

Independent Presbyterian Winter Elective Sunday School Classes ~ Dec.-Feb. 2020

Modern Issues Christians Face

Teacher: Matthew Mullinix

Agape Classroom 70 (2nd Floor - Admin. Bldg.)

This class will explore modern issues that Christians face today including topics like Creation and Science, Gay Christianity, Purity Culture, and Post Modern Thought. We will explore scripture together to see what God has to say and see how we might lovingly minister to those that struggle with these issues.

The Old Testament Redemption Story: Exodus 1-14

Teacher: Tim Shaw

Berean Classroom 31 (3rd Floor - Axson Bldg.)

God's people are helpless and hopeless, enslaved to the superpower of the ancient world. They cry out to God for help. This is their story of salvation. It's the story of an epic battle between the One True God and the false gods of Egypt. It's the story of the calling of one of Israel's greatest heroes. And it is also our story foreshadowed. We will be studying Exodus 1-14 seeking to mine the riches found in these chapters of OT history.

Environmental Stewardship

Teacher: Bob Ellis

Garmer Classroom 30 (3rd Floor - Axson Bldg.)

God has entrusted His world into our hands. We will examine the Biblical principles He has given us for the use and care of the earth, as well as the standards for us as His stewards. We will apply these Scriptures to some of the popular panics and politics of environmental issues.

An Introduction to the Works of Francis Schaeffer

Teacher: John Breckenridge

New Covenant (4th Floor - Whitaker Bldg.)

Francis Schaeffer was arguably the most influential reformed theologian of the 20th century. His writings and perspectives are especially relevant today as the world has fallen further into the grip of relativism and godless humanism since his death in 1984. Be encouraged as we review the classic works: *The God Who is There*, *Escape from Reason* and *He Is There and He Is Not Silent*, and see how our Christian faith is grounded in truth and how the Gospel is the only answer for what ails humanity.

The Song of Solomon

Teacher: Timothy Foster

Telfair Hall (1st Floor - Axson Bldg.)

The Song of Solomon, or Song of Songs, is a unique biblical book that has proven both challenging and controversial. It has been described as a lock for which the key has been lost. Its interpretations range from the fanciful to the bizarre. The book gives a beautifully poetic yet enigmatic depiction of a royal love story. Ultimately, this love story is part of the greatest love story ever told. It is a tender portrait of Christ's love for his church, a profound description of both divine and human love. Join us as we explore the extravagant imagery and the captivating metaphors found in this stunning portion of inspired Scripture.

Safe and Sound: Standing Firm in Spiritual Battles

Teacher: Ron Parrish

Emmaus Classroom 32 (3rd Floor - Axson Bldg.)

In this class we will be reading and discussing a little book by David Powlison about *Spiritual Warfare*. Do you ever discuss the reality that every one of us, every day, is up against a supremely subtle enemy? Do you ever introduce the Liar, Tempter, Accuser, and Murderer into the conversation? Do you ever press the issue of the Evil One's relevance and significance to a person's life struggles? Powlison is a faithful guide.

The Parables of Jesus

Teacher: Melwin Issac

Emmaus Classroom 33 (3rd Floor - Axson Bldg.)

Why are parables of Jesus so special and unique that even after two thousand years, when somebody mentions the parables of Jesus, it invokes images and various emotions in our mind? Even the world knows about some of the parables of Jesus, like the parable of the good Samaritan and the parable of the prodigal son. What was the purpose behind the parables of Jesus? How can we benefit from the parables of Jesus in our own day and time? Come and learn as we go through some of the major parables of Jesus.