

What's happening at Desert Breeze?

- ❖ **LINGER WORSHIP & PRAYER NIGHT:** Join us **Wednesday, 9/21, 6pm - 8:30pm**. Come & Linger in the presence of the Lord!
- ❖ **TRUTH PROJECT:** See and respond to the world through God's word! This 13 week class begins this week, 9/21, 6:30pm. (7864 W Andrea Drive) Sign up Now at the info table!
- ❖ **CHILDREN'S CLOTHING SWAP:** Drop your clean gently used children's clothing & children's items at the church 9/19-9/22, 9am to 3pm and then come shop **Sept 24, 9am to noon!**
- ❖ **ELEMENTARY COORDINATOR POSITION:** We are looking for someone part time. See Anne or Tracy for more information.
- ❖ **ANOMALY PARENT MEETING:** 9/28, 6-8pm, suite #107
- ❖ **TRUE LOVE/TRUE INTIMACY (part 1):** Fridays, **October 7-21. \$15 per couple.** Childcare provided. Sign up at the info table!
- ❖ **LADIES BOOK CLUB:** Ladies, we are reading "Firefly Lane" by Kristin Hannah. Grab the book, read it and then meet us Monday, 10/3, 7:00pm at Kathy Schmidt's house to chat. Call Kathy for directions @ 602-439-1623!
- ❖ **STEPPING UP – MEN'S EVENT:** Oct 14/15, 5pm-10pm Friday & 6:30am to 4pm Saturday. Pick up a flyer at the info table with instructions on how to sign up!
- ❖ **MEXICO MISSION WORK TRIP:** It's time to Raise the Roof! Come & help construct a new roof @ the orphanage in Imuris, Mexico! **Nov 10-13, \$130 per person.** Sign up at the info table or see Josh Turner for details!
- ❖ **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Fall Festival – **Friday, 10/28 ☺**
- ❖ **CHRISTMAS CHOIR:** Baritone to Soprano – we need them all! Sign up at the info table!
- ❖ **PRESCHOOL AVAILABLE SATURDAY NIGHTS:** Saturday night services now include pre-school in suite #106! (4 & 5 yr olds)
- ❖ **CELEBRATE RECOVERY – NEW DAY & NEW TIME:** CR has moved to **Friday nights @ 6:30pm** in suite #106!

Check out our website @ dbcc.com for more info & events
or call the church office 602-374-4588
Wifi info: DB Guest Password: dbguest1

New Series: "Thrive" (Habits of Grace)

September 24/25 Meditation

October 1/2 Prayer

Thank You for the consistent and faithful giving of our church family. Budget Results for September 10/11 General Giving Budget \$18,500 Actual \$17,826
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September 17 & 18
2016

THRIVE

(Habits of Grace)

Sept 17/18, 2016

Sermon Notes

Ray Davis

“BIBLE” Psalms 119:1-11

Habits of grace are activities that are not about earning God's favor, or twisting God's arm, but about putting ourselves in the path of God's amazing Grace and increasing our capacity to enjoying Jesus so that we can THRIVE spiritually. No spiritual discipline is more important than a regular & consistent encounter with God through His Word that involves not only the convictions of the mind but the affections of the heart.

What Should I _____ About God's Word?

- It has ultimate _____

v1 law of the LORD (standard) v5 your statutes (permanently relevant) v6 your commandments (not optional)

- It is absolutely _____

V5 your statutes (sufficient) V7 righteous rules (infallible) V9 your word (inspired)
All Scripture comes from God's very mouth and is true and not capable of error and needs no addendums (supplements/appendix/additions).

- It is all about _____

Vv2, 10 who seek Him with their whole heart (The Bible is a means to intimacy with God) V3 His ways (nature & character of God) v4 your precepts (consummate wisdom) vv38, 41, 50, 58, 76, 82, 116, 123, 133, 140, 148, your promise (Covenant—God binds Himself to save us) (Heb4:12; Jn5; Luke24)

What Should I _____ About God's Word?

- _____

Ps119:131 I open my mouth and pant, because I long for your commandments. Desire to keep the commands of God (vv5, 10, 17, 20, 40, 131). Desire to know & understand God's Word (vv18, 19, 27, 33, 34, 35, 64, 73, 124, 125, 135, 169). Psalmist so desired God's Word that he considered suffering to be a blessing if it helped him become more obedient to God's Word (vv67-68, 71).

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Ps119:103 How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! God's Word is his delight (vv14, 24, 47, 70, 77, 143, 174). The joy of his heart (v111), positively wonderful (v129) that he loves exceedingly (v167) Professes great love for God's Word (vv48, 97, 119, 127, 140) Troubled when others forsake God's Word (vv53, 139, 158)

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Ps119:31 I cling to your testimonies, O LORD; let me not be put to shame! He is desperate for the encouragement in God's Word (vv50, 52) (Deut8:3; Matt4:4; Job23:12)

What Should I _____ With God's Word?

- To learn, love and live God's Word _____ - against our busy schedules, our distracted minds, and our stubborn hearts. But the benefits are infinitely greater than the cost! Keep it diligently (power/force/might) (v4); Be steadfast (firm/stable/ established/priority) in keeping it (v5); Guard (protect) your life according to it (v9); Seek it (practice) and not wander from it (v10)
- I must _____ my life with God's Word so that it springs to my mind, interprets my moments, guides my choices and satisfies my soul. Walk in it (vv1, 3); Keep His testimonies & seek Him (v2); I want to learn it (v7); Store it up in my heart (v11); Teach me (v12); I will declare it (v13); I will delight in it as in riches (v14); I will meditate on it (v15); Col3:16; Josh1:8
- Don't look for life lessons as much as you look to get a glimpse of your _____ who can _____ the deepest longings of your _____. Ps119:131, 103, 31 (Ps19:7-11; Pro2:1-5)

Growing Notes

Pray (Ps119:18, 37) and then read Psalms 119:1-11, 31, 103, 131

Follow this three step model for Bible Study:

Step 1: Observation—What does the passage say?

Context (historical, cultural, literary [both the book and the bible])

Content: key words, repetitive words or phrases, etc.

The Big Idea: 1) What is he talking about? (Subject)

2) What is he saying about what he is talking about? (Compliment)

Step 2: Interpretation—What does the passage mean?

First: What did the original author intend to convey to his readers?

Second: What role does this text play in the whole bible; how does it contribute to the gospel message and move along the main narrative arc of the Bible, which climaxes in the salvation of Jesus Christ? Creation/Fall/Redemption/Restoration
What does this teach me about God? About human nature, character, and behavior? About Christ & His Salvation? About life with God's people (Church)?

Step 3: Application—What am I going to do about what the passage says and means? S.P.E.C.K = ☐in to confess? ☐romise to claim? An ☐xample to follow?

☐ommand to obey? ☐nowledge about God?

Am I living in light of this? What difference does this make? Am I taking this seriously? If I believed and held to this, how would that change things?

When I forget this, how does that affect me and all my relationships?

What is God speaking to you from this study?

Meditate on a key verse or thought and respond in prayer.