.** The practicality of marriage: Marriage is divinely designed in order to provide sexual satisfaction for husbands and wives—1 Corinthians 7:2–5.
  - **A.** Marriage as an antidote: Marriage is not only a divine institution, but a practical antidote against our innate susceptibility to illicit sexual behavior—1 Corinthians 7:2.
  - **B.** Marriage as a provision: Marriage was designed by God in such a way that spouses are responsible to provide sexual fulfillment to their mate—1 Corinthians 7:3.
  - **C.** Marriage as a surrender: Marriage includes a mutual transfer of the authority of our bodies and their sexual needs to our spouse—1 Corinthians 7:4.
  - **D.** Marriage as a treasure: Physical intimacy is to be made a normal part of the marriage relationship, except in a rare case when it would be mutually suspended for a higher spiritual priority of limited duration—1 Corinthians 7:5.
- **III.** The recognition of giftedness: Paul counseled his single readers to follow his lead in trying to live a celibate life as a crucial step in discovering their God-given gift of pursuing marriage or remaining single—1 Corinthians 7:6–9.
  - **A.** Marriage as an option: The choice to pursue marriage is a very practical option, but it is never mandatory—
    1 Corinthians 7:6.
  - **B.** Marriage as a gift: In spite of the apostle's personal decision to embrace celibacy, he encouraged individuals to act on their God-given gift of pursuing either celibacy or marriage—1 Corinthians 7:7.

С.	pursue marriage if they become discontent with celibacy—1 Corinthians 7:8–9.

# What's Next







# **Community News**

#### **Community Impact Team report**

The Grace Church Community Impact Team oversees our support of other ministries in the Wichita Falls area. We are glad to stand alongside these organizations as they meet the needs of others.

We recently provided financial support to The Kitchen, an organization in our community which provides over 800 meals daily to senior citizens who live in poverty. Learn more at thekitchenwf.org.



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