

NEWS+EVENTS

September 12, 2021

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Current Memory Verse, James 1:2-4 (ESV)

“Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.” Find the Bible Reading Plan on our website or at the Welcome Center.

GriefShare Begins Today, Sunday, September 12 in the Heritage House, 4:00-5:00 p.m. This group will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences—the death of a loved one. Sign up available online. Please contact Family Pastor Jimmy Jackson at 720-1449 or jim@heritageokc.org with questions.

2:7 Bible Study Wednesdays at 6:30pm, Room 420. This 11-week study for couples and men will help you get established in the basics, start memorizing Scripture, and acquire skills in Bible Study and discipleship. For questions or interest please text, call or email Chip or Cindy McWilliams at 405-823-8239, heymac333@gmail.com.

4MEN (Rocky Hails, Eric Schrock, Greg Rader & Dennis McGee) Wednesdays, 6:30pm, Room 407. This group of men search the Scripture, uphold each other in prayer, share applications, and look to Christ to empower their walk. This semester our study is based on D. S. Whitney's book, *Ten Questions to Diagnose Your Spiritual Health*.

Women's Bible Studies in the Heritage House on Thursdays!
9:30am (w/Zoom option) *I Peter—A Living Hope in Christ* by Jen Wilkin; and
6:30pm *Truthfilled* by Ruth Chou Simons. Books available at Mardel.

Barnabas Leadership Ministries Celebration Dinner (Sam Kirui, Ministry Leader). Come celebrate with us and hear stories of God's faithfulness as servant leaders have been encouraged and equipped. **Thurs. September 23 6:30-8:00pm** in Herndon Hall. RSVP at the Welcome Desk by 9/16. Contact Sam Kirui with questions 405-694-6717.

Flee the City, September 24-25 ~ Our annual father/son campout at beautiful Salyer Lake just 45 minutes from the church. Contact Pastor Jimmy at jim@heritageokc.org or 720-1449 with questions; find more info at the Children's Desk; sign up online.

Visit <http://heritageokc.org/serve/> to find more ways you can be part of what God is doing at Heritage Baptist Church.



As a family of forgiven people we are honored that you have joined with us today as we seek to develop people who delight in God and declare His glory—from our neighborhoods to the nations. Our prayer is that you will connect with God through Christ this morning and that this would be the beginning of a deep connection with other believers as well. Please take a moment to fill out the Communication Card located under the pew in front of you and place it in an offering pedestal in the back of the Worship Center.

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Call to Worship

Pastoral Prayer

Songs of Worship

May the Peoples Praise You

*It Was Finished Upon
That Cross*

Scripture Reading

Titus 2:11-14

Songs of Worship

*Christ Our Hope in
Life and Death*

It Is Well With My Soul

Message

Announcements

Song of Response

*Christ Our Hope in
Life and Death*

“Discernment itself is rooted in the understanding that there is good and bad, that there are God’s ways and other ways. A secular worldview, on the other hand, teaches that truth exists along a continuum, that truth is subjective; it is relative.”

Tim Challies

“Among the gifts of the Spirit scarcely one is of greater practical usefulness than the gift of discernment. This gift should be highly valued and frankly sought as being almost indispensable in these critical times. This gift will enable us to distinguish the chaff from the wheat and to divide the manifestations of the flesh from the operations of the Spirit.”

A.W. Tozer

“Unfortunately, discernment is an area where most Christians stumble. They exhibit little ability to measure the things they are taught against the infallible standard of God’s Word, and they unwittingly engage in all kinds of unbiblical decision-making and behavior. In short, they are not armed to take a decidedly biblical stand against the onslaught of unbiblical thinking and attitudes that face them through their day.”

John MacArthur

“Discernment is not a matter of simply telling the difference between right and wrong; rather it is telling the difference between right and almost right.”

Charles Spurgeon

Expect Opposition to God’s Work, Part 2

Ezra 4

Big Truth of this Series: God is working to glorify Himself in His people through restoration, revival, and repentance.

Big Truth of Today’s Message: The world subtly opposes you and tries to pollute your worship and work. You must be discerning and decisive when confronting error and wrong.

In syncretism, the goal is not to get you to stop worshipping or serving the true God, but to add other gods (vv. 1-2).

You must be discerning and decisive when faced with error and wrong (v. 3).

Discernment:

- A skill that must be practiced and developed.
- Based on a right understanding of God’s Word and God’s ways.
- Must be applied.

“Discernment is the skill of understanding and applying God’s Word with the purpose of separating truth from error and right from wrong.” *Tim Challies*