



HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
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SERMON NOTES

JUNE 2, 2024

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Galatians: Faith Alone in Christ Alone

Walking in Step with the Gospel

Galatians 2:11-21

An embrace of legalism causes us to walk out of step with the gospel. We feel tempted to embrace legalism sometimes, so that we can fit in with the crowd. Legalism can be both spiritual and secular. We memorize Scripture because everyone else does it, but not because it will help me grow in my relationship with God. We purchase certain brands so that we can fit into our friend group though it stretches our budget. What should we do when we feel tempted to embrace legalism?

1. Paul confronts Peter's failure to walk in step with the gospel when he embraces legalism.

2. The gospel enables us to walk in step with God rather than sin.

3. Walk in step with the gospel by embracing grace and rejecting legalism.

English Adult Sunday School – Summer 2024

11:00 am – 12:15 pm

Today marks the start of the summer quarter. We have four classes. Join us to learn more about God, theology, and the Bible. Sunday School classes meet at 11:00 am in the classrooms listed below.

How Toddlers Thrive

Room 113

Led by Pastor Fred, Chris Lu, Esther Hsieh, Jack & Rebecca Wang

New research indicates that the seeds for adult success are actually planted in the toddler years, ages two to five. In *How Toddlers Thrive*, child psychologist and director of the renowned Barnard Center for Toddler Development Dr. Tovah P. Klein cracks the preschool code, revealing what you can do to help your toddler grow into a fulfilled child and adult. New research reveals that drivers such as resilience, self-reliance, self-regulation, and empathy are more critical to success than simple intelligence. *How Toddlers Thrive* explains why the toddler years are different from any other period during childhood, what is happening in children's brains and bodies at this age that makes their behavior so turbulent, and why your reaction to their behavior holds the key to a successful tomorrow.

Church History: The Early Church

Room 115

Led by Henry Ow, Samuel Huang, Chris Chee, Dan Tung, & Jason Tarn

The church possesses a rich history. Its history enables us to understand the Bible better and deepen our worship of God. This class will examine the first 500 years of the church and its impact. This period of church history provides the historical context for how our understanding of Christ's incarnation developed. This class will consist of a 25-30 minute video lecture followed by discussion.

Fundamentals of Biblical Counseling

Room 210

Led by John Hsieh, James Gao, James Hsia, & Melvin Huang

This course is designed to provide you with practical knowledge and skills in biblical counseling. We will delve into the fundamental principles and practices, exploring key topics such as the power of the gospel to change lives, the process of change, the impact of sin, and sanctification. We will also learn practical skills about how to counsel. Throughout the course, there will be interviews with someone who has experienced biblical counseling as a counselee, a seasoned counselor, and someone considering becoming a biblical counselor.

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Enhancing Your Personal Study of the Bible: Using Time-tested Methods & 21st Century Tools

Trailer 412-414 (June 9, 16, 23, 30)

Led by Bill Huang

In Acts 17:11, Paul noted that the Bereans “received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so”. Are we able to study the Bible each day like the Bereans did? In this class, we will study a passage of Scripture using the steps of observation, asking questions, interpretation and application of the text. To interpret the text, we will use the Bible as much as possible to answer our questions, along with tools such as lexicons and concordances. Attendees will actively participate in class sessions and are welcome to bring a tablet or laptop computer to class. At the conclusion of this class, attendees will be able to study a passage of the Bible and apply it to their lives. Further growth of these skills will occur as they continue to study the Bible on their own.

Leading Bible Studies and Teaching Sunday School Lessons to Promote Active Learning and Application of the Bible

Trailer 412-414 (July 14, 21, 28; August 4, 11, 18)

Led by Bill Huang

How can we lead Bible studies and teach Sunday School lessons which make a difference? In this class, we will discuss characteristics of adult learners and how to prepare lessons designed to help them learn. We will explore how to actively engage the learners in discussions and how to prepare learners to independently study the Bible. We will also consider how our lessons can help learners grow to be mature believers and God-loving and compassionate disciples of Jesus Christ by helping them develop a specific application of the lesson for their lives. Those interested in leading Bible studies or teaching Sunday School are welcome to attend this class and as preparation, are encouraged to attend the Enhancing Your Personal Study of the Bible class offered earlier in the summer. At the conclusion of this class, attendees will be able to create a small group or Sunday School lesson, which will actively engage learners and motivate them to apply the lesson to their lives.



HCC WOMEN'S MINISTRY

JOIN US FOR AN EIGHT-SESSION BIBLE STUDY AS WE STUDY PRAYERS IN THE BIBLE.



DATE: EVERY WEDNESDAY

JUNE 5 - JULY 24, 2024

TIME: 7:15 TO 9PM

LOCATION: HCC YOUTH RM

OR ONLINE ZOOM

Register Online

