

***What Matters Most: A Study of Philippians*** The world has always been full of trials, disappointments, temptations, fractured friendships, and financial hardships. Yet Paul's letter to the Philippians claims we can discover contentment and joy in the midst of it all by prioritizing what matters most—Christ. Facilitators: Cindy Graham, Robin Andrew  
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Begins: September 17—October 29, 7 weeks

When: Tuesday evenings, 6:30 pm Where: Asbury Hall

Cost: \$13.95, can be ordered on Amazon, or other book outlets

***Book of James*** The ongoing Wednesday morning Bible Study group is studying the Book of James. The Book of James is the ultimate description of the relationship between faith and works. So ingrained in the Mosaic Law, and its system of works, were the Jewish Christians to whom James wrote that he spent considerable time explaining the difficult truth that no one is justified by the works of the law.

Facilitator: Rev. Ken Timmerman [kitmmerman@lexumcsc.com](mailto:kitmmerman@lexumcsc.com)

When: Wednesdays, 9:30 am Where: Room MC106 Cost: none, bring your Bible

You may join this group at anytime, they meet year around

***Be Bold: Finding Your Fierce*** by Rachel Billups

For anyone who's ever felt put down, unsure, underestimated, or overlooked, these biblical stories encourage you to recognize your own power and potential to be bold. In ***Be Bold***, Rev. Rachel Billups weaves her life stories of grace and wondering into the lives of biblical characters. You will find redemption and insight in Sarah's story, inspiration in Mary's call, and ministry and community in Paul's letter to Timothy. For anyone who hopes to find the fierce in their own lives, Billups' work leads the way. In both her personal experience and her telling of Bible stories, Billups shows how being bold can bring you closer to God and God's plan for your life.

Participants need to purchase and read one chapter of ***Be Bold*** prior to each gathering, including the first one on September 18th. Facilitator: Rev. Elizabeth Murray

Wednesday mornings, 10:30-11:45 am, 10 weeks, September 18--November 20

Books is available at Amazon and other outlets. Cost is 13.21 for paper copy.

***A Walk through the book of Revelation***

Will Armageddon really be the end of the world? Probably not. This study explores the conditions surrounding the writing of the Revelation to John; it's connection to other books in the Bible (like Daniel and Ezekiel), and the three primary theories about its relevance to our lives. Preterists believe the events in Revelation took place during the reign of Nero and; therefore, we study it as a matter of history. Historians see many of the events as unfolding over the course of the past two thousand years, with some perhaps yet to come. Futurists contend the accounts described in Revelation will be set in place with the second coming of Christ. We'll look at the merits and limitations of each of these theories and try to better understand the meaning of the imagery used, like the living creatures before God's throne and the beast with seven heads and ten horns. You're invited to bring your Bibles and share the reasons why you see this curious book the way you do.

Facilitator: David Huffstetler [thuffstetler@aol.com](mailto:thuffstetler@aol.com)

Begins: September 11—October 30, 8 weeks When: Wednesday, 6:15—7:15 pm

Where: MC003 Cost: No cost, bring Bible to class

***Disciple 2: Into the Word, Into the World*** is an ideal study of the Bible for busy people who want to fit in-depth Bible study into their schedules. This 24-week study includes the biblical books of Genesis, Exodus, Luke and Acts. *The study is split into two parts:* This Fall, “Into the Word” helps readers deepen their understanding of Scripture and make connections between what they already know and what they are reading.

Continuing in the Spring, “Into the World” identifies some needs in the world for which ministry is needed, suggests possible responses, then invites participants to summarize the scripture message that will shape their ministry and guide their response and commitment to make that message. Each week they will experience Sabbath rest and renewal.

Participants will need to purchase/order a study manual prior to beginning the study. Please contact Diane Crosby at the church office no later than Thursday, September 12 by phone or email at [dcrosby@lexumcsc.com](mailto:dcrosby@lexumcsc.com) , if you wish the church to facilitate your order.

Fall Study Manual: “Disciple Fast Track Into the Word Genesis-Exodus Study Manual” ISBN 13: 9781501845895

Spring Study Manual: “Disciple Fast Track Into the World Luke-Acts Study Manual” ISBN 13: 9781501845918

Facilitator: Rev. Weston Pendergrass Begins: Wednesday evening, September 18, 6:15 pm  
It will be a Fall & Spring study split into two parts.

### ***Ephesians: Growing Faith; Growing Church***

Ephesians has been called the Book every Christian and Church should study. It leads us through Paul’s teachings to think about Faith in relation to being the church of Jesus Christ. There is more to faith than fellowship alone. The teachings of Christ shape faith and the formation of the church pushes us to be faithful disciples. Belief and salvation are free gifts. Discipleship is costly and requires that we give ourselves in service to Christ by following him. Facilitator: Rev. Ken Timmerman September 11—November 20, 6:15—7:15 pm

### **Make A Difference, Following Your Passion and Finding Your Place to Serve**

In this study of *Make a Difference*, by James A. Harnish, you will begin to answer the questions ‘How can I become a part of God’s healing work in the world?’ and ‘How can I find my place to serve and make a difference?’ Through the book, video, and your own group conversations, you will explore biblical wisdom and the stories of real people who have found their place to serve, making God’s kingdom a reality in this life. You and your fellow group members will help one another discover how God is calling each of you to work for the transformation of the world.

- This study is perfect for anyone desiring to:
- Engage service or mission as a vital part of discipleship,
- Find a place to serve-in the church, the community, and/or the world
- Engage in God’s work in the world

Facilitator: Mike Morrison [fmmorrison@windstream.net](mailto:fmmorrison@windstream.net)

Begins: September 11—October 23, 7 weeks When: Wednesdays, 6:15—7:15 pm

Where: MC013 Cost: Book needed to read a chapter per week, \$11.69 on Amazon and other outlets

***The Story of Jesus*** by Randy Frazee is a study into the life and ministry of Jesus. Pulled straight from the pages of the Bible, this study provides individuals and groups of all sizes the opportunity to learn, discuss, and apply Jesus' life, work, and teaching to their everyday lives

To understand the Bible, says author and pastor Randy Frazee, you need bifocal lenses, because two perspectives are involved. The Lower Story, our story, is actually many stories of men and women interacting with God in the daily course of life. The Upper Story is God's story, the tale of his great, overarching purpose that fits all the individual stories together like panels in one unified mural. Discover the joy that comes as you align your story with God's.

Facilitator: Terrie Morrison [tmmorrison@windstream.net](mailto:tmmorrison@windstream.net)

Begins: September 11—October 30, 8 weeks When: Wednesdays, 6:15—7:15 pm

Where: MC 005 Cost: Books can be ordered from Amazon and other outlets. About \$10.99

Make sure to order ***The Story of Jesus*** and not *The Story*

***The Total Money Makeover*** has helped millions of families get rid of debt and change their lives forever with its simple, practical seven-step plan. How does it work? By getting to the heart of your money problems: You. It is a plan designed for everyone, regardless of income or age. With the church's push to decrease the total debt on the building and continuing to give 10%, most find this to a daunting task. Come on a financial journey: "if you can live like no one else, so later you can live and give like no one else." Let do this for our church, our family and our family's legacy.

Facilitator: Russ Cammann [rwcammann@yahoo.com](mailto:rwcammann@yahoo.com)

Begins: September 11—November 20, 11 weeks When: Wednesdays, 6:15 pm

Where: MC009 Cost: Families will be asked to purchase or borrow

***The Total Money Makeover*** by Dave Ramsey for this study. Available at Amazon and other bookstores, about \$12.00