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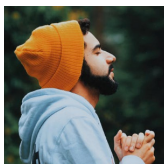
CURRENT SERMON SERIES



THE STORY: SEEING THE BIG PICTURE OF THE BIBLE If we are being honest, when it comes to the Bible, many of us have found ourselves confused. There's big names, crazy circumstances, miracles and famous stories. Sometimes we get lost when trying to figure out what it all means. But from Genesis to Revelation, cover to cover, the Bible is telling a BIG story. A big-picture view of the story of God and humanity, where it began, why we are here, what God is doing, and how things will end. So for 12-weeks, we will be looking at The Story that God is writing right before our eyes.



Serving Opportunities Are you interested in truly living out your faith? Jesus calls his people to serve others, and gave us different gifts to do so. We can always use people willing to serve. Considering joining: TreeHouse Kidz, Student Ministries, the Prayer Team, Hospitality, Buildings & Grounds, and other outreach opportunities. Fill out an orange "Get Involved" card at the Welcome Center.



Exploring Prayer / January 12 / 6:30PM Have you ever been frustrated with prayer? Or had questions about what prayer is or if it really matters? How does our prayer life with God really affect our everyday lives? Join us at RiverTree Massillon for a 4-week study and discussion on what the Bible says about prayer. Questions? Email massillon@rivertreecristian.com



Women's Bible Study #1 / Begins January 29 / 6:30PM / RiverTree Massillon Jesus, The One and Only. How did it feel to walk the dusty roads of the Holy Land with the Son of God? Can you imagine placing your feet in the sand beside His, walking where He left footprints, hearing Him actually speak? Join this interactive evening study that includes personal devotions, weekly sessions and discussion. Questions? Contact Linz Bishop at 330.639.7943 or linzcb34@gmail.com



Women's Bible Study #2 / Begins late February Want a practical outlook on the Christian faith? Save the date for this upcoming 6-week Monday morning Bible study on the book of James. Details to come in the February bulletin. Until then, you are invited to join us at Massillon Panera on the 2nd Monday of the month at 9AM to stay connected and bring friends. Questions? Contact Diana Colucci via text at 330.417.7607.



Men's Discipleship Proverbs 27:17 says, "Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." Men are intended to challenge each other to become everything God calls us to be. If you want to continue to grow in your faith, be on the lookout for info in February about men's discipleship groups and opportunities to grow together.



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THE STORY: Seeing the Big Picture of the Bible

January 5 / Good God, Beautiful World

READING / Genesis 1:1-31

The beginning of the Bible tells of a God who created the world to be a reflection of his own goodness and beauty. Out of nothing, God brings things into existence. Out of the darkness, God brings light. Where there was no life, God created life. God is a God of order, purpose, and beauty – who had good and loving intentions for every aspect of his creation.

January 12 / Created in God's Image

READING / Genesis 1:26-28; 2:7, 18-25

Right from the beginning of the Bible, God gives a special place to human beings. God creates people in his very own image, illustrating the great value and purpose of human life. He also creates and designs them as male and female to complement one another, and to establish marriage as the foundation of a flourishing family and society.

January 19 / Mankind's Mandate

READING / Genesis 1:28; 2:15-17

God not only created human beings in his image, but he also created them with a purpose. People were intended to be God's representatives as stewards and keepers of the good world God created. The world was intended to be filled with God's glory through the work of human beings.

January 26 / The Root of Every Sin

READING / Genesis 3:1-7

Human beings are deceived and fall into disobedience and rebellion to God's command. Rather than represent God and obey his mandate, they choose to put themselves in the place of God himself. Rather than trust God's word and provision, they are tricked into believing that there is something better to be obtained outside of God's will and design.

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