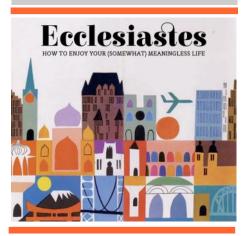


I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES.

JOHN 15:5

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We exist to ignite
a passion in every
person to glorify and
enjoy God everywhere
and in everything.



SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE 10:30am

"God is Smiling at You! (So, Smile, You Silly Goose!)" Ecclesiastes 9:1-18 Pastor Benji

https://youtube.com/live/acJGpOSFrDM



The Father Himself Loves You

* The church staff is currently going through the "Gentle and Lowly" study in our staff meetings, and we will include quotes from the book here each week.

"Whoever has seen me has seen the Father..." John 14:9

Elsewhere the New Testament calls Christ "the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature" (Heb. 1:3). Jesus is the embodiment of who God is. He is the tangible epitomization of God. Jesus Christ is the visible manifestation of the invisible God (2 Cor. 4:4, 6). In him we see heaven's eternal heart walking around on two legs in time and space. When we see the heart of Christ, then, throughout the four Gospels, we are seeing the very compassion and tenderness of who God himself most deeply is.

As you consider the Father's heart for you, remember that he is the Father of mercies. He is not cautious in his tenderness toward you. He multiplies mercies matched to your every need, and there is nothing he would rather do. "Remember," said the Puritan John Flavel, "that this God in whose hand are all creatures, is your Father, and is much more tender of you than you are, or can be, of yourself." Your gentlest treatment of yourself is less gentle than the way your heavenly Father handles you. His tenderness toward you outstrips what you are even capable of toward yourself.

The heart of Christ is gentle and lowly. And that is the perfect picture of who the Father is. "The Father himself loves you" (John 16:27). (p. 133)

- Dane Ortlund



CHRISTMAS IN THE FALL

GIVING A LITTLE EXTRA TO OUR GLOBAL WORKERS



Donate Online



Please consider giving a special offering to the fund, and we will send a financial gift to each of them in December. There is a gift box on the Global Outreach table in which you may drop your gift. Checks should be written out to Grace Baptist Church. Or you may give online through our church's website or app - Fund: Christmas in Fall.

Stop by our "Thankful Tree" near the Grace Café and share what you're thankful for. Read others' thankfulness and be encouraged.

Announcements







KICKBACK 2025

Junior High and High School (7th-12th Grades) @ Lopez Canyon Conference Grounds

Oct 31 – Nov 2 (Bonus Day Oct 30 – Oct 31)

Cost: \$200 Fri – Sun (3 Day) \$75 Thu – Fri (Bonus Day) \$250 Thu – Sun (4 Day)



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, Nov. 22nd @ 8am.

Men of Grace are invited for breakfast and a time of fellowship. Our guest speaker is Christopher Williams, the Chief of Police, Santa Maria

Cost is \$4

Sign ups at the table near Grace Café



November 2nd Saturday Night, Set your clocks back 1 hour