



June 2025 Newsletter

Women's Ministry at Valley Baptist Church

I have a boring testimony. There. I've said it. Think what you will. I grew up in a Bible believing, church attending home. It's all I've ever known. I bet some of you are nodding along. And I bet some of you are thinking, "Wow, that must have been amazing!" I have many fond memories of walking downstairs in the morning and seeing my mom quietly reading her Bible. I can remember walking into the kitchen and finding her hard at work, poring over Precept Bible studies. Some passages of Scripture are vividly linked to sermons my dad preached many years ago. And church? Church is my happy place. Decades of memories are intertwined with church.

But here's the thing. The precious can become familiar and the sacred can start to feel mundane. We can become too comfortable in our faith. It has certainly happened to me. Maybe it has happened to you too. Have you ever taken God for granted? After all, He's always there, isn't he? Let's take a look at Isaiah 6:1-3.

"In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory! And Isaiah's immediate response to this amazing sight was, 'Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'" (Isaiah:6:5). Isaiah was humbled by his experience, but that's not where the story ends. We also read, *"I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' Then I said, 'Here I am! Send me.'" (Isaiah:6:8)* Isaiah heard the Lord and he responded immediately, without doubt or fear.

Ladies, as we move into summer, a time when life tends to quiet down a bit, let's not grow too comfortable in our walk with the Lord. Let's make sure we see Him, we hear Him, and we respond to Him. Remember what James cautioned, *"be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves"* (James, 1:22). Now is the time to ask the Lord, "What would You have me do?" And be ready to respond in faith!

Katie

Pray the Word



We love to *personalize* and *pray* Scripture. Here are some verses to get you started this month:

Romans 15:33 May the God of peace be with all of you. Amen.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely. And may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will do it.

2 Thessalonians 3:16 May the Lord of peace himself give you peace always in every way. The Lord be with all of you.

Hebrews 13:20-21 Now may the God of peace, who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus -- the great Shepherd of the sheep -- through the blood of the everlasting covenant, equip you with everything good to do his will, working in us what is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Bible study tip

Read, read, read and re-read!
Beginning always with prayer, repetitive reading is sometimes an overlooked study tip. Repetitive reading allows us to see things we may have missed the first time through. (try reading in different versions also) As we approach our reading with prayer, the Holy Spirit will be our highlighter, words and phrases will begin to stand out to us! Also, slow down as you read and pay attention to the conjunctions to help you follow the authors flow of thought; words such as: if, therefore, but, so that or in order that. These are words that will link a main thought with a supporting thought, and make the Word of God come alive!! Enjoy your reading!!

LADIES PLAN TO JOIN US THIS SUMMER!



Connected Women's Ministry Summer Bible reading. Thursday mornings in June and July.

We will read portions of Scripture aloud together.

No registration required, just show up with your Bible and we will read together.

**Thursdays June 12, 19 and 26. July 10, 17 and 24.
We will meet from 9:00-10:30am.**

*The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;
the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes. Psalm 19:7-8*

