



'Bled Scripture'

When Charles Spurgeon described John Bunyan, the great Puritan preacher, he said, "If you cut him (John Bunyan) he bled the Scriptures." Spurgeon goes on to say that Bunyan could not speak without using Scripture. Bunyan reminds me of Ezra in the Old Testament: "For Ezra had set his heart to study the law of the Lord and to practice it, and to teach His statutes and ordinances in Israel." (Ezra 5:10)

The spirit of Bunyan, Spurgeon and Ezra animates Village Schools of the Bible. We live to teach God's Word and watch how the Word of God transforms lives. We thank you for your partnership in reaching our mission.

New Website

Our new website will be launched by March 7. It is cleaner. It makes using our website simple and easy. It also features our core commitment to Cover-to-Cover Bible Survey. You will find both our in-class offering as well as our online classes.

We hope to reach around the world through our website. We hope to disciple the nations through Cover-to-Cover Bible Survey online.

Social Media

One avenue for getting the word out is social media. We have a year long plan to reach all ages in the Twin Cities and around the world. Look for us on Facebook and be sure to "Like" and "Share" with your Facebook friends.

Take Cover-to-Cover Online!

We are excited! Our online Cover-to-Cover Bible Survey is up and running. Would you join us?

New sessions of both the Old and New Testament courses started February 29. The next sessions are scheduled for late August.

Click and register at villageschoolsofthebible.org/classes/cover-to-cover-online

Minda, an online participant, in our pilot course, said *"I love the Old Testament class, it is challenging and God has taught me so many things through this study. I cannot wait for the New Testament class!"*

Needs at Village Schools of the Bible

Your prayer and financial support is deeply appreciated. Our current needs:

- **Teachers** for our in-class offerings.
- **Mentors** for our online classes.
- **Finances.** If you are already a financial partner, thank you. Our current need is \$100,000 over and above our normal giving for 2016. This will help us reach our five year goals.

Pray for us and thank you for your faithfulness to Village Schools of the Bible.

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Fall Class Schedule

We are lining up a full slate of Old Testament classes for the fall. These will be finalized in the coming weeks and will be posted on our website.

Classes start the week of August 21.

Classes are confirmed at

- Berean Baptist, Burnsville
- Bethel Baptist, Mendota Heights;
- First Baptist, Anoka
- Five Oaks, Woodbury
- Grace Church, Eden Prairie
- Woodridge Church, Medina and
- Valley EFC, Des Moines, IA.

Full details coming soon.

More locations to be announced.

Separation of Church and State — Workplace Implications by Warwick Alcock & Kent O’Grady



Learning to balance your faith values in the secular workplace can have its challenges, especially in the context of supreme court decisions about how we may or may not exercise our faith. However, your presence in your workplace is not an accident. It is a mission opportunity. God has placed you in that workplace for a reason. Part of which is for you to learn from others and part is for others to learn from you. Don’t miss your opportunity to show God’s love to those around you, especially in the secular workplace.

Kent O’Grady, Minnesota State Patrol (retired), guides us through this critical topic at our next **Faith at Work seminar**

Wednesday, 23 March at 7:30 pm at the Village Center.

Seating is limited | Register online | A freewill offering will be taken.

Spring/Summer Class Schedule

Teacher Training & Discipling
10 weeks
Wednesdays, 6:45 – 8:45pm
Starts April 27
Instructor: Dr. Harvey Martin

If you’re interested in the teaching and discipling aspects of the Great Commission, this course is for you. This course equips Bible teachers, small group leaders and mentors to teach & disciple others.

Bible Overview Course | 8 weeks
Tuesdays, 6:45-8:45pm
Starts May 3
Instructor: Dr. Harvey Martin

Designed for those who are looking for a big picture overview of the entire Bible, this course shows how the inspired word of God is not simply a collection of separate and independently written books, but comes together as a unified whole.

That you may believe:
The Gospel of John | 12 weeks
Thursdays, 6:45—8:45 pm
Starts June 2– August 18 |
Instructor: Pastor Ryan Habbena

John’s Gospel is a grand book that proclaims the grace and glory of Jesus the Messiah. You are invited on a verse-by-verse journey through John’s account of the person and work of Christ.

Spring & Summer Classes take place at the Village Center, 13815 Ridgedale Dr, Minnetonka MN 55305
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