



DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

FALL 2009

Bay Pointe Community Church is excited to offer Discipleship Classes for this fall "Semester".

**All classes take place on Thursday nights
from 6:30 - 8:30 pm on the BP campus.**

These classes are designed not only to help you in practical ways in your Christian walk but they were strategically chosen so there is something for everyone whether you are seeking a relationship with Christ or you live your life with Christ at the very center of everything you do. Below you will find a description of each class, which room it meets in, who is leading the class, how many people can participate in the class, what the cost is if any (some scholarships may be available) and how many weeks it lasts. There will be no classes on Thanksgiving Day and child care will not be provided.



LOVING GROWING REACHING

Ray Vander Laan Discipleship Class

10 Week Course (September 10 – November 12)

Led by - Reverend Larry and Mickey Grooters

Maximum Class Size - 55

Location - Lobby

Who is it for? Although this class is best suited for someone who is well grounded in their Christian beliefs and would like to go deeper into learning about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus, there will be plenty of challenging learning and application regardless of where you are at in your spiritual journey.

Session One - **In The Dust of The Rabbi - Becoming a Disciple**

So what does it mean to be covered with the dust of the Rabbi? We have good intentions, but sometimes we end up missing out on God's daily presence – not because we have rejected Him, but because we get distracted and overwhelmed by life. In this class we will walk through Galilee and to Asia Minor with Ray Vander Laan, teacher and historian, and learn how the culture and politics of the first century influenced the imagery and stories of the Bible. Filmed on location in Israel and Turkey. One person who took this class said, "I found that what I had thought I knew about being a disciple of Christ was sorely lacking and this ... forever changed my understanding of the issue."

Session Two - **Following the Rabbi: Walk as Jesus Walked**

What does a passion for Christ look like? Discover the passion of our early Christian sisters and brothers to walk like Jesus, even when the path becomes treacherous. See the text through the eyes of God's chosen people, the Jews. Going deeper in our exploration of what it means to be a disciple of Christ. Filmed on location in Israel and Turkey.

Session One

Week 1, September 10

When the Rabbi says, "Come."

Week 2, September 17

When the Rabbi says, "Go."

Week 3, September 24

The Presence of God: A Counter Cultural Community

Week 4, October 1

Living Stones

Week 5, October 8

The Very Words of God

Session Two

Week 6, October 15

Aphrodisias—Run! The Passion of Elijah

Week 7, October 22

Antioch Pisidia—Learning to Walk Like Jesus: Paul's Journey to Rome

Week 8, October 29

Lystra—An Unlikely Disciple

Week 9, November 5

Cappadocia—Why Christians Suffer: The Weight of Gethsemane

Week 10, November 12

Cappadocia—Don't Forget Us

Financial Peace by Dave Ramsey

13 Week Course (September 10 – December 10)

Led by - Chris McCrumb

Material Cost - \$93.00 per household

Maximum Class Size - 100

Location - Large Treehouse Room

Who is it for? This class is designed for anybody who is interested in getting their personal financial world in order no matter where they are in their spiritual journey.

Financial Peace University is a 13-week Bible based course designed to teach you and your family how to get out of debt, stay out of debt and build wealth. You'll meet with your class each week to watch a video lesson and participate in discussion and accountability groups that will change your whole attitude about money. You'll learn how money really works in a simple, easy-to-understand style. You'll actually have fun as you learn about saving, budgeting, investing, insurance, retirement & college savings and more.

Week 1, September 10

Super Savings: Common sense for your dollars and cents

Week 2, September 17

Relating With Money: Nerds and Free Spirits Unite!

Week 3, September 24

Cash Flow Planning: The Nuts and Bolts of Budgeting

Week 4, October 1

Dumping Debt: Breaking the Chains of Debt

Week 5, October 8

Credit Sharks In Suits: Understanding Credit Bureaus and Credit Practices

Week 6, October 15

Buyer Beware: The Power of Marketing on Your Buying Decisions

Week 7, October 22

Clause and Effect: The Role of Insurance in Your Financial Plan

Week 8, October 29

That's Not Good Enough: How to Only Buy Big, Big Bargains

Week 9, November 5

Of Mice and Mutual Funds: Understanding Investments

Week 10, November 12

From Fruition to Tuition: Planning for Retirement and College

Week 11, November 19

Working In Your Strengths: Careers and Extra Jobs

Week 12, December 3

Real Estate and Mortgages: Keeping the American Dream from Becoming a Nightmare

Week 13, December 10

The Great Misunderstanding: Unleashing the Power of Generous Giving

Starting Pointe

10 Week Course (September 10 – November 12)

Led by - Krista Bullard

Material Cost - \$20.00 per person

Maximum Class Size - 25

Location - The Living Room

Who is it for? This class is perfect if you are a seeker interested in learning what it means to be a follower of Jesus, someone who is a new believer or someone who has been away from the church for awhile.

Starting Point is a conversational environment where people can explore faith and experience community. Starting Point groups are a safe place for people with questions about faith, as well as those who want to learn about the Bible and Christianity. Groups meet for 10 weeks and together explore the grand story of the Bible. One of the goals of Starting Point is to help participants find their place in the story.

Week 1, September 10

Your Story

Week 2, September 17

Scripture

Week 3, September 24

Creation

Week 4, October 1

Brokenness

Week 5, October 8

Promise

Week 6, October 15

Law

Week 7, October 22

Rebellion

Week 8, October 29

Grace

Week 9, November 5

Spirit

Week 10, November 12

Eternity

Alpha Course

10 Week Course (September 10 – November 12)

Led by - Kelly Ellis

Maximum Class Size - 70

Location - The Safe

Who is it for? This class is a good fit if you are a seeker trying to learn what it means to be a follower of Jesus or if you are a new believer. It's also a great opportunity for people who have been a Christian for a while but maybe never truly got grounded in the fundamentals of Christianity.

The Alpha course was developed to investigate the claims of the Christian faith. Over ten weekly sessions, guests hear the claims of Christianity and they have a chance to question what they heard and discuss the validity of the claims. People attend from many different backgrounds and viewpoints. Some want to investigate whether God exists and if there is any point to life; still others may have attended church all their life, but feel they never really understood the basics of the Christian faith. This class is a DVD teaching with small group discussions following.

Week 1, September 10

Who Is Jesus?

Week 2, September 17

Why Did Jesus Die?

Week 3, September 24

How Can I Be Sure of My Faith?

Week 4, October 1

Why and How Do I Pray?

Week 5, October 8

Why and How Should I Read the Bible?

Week 6, October 15

How Does God Guide Us?

Saturday, October 17

All Day Retreat

Week 7, October 22

How Can I Resist Evil?

Week 8, October 29

Why and How Should We Tell Others?

Week 9, November 5

Does God Heal Today?

Week 10, November 12

What About the Church?

Membership- “Everybody”

5 Week Course (September 10 – October 8)

Led by - Nick Twomey

Maximum Class Size - 50

Location - Pre-K/K Treehouse Room

Who is it for? This 5 week course is designed to provide you with the information you need to decide whether or not Bay Pointe is the place for you to call your church home. We hope that this class will challenge you in your relationship with Jesus regardless of where you are at on your Christian journey.

One thing we find to be true at Bay Pointe is the power of everybody. Simply put, there are some things we can do together that none of us can do alone. When it comes to the mission of our church – LOVING God, GROWING Believers and REACHING People who don't know Jesus – that's where the power of everybody really comes into play.

Week 1, September 10

Membership at Bay Pointe

Week 2, September 17

Bay Pointe Distinctives

Week 3, September 24

What We Believe

Week 4, October 1

Everybody – Doing Together What We Cannot Do Alone

Week 5, October 8

I Want to be a Part of Everybody