

# NEWSLETTER

Tanglewood Bible Fellowship

June 2020

The Mission of TBF is to glorify God (Psalm 86:11-13; 115:1 and 1 Peter 2:12; 4:16) by actively participating in the ongoing fulfillment of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) as a body of believers (1 Cor 12:13; 1 John 5:1-5) who collectively/individually (Phil 1:27) serve our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ (Rom 12:1-2) and one another (Phil 2:3-4) functioning as a spiritual Greenhouse (Eph 4:11-16) such that by our interactions together we are catalyzed to grow (Acts 2:42) and to reproduce (Acts 2:47) spiritually

# God is Holy

The only attribute of God that scripture, in both the Old and New Testaments, repeats three times in a row - holy, holy - distinguishing it as significant (Isaiah 6:3; Revelation 4:8). The primary meaning of holy is to be set apart; separated from common use, held sacred, clean and pure; free from sin. Scripture tells us in Exodus 15:11 and I Samuel 2:2 that there is no god like our God and He is majestic in holiness. Seventy-two times in the Old Testament and nine times in the New Testament God declares, "I am holy."

Every believer should consider the holiness of God as something sacred. Why? Because God does. The Old Testament provides several examples that underscore the importance of God's holiness. One such example is Moses in Numbers 20:1-13 and 27:12-14. Moses did not treat God as holy in the sight of Israel and was therefore forbidden to enter the promised land. Uzzah lost his life for just touching the Ark of the Covenant – a symbol of God's presence, a most holy object to be hidden in the Holy of Holies I Samuel 6. And yet, in Isaiah 6:1-10, Isaiah received a breathtaking revelation of God's holiness. He saw the Lord high and lifted up, the Seraphim crying out, "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts; the whole earth is filled with His glory".

The Spirit of God is holy. He is holy because God is holy. Scripture often refers to Him as the Holy Spirit. (John 14:26, I Cor.. 6:19; Acts 5:3; Eph 4:30 and so forth)

Jesus himself was holy. He was set apart from the beginning, born of a virgin and lived a sinless life. The demons themselves recognized Jesus' holiness when they called Him 'the Holy One of God' (Mark 1:24; Luke 4:34). Jesus died for our sin, for our unholiness, and in our place.

So what should our response be to God's holiness? Perhaps one of reverence and awe. One of humility and obedience. One of a grateful heart for all that God and His Son and the Holy Spirit has done and is doing in and through our lives. One of striving to holy as God is holy.

Sunday 1st Hour ONLY: 9:30 AM MEETING AT TANGLEWOOD

<u>Sunday 2nd Hour Adult Class</u>: POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE <u>Sunday 2nd Hour: Prayer and Share</u> - POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE <u>Wednesday P.M. Services</u>: 7:00 -8:00 PM - ZOOM MEETINGS ON-LINE WATCH EMAILS FOR FURTHER UPDATES OR CHANGES TO SCHEDULES

# Growing Spiritually at TBF

#### PRAYER AND SHARE – Wednesday Nights 7 p.m. "Zoom"-in

One thing that makes TBF different from other churches is our genuine love and prayer for one another. Join us on Zoom and learn what's going on in the lives of others -- how you can pray for them, minister to them, and love on them. Also, we would love to hear from you – what's going on in your life and how can we minister to you and pray for you.

PRAYER

IS THE KEY THAT

UNLOCKS ALL

DOORS

**1 Timothy 2:1** - I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, [and] giving of thanks, be made for all men.



Returning to Holiness by Dr. C

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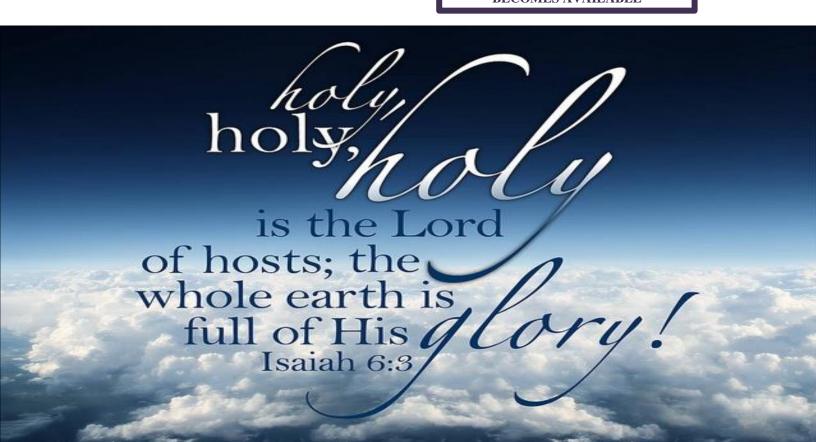
7 Week DVD Series Men's PM Bible Study



We over me By Whitney Capps

9 Week DVD Series Women's Spring Bible Study WE OVER ME
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### A Word from David Shields



One of the most important things that Christians can do is learn the art of disagreement. As believers we will disagree with the world. In fact, we will often disagree with each other! Some of our disagreements will be over important matters and some will not. The important skill that we must learn is understanding the difference. One of the tools to do this is something called theological triage. The idea of triage comes from the medical community. It is deciding what injuries are most significant and who needs to be treated first. Someone who will die in the next hour without treatment is dealt with before the person who has a bad cold. In theology this is important as well. We need a way to understand what Christians can amicably disagree about and what is worth arguing over.

The first tier is the issues that are of the utmost importance. These are beliefs that are foundational to our faith. If we disagreed in this area, we would find ourselves denying something that is core to our faith. These are issues like whether or not Jesus is the Son of God, whether or not humanity is sinful and needs salvation, or if the Bible is true and trustworthy. These things are non-negotiable. They are worth disagreeing about, and if anything is worth arguing over, it would be in this category. Something to remember here is that someone disagreeing in one of these areas is probably not a believer.

The second tier of issues are things that we can disagree about but will create boundaries between the two believers. Baptism is a key second tier doctrine. Those who believe in infant baptism and those who believe in Believer's baptism disagree over what baptism symbolizes and who is allowed to be baptized. While Presbyterians and Baptists agree on the first tier issues, their disagreements here would cause them to need separate churches or even a separate denomination.

The third tier includes issues that Christians can disagree about but should not divide over. These are questions like: How exactly is Jesus coming back? When will the rapture take place, if it does at all? Who should Christians vote for, if they should vote at all? Who wrote the book of Hebrews? This category is where most disagreements find themselves. These are places that we are free to disagree and even discuss, or debate. Disagreements here can both come from Christians who take the Bible and theology seriously even if they wind up on opposite sides of the fence.

There is a well-known, repeated phrase: "In essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty, and in all things charity." First tier issues are where we need to push for unity among believers. Tier two may lead to the need for attending different churches. But most of our disagreements find themselves in tier three. Our current time dealing with COVID-19 leads to plenty of disagreements that I think are all in the third tier. We can all have different opinions, but we must remember love. As Christians we can disagree with each other on how governments, churches, or people should respond, but we must do so out of love. Love is tested when disagreements come up. If we struggle to love someone when they have a different opinion than us, it reveals that we really don't love that person at all.

I hope that we would be known as people who love well, even when people disagree with us. Maybe that's actually the best time to reveal how much we love them.

# A Lesson from Church History

One of the reasons I love church history is that it helps puts things back into perspective. Arguments and questions we may have today have often been dealt with back throughout the ages. What I wanted to look at today is arguments over worship music. Today there can a be a lot of discussion over what kind of music is best. Hymns, or modern music? How much drums or lights should be used? Everyone has a preference and an opinion. But what is fascinating is how long arguments over how Christians should worship have been happening.

Even the earliest Christians argued about worship music. The first main discussion was whether any kind of instruments should be included in the service at all. The majority opinion of most Christians was absolutely not! Some went on to describe the use of instruments as being pagan and of the devil. They would have been horrified to walk into a church and hear an organ. They had different strategies for dealing with the fact that the Bible often talked about playing with instruments. Clement of Alexandria preferred to interpret the references to instruments as allegory referring to human's mouths and hands. Other's took another position that instruments were just for Jewish believers in the Old Covenant and now believers should avoid them.

More discussion came next over whether Christians should sing any song other than the Psalms. The normal practice for much of the early centuries was to only sing the Psalms, or specific verses from Scripture. Even singing a classic song like Amazing Grace would have been unfathomable for the first several centuries of the Christian church. John Calvin, one of my heroes, believed that only the Psalms should be sung.

The push against music led many believers to debate whether or not Christians should even enjoy Christian music. Athanasius believed that only "simple" or dumb people would enjoy singing music. Augustine believed that Christians could enjoy music as long as they didn't like it too much. Ambrose believed that Christians should definitely enjoy music and should even love singing songs to their Lord. It took some time, but thankfully the church came to believe that it was okay for Christians to enjoy music during worship.

Even today we are still having some of the same discussions. What is the right way to worship God? Should we sing new songs, or the old classics? What kinds of instruments are acceptable to God? Decades and centuries from now the church will probably be having the same arguments over songs and instruments that haven't been invented yet.

Here is what I want us to take away from this: worship is not about me. It is not about what I love to hear or what my favorite kind of song is. Our primary attitude when it comes to worship should not be focused on what we like. Instead we should be focused on giving God glory by singing to Him every kind of song. If we cannot worship God because the instruments sound too weird or the song lyrics aren't our favorite, then we miss the point. We all have worship preferences. There are some songs that we love because we sang them during a formative time in our spiritual lives.

I'll confess something. I don't really care for most hymns. The style of music is weird to me and I did not grow up singing most of the songs. You would probably be surprised how few hymns I actually know. So to worship with these songs does not come automatically. I have to choose to sing them to God. We must all do the same whether its a new song or an old favorite. Not because we love the particular song we sing this week, but because we love the God the song is about. A refusal to worship or sing a particular song because we don't like it reveals that our own hearts are not truly worshipping. True worship is ready and happy to sing every kind of song in every kind of music to God. Because it's not about us, it's all about Him.

~David Shields

# Holy, Holy, Holy Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

Reginald Heber was born in Cheshire, England to a life of wealth and privilege. By the age of 5 he had read the Bible in its entirety and would often recite full chapters. He was educated at Brasenose College and was ordained a minister in the Episcopalian Church in 1807. Two years later he would marry Amelia Shipley. Reginald served as vicar over his family estate for 16 years where he spent much time visiting the sick and poor. He was well loved by the people there.

In 1823, Reginald accepted the position of Bishop of Calcutta serving in India, Ceylon, and Australia. After serving 3 short years in his new position, he died suddenly in Trichinopoly, India, at the age of 43.

Reginald was obsessed with the concept of a Holy God. *Holy, Holy, Holy* (one Holy for each person of the God-head) was written as a direct response to the First Council of Nicaea (325 BC) who formalized the doctrine of the Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He wrote it to be sung on Trinity Sunday – the 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter. Later, John Bacchus Dykes would compose the music for the hymn we know today and named the composition *Nicaea*.



Reginald Heber

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty! God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man, Thy glory may not see: Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee, Perfect in power in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and mighty,
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Isaiah 6:3 | Revelation 4:8

# TBF Ministries and Opportunities

## Coming this Summer (Lord Willing)

(With the blessing of the Elders and the lifting of Covid19 restrictions)



Super Summer Saturdays (Starting Soon)

Windows on the World (July 29th)



Watch your emails for further information

# James and Shawna Adoption Update

Last month, James and Shawna received THE Adoption Decree! Dez and Chrisnie are now officially theirs!!! *Congratulations!!!* 

This has been a long 6-year process. Many things have affected the process from change in laws, international pressure, political unrest, Covid-19, etc. God has been faithful to see them through it all.

All that is left is the completion of the immigration process which should take 8-10 weeks. Since the US Embassy in Haiti is currently closed, James and Shawna anticipate travel to Ft. Lauderdale, FL or Atlanta, GA sometime between mid-July and the beginning of August to pick up their kids and bring them home to Marlow, Oklahoma! How exciting is this!!!

Please continue to pray that God will unite James, Shawna, Jack, and Ethan with Dez and Chrisnie soon -- in His perfect timing, in His perfect way.



## Comm-UNITY Spotlight

#### The Blessing Box

Even before the pandemic happened there were needs in Duncan and those needs were being met by Christians Concerned, the Rescue Mission and individual churches. Since I moved here in the 1980's I've always been proud of how Duncan takes care of its own.

A big part I think is due to so many active churches in our community. Sometime ago I was made aware of what is known as *The Blessing Box*. It's a nation-wide ministry that provides non-perishable food or personal items to those in need. One can give items or make monetary donations. Every donation goes 100% to stocking these boxes. The boxes are all red outside, white inside with a glass front. A sign reads:

#### "Take what you need, Give what you can, above all, be blessed."

We now have five locatons in Duncan:

- ➤ North of Fire Station #2 at Ave. D and Chestnut in Hillcrest Park sponsored by the United Methodist Church.
- > Weaver Clinic 1601 Brookwood Ave. Sponsored by Doctor Kim Weaver
- ➤ Shelter Insurance 822 Willow Sponsored by Delaine Parker.
- > Onsite Mobile Detailing 728 N. Hwy. 81 Sponsored by the company.
- ➤ 762 S. King Place Sponsored by The Douglass Senior Citizens Center.

Boxes are also located in Marlow, Comanche, Ringling and Central High School.

~ Jean Shalit



#### REBOOT COMBAT RECOVERY

12-week course for those dealing with spiritual and moral wounds from combat trauma

Focused on Healing From Service-Related Trauma

Starts August 13<sup>TH</sup>
VETERANS COFFEE BUNKER
Comanche, OK

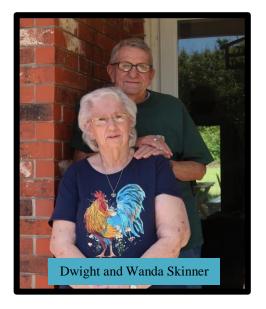
For more info: Jason Burns 580.560.9317 rebootrecovery.com

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## The Front Porch Project

With the "Stay-at-Home" mandate in place, TBFers share things they've learned, missed, a fun memory, and/or a favorite Bible verse



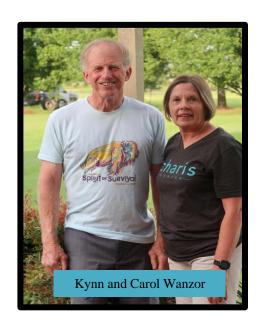
Dwight and Wanda have been "riding out the storm" pretty much at home alone. Being less than impressed with the results of Wal-Mart pick-up for groceries, they now don their masks and go bravely to do their own shopping. (Shhhh, don't tell their kids!)

Wanda has rediscovered the art of crochet, working on a few items that may wind up being Christmas or other gifts. Both say they are feeling pretty well, but are keeping those doctor appointments to stay on top of things health wise.

Wanda is DEFINITELY looking forward to seeing her TBF church family!

We have been keeping busy with plenty of home improvement projects - grass, flowers, more grass, painting. Our most recent adventure was removing the dishwasher from the cabinet to diagnose an issue with the door spring. Appliance repair business will not be our go-to for any extra retirement income! Seeing our kids and grandkids is for sure what we have missed the most. We have had short "picnic" visits with each family and stayed in touch with virtual visits.

Kynn has continued playing golf, often walking to maintain proper distance when he plays with his group at Marlow. So, when we're not watering grass or mowing grass, we're cooking and washing dishes - how do two people use that many dishes!?



# Jill Harris - One True Light

**Mission Statement:** To be a coordinated effort of local church members coming together to serve the needs of this community. The name was chosen to indicate the faith-based nature of the organization's mission. The light of Christ is the 'one true light' in the world and 'the one' represents our hope of unifying our community to solve our problems and make Duncan a better

spokes North place for all. As Christians, we can make a difference by shining the light of Christ into lives where so much darkness is present today.



One True Light has 2 outreaches: Spokes for Hope and Link One.

# **Spokes for Hope**

Spokes for Hope offers free lunch for Duncan children ages 0 to 18 from June 1st to July 31st. This year will look very different than past summers in light of the current pandemic but will still be serving children in the Duncan community. In past summers they relied heavily on volunteers from area churches and youth groups to help prepare and serve meals, but this summer in order to practice safe social distancing they will be using a small staff to hand out grab & go breakfast & lunches at 4 locations around town. Based on the numbers the school is currently feeding we anticipate serving around 300 children per day, which is well over the number we served last summer. Spokes for Hope also provides a method of staying "linked" to our Link ONE kids during the summer months when they still need love and encouragement, along with a daily meal. They continue to raise funds in order to provide more meals for next summer.

# **Link ONE Mentoring**

Link ONE Mentoring Initiative is a school-based mentoring program placing volunteers in Duncan Public Schools for the purpose of building one-on-one relationships with students. We now have mentors placed in ALL Duncan Public School facilities, including the EDGE Academy and Duncan High School. (With the exception of pre-school programs.)

Currently, just over 80 local volunteers are trained to act as mentors. Mentors receive quality training and ongoing support from our staff to assist them in helping students claim education and personal success as a goal.

Link ONE also has needs for volunteers in these areas:

- Prayer partners for our mentors.
- Special events coordinators.
- Sponsor a monthly "Mentor LINK" educational event.
- Assist with office / delivery tasks.
- Provide financial support for this initiative.

Webpage: Onetruelight.net





# Dr. Cecil Fayard - Ship to Shore

#### An Interview: How did you get your start in missions?

I was born in Biloxi, Mississippi in 1951. After graduating from high school, I joined the United States Air Force. In 1972, I was sent to Kunsan AFB, Kunsan, Korea. In December of 1972, I received orders to go to Saigon, South Vietnam to serve with the 7602<sup>nd</sup> Air Intelligence Group. I was there for the Christmas Bombings of December 1972 and January of 1973. After leaving on one of the last flights out of Saigon, I was stationed at Holloman AFB New Mexico. In September of that year I went back home to marry Myrtle Denise Bowen, Blanch Britain's sister. After my discharge we moved to Kentucky for Bible College: Mayfield and Louisville. After graduating, I pastored in Tennessee, Arkansas, Kentucky, and upper Mississippi for a total of 35 years.



Dr Cecil and Denise Fayard

In 2011 I was asked to go to Trinidad to preach a series of meetings around the island. While there I was given a tract by one of the Trinidadians. On the back of the tract was an address in south Alabama. In March of 2012, my wife and I visited with a missionary to Seafarers out of the church where the tract was sent from. He took me on board ship and I was touched by the warm reception we had on this ship with an all Chinese crew. When we got back home, I could not shake the urgent need for more missionaries to the men and women at sea. I prayed that others would feel the need and hear the call. God answered my plea and called me.

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Dr Cecil Fayard (right) in Pandemic PPE

#### Current update on the work that continues with Cecil:

Ship to Shore is a ministry to Mariners who come to our shores from all over the world. In the past eight years the Lord has allowed us to reach eighty-one nations with the Gospel of the Death, Burial and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Every year we board a large number of ships. Every time we go on board, we are bearing precious seed, the word of God, to give to the crew. We, during normal times, eat with the crew and talk to them about our precious Lord Jesus. Yes, we have seen souls saved. Also, we have been able to encourage Christian seafarers who are many miles from home. During the Covid-19 outbreak we have boarded only a few ships, but we have been able to bring care packages to the gangway with candy, cookies etc. We always put the Word of God in the bags. We have been blessed to be able to get scripture in many of the languages of the world.

#### **Prayer Requests:**

Pray for us as we are also doing suicide prevention on the ships when allowed. The number of suicides among seafarers has risen dramatically during the pandemic. Your prayers are sincerely appreciated!

Request to be put on mailing list: cecilafayard@msn.com

# WORKING THE FRONT LINES: HONORING TANGLEWOOD'S HEROES

Praying for our Men and Women on the Front Line. Thank you for your service!

#### Armed Forces

Meg Strange's son: Commander Scott Austin US Coast Guard Gay Lynn McCormick's Son: Joe McCormick US Military Veteran

#### Medical

Kitte Lewark's son: Ronnie ER DFW Metro Area

Karla Buchanan's son: Aaron Buchanan, DDS

Angel Wylie: DRH ER Nurse

Jan Palovik: Oklahoma Leadership for Nursing Professionals

#### <u>Police</u>

Kynn and Carol Wanzor's "3rd son": Julio Alvarez Duncan PD

#### Fire Fighters

Sidney Powers' nephews: Chad Combs - Comanche Volunteer Firefighter

Rusty Combs - Comanche Volunteer Firefighter









\*If you have a TBF Hero on the front lines and did not see their name(s) on the list above and would like their names added to the list, please send a text to 580.736.4997. Thanks!

# Happy Father's Day

#### **Characteristics of a Godly Father?**

Billy Graham once said: "A good father is one of the most unsung, unpraised, unnoticed, and yet one of the most valuable assets in our society."

Fatherhood was one of the first jobs God gave men. Immediately after creating Adam and Eve, God commanded them to "be fruitful and multiply" (Genesis 1:28).

- 1. A godly father knows God.
- 2. A godly father loves and honors his wife. (Ephesians 5:25, 28).
- 3. A godly father accepts responsibility for his children's spiritual training. (<u>1 Timothy</u> 5:8)
- 4. A godly father is continually aware of his influence
- 5. A godly father models selfless service. (Matthew 20:28)
- 6. A godly father is consistent
- 7. A godly father disciplines his children appropriately. (Hebrews 12:9-10(Proverbs 13:24; 18:19)
- 8. A godly father does not allow himself to be controlled by outside influences (Ephesians 5:18)
- 9. A godly father is a man under authority.(1 Peter 2:18; Romans 13:1-2; Hebrews 13:17)
- 10. A godly father will lead. (Proverbs 17:6)

Regardless of a man's past or his own parentage, he has the potential to be a godly father. The qualifications for an elder or deacon found in <u>1 Timothy 3:1–12</u> are a good standard for all of us. A father who adheres to those guidelines will do well. If he seeks the Lord with all his heart (<u>Proverbs 3:5–6</u>), strives to keep his priorities straight, and lets love and humility define him, any Christian father can become a man that his children are honored to call "Dad."

Read the entire article here:

https://www.gotquestions.org/godly-father.html

The righteous man walks in his integrity; His children are blessed after him.

Proverbs 20:7 (New King James Version)



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# *In the TBF Library*

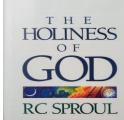


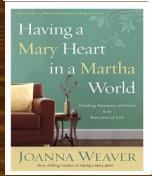
Call or Text Carol Wanzor to sign-out any books from our TBF library 580.467.8133

#### *The Holiness of God* – R.C. Sproul

Are you intrigued by God's holiness, or are you terrified?

Encountering God's holy presence, R.C. Sproul argues, is a terrifying experience and the only way to cure ourselves of our propensity to trust in ourselves and our own righteousness for salvation. Through the study of this volume, you will gain a better understanding of how having a Biblical picture of God's holiness is foundational to God-honoring theology and Christian living.



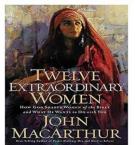


#### Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World - Joanna Weaver

We have all been forced to live a bit more of a "Mary of Luke10" lifestyle the last few weeks. This book may not seem as applicable at this moment in time, but I would still highly recommend a read through. Many of you have heard me quote or paraphrase the author in this book as she describes the devil's tools of "discouragement, distraction and doubt" Well, I think many of us have plenty of those things in our lives right now! This is an easy enough read, very Biblically based, and while written from a woman's perspective, the message definitely would apply to busy men.

#### Through My Eyes - Tim Tebow

An inspirational memoir about life as he chose to live it, revealing how his faith and family values, combined with his relentless will to succeed, have molded him into the person that he is today. The 2010 first round draft pick gives fans a first look into the heart of an athlete whose talent and devotion have made him one of the most provocative figures in football.



#### Twelve Extraordinary Women - John Macarthur

A first time mother, a prostitute, an introverted young woman, sisters with different personalities. Who were these women? Ordinary women for sure, but used by God in ways they never could have imagined. . In examining the lives of these women, you will discover their struggles and doubts, fears and failures, their faith and commitment. And, through their stories, you will discover how God can impact the world through you!

#### The Scarlet Thread - Francine Rivers

A powerful story of two women, separated by time and circumstances, who are joined through a tattered journal as they contend with God, husbands, and even themselves. This part love story / part historical fiction work is written by the New York Times bestselling author of Redeeming Love and The Masterpiece.



In the TBF Library, we also have an almost complete set of Tim LeHaye's "Left Behind" series. We also a copy of the "Left Behind" movie on DVD available.

Other authors of possible interest available in the TBF Library / Office:

Max Lucado (Traveling Light, Grip of Grace, and other titles)

Billy Graham (Angels, Just as I Am, and other titles)

Kay Arthur (Israel My Beloved) Randy Alcon (Safely Home and Dominion)

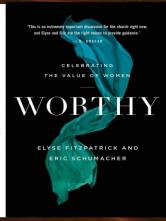
Frank Peretti (Numerous titles)

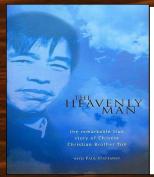
Janette Oke (Numerous titles)

#### David's Book Recommendations

Like many pastors I am a big fan of books. The following books are all books you can find on my bookshelf and I would be more than happy to lend them to anyone who would like to read them.

Worthy: The Worth of Women in the Bible - Elyse Fitzpatrick and Eric Shumacher This is a book that I just read in the last few weeks. It authored by a man and a woman, and is focused on women in the Bible. This book looks at what the Bible has to say about women. Many of the stories told are easy to overlook, especially as a man, so I was challenged to give them close attention. The book does a great job of highlighting the unique contributions that women have made to the Kingdom of God through the whole Bible. I was blessed by this book because of its laser focus on the text of the Bible itself. It did not get distracted by theological arguments about what women should or shouldn't do. It is a short work and can be easily read a chapter at a time. Each chapter focuses on a different time period of the Bible and gives plenty to digest. It would be a great book to study alone, or in a group.



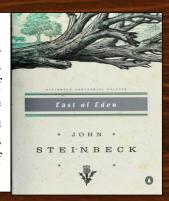


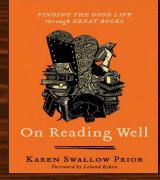
#### Heavenly Man - Brother Yun

Every now and then I read a Christian biography. I tend to shy away from them, but this one grabbed me. It is the story of a Chinese believer who was one of leaders of the house church movement in China in the 80's and 90's. He was imprisoned multiple times for his faith and fiercely mistreated. His story is filled with miracles including fasting for over 70 days and escaping a maximum security prison by walking out the front door. The book encouraged me with how God moves throughout the globe. It is also challenging when you compare the church in China to our own churches in

#### East of Eden - John Steinbeck

This is one of my all time favorite novels. It is a classic work of literature that is a modern retelling of the story of Cain and Abel. The novel takes place in Salinas Valley, California, and tells the tale of the Trask family. It follows two generations of brothers and their attempts to break the cycle of sin. The book is probably not for the faint of heart, given its length (around 600 page) and the fact that older literature can be more difficult to read. I found it profound and have read and reread it many times over the years. We even partly named Calvin (whom we often call Cal) after one of the main characters.

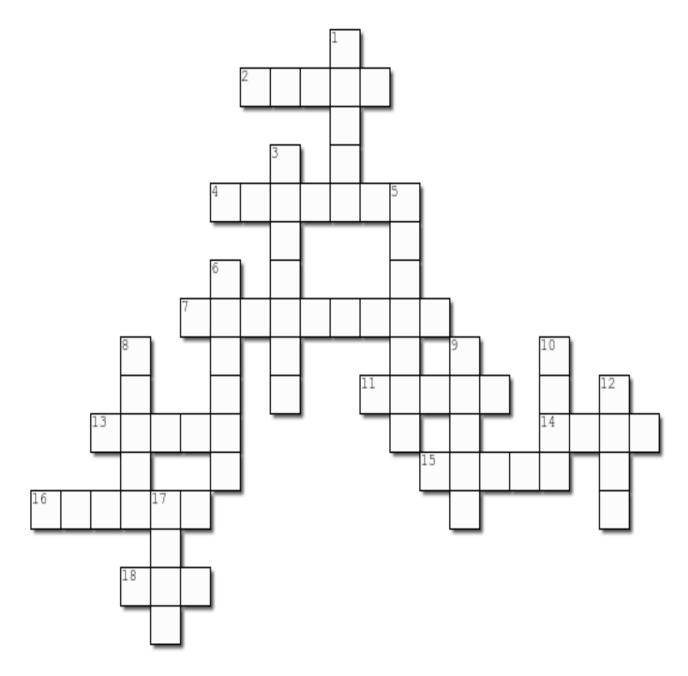




#### On Reading Well - Karen Swallow Prior

Karen Swallow Prior is an incredible writer and thinker. She was an English professor at my alma mater and is now at Southeastern seminary. The book is primarily an argument for how reading good books helps form Christian character. Each chapter focuses on a different classic work of literature and which Christian virtue that book helps cultivate. She does a great job of summarizing and explaining each book in a way that will make you want to read more.

## **FATHERS**

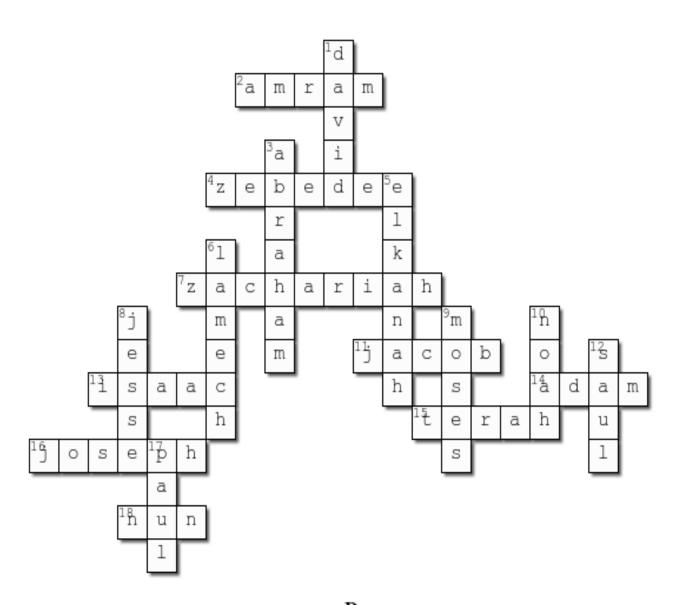


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- 2. Father of Moses and Aaron
- 4. Father of James and John
- 7. Father of John the Baptist
- 11. Father of the 12 tribes of Israel
- 13. Father of Jacob and Esau
- 14. Father of Cain. Able, and Seth
- 15. Father of Abraham
- 16. Father of Manasseh and Ehpraim
- 18. Father of Joshua

#### Down

- 1. Father of Absalom
- 3. Father of Ishmael and Isaac
- Father of Samuel
- 6. Father of Noah
- 8. Father of King David
- 9. Giver of the Law
- 10. Father of Shem, Ham, and Japheth
- 12. Father of Jonathan
- 17. Spiritual Father of Timothy



#### Across

- Father of Moses and Aaron (amram)
- Father of James and John (zebedee)
- 7. Father of John the Baptist (zachariah)
- 11. Father of the 12 tribes of Israel (jacob)
- 13. Father of Jacob and Esau (isaac)
- 14. Father of Cain. Able, and Seth (adam)
- 15. Father of Abraham (terah)
- 16. Father of Manasseh and Ehpraim (joseph)
- 18. Father of Joshua (nun)

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- Father of Absalom (david)
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# Tanglewood Bible Fellowship June

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3 Service 7 PM	4	5	6
7 Service 9:30 AM	8	9	10 Service 7 PM	11	12	13
14 Service 9:30 AM	15	16	17 Service 7 PM	18	19	Summer Begins!
21 Service 9:30 AM Fatheris Day	22	23	24 Service 7 PM	25	26	27
28 Service 9:30 AM	29 Newsletter Deadline	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	Ho will twen the hearts of the fathers to their children and the hearts of the children to their fathers.	8	9	10	Have a Super SATURDAY!

Notes:

