

2020/2021 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

LOOKING UNTO JESUS!

Are You Ready For His Coming?

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Titus 2:13 NKJV

Fall 2020 Women's Ministry Bible Study

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The verses we will be studying in this 5-week series all have the word **“Looking”** in them. **“Looking”** means to direct one's gaze toward someone or something or in a specific direction. To direct one's attention, to direct the eyes, expect, anticipate.

Chuck Smith said, “What do you have your eyes on? The temporal passing things? Where do you place your values? In the temporal passing things? God help us that we might begin to look at the eternal and place our value in the eternal things. **Looking** unto Jesus, keeping our eyes on Him, the author and the finisher of our faith (Hebrews 12:2), who will bring us who trust in Him unto that eternal glory.” Jesus is coming back soon! Are you **Looking** for His return?

We invite ladies, Jr. High and older, to attend this Study. No registration is required to attend. We are sorry, but no Childcare will be provided and children are not permitted to attend.

We have taken every precaution to establish a sanitized environment throughout our church facility. Face masks are optional. In order to maintain social distancing, alternating rows will be marked off in the Sanctuary.

If you are planning on attending the Study in person, we ask that if you are sick or have a fever, please do not attend. We will be posting all the Studies on our website and app so that you do not miss anything. Go to **resources.ccphilly.org**.

Parking & Entering the Building: Please park in the front parking lot and enter through the main front doors. If you cannot do steps, please park on the Philmont Avenue side of the building and use the Handicapped Entrance.

Follow us on Instagram: Search for Calvary Philly on Instagram to see reminders for the Tuesday Evening Bible Study.

Cancellation Information: In the event of inclement weather, please check the church website at www.ccphilly.org for cancellation information.

Questions: Any questions regarding this Study, email Women's Ministry at **womensministry@ccphilly.org** or call 215-969-1647.

Dates of the Bible Study

5-week series on the following Tuesday evenings from 7:30-9:00pm, doors will open at 7:00pm: 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, *11/3 Election Day-no Study, 11/10, 11/17

October 13th - Guest Speaker: Cathy Focht - CC Philadelphia
Introduction - **“Looking Unto Jesus! Are You Ready For His Coming?”** & Special Worship Video from the Katinas

October 20th - Guest Speaker: Sandy MacIntosh - MacIntosh Ministries
“Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.”
Hebrews 12:2

October 27th - Guest Speaker: Jean McClure - Calvary Way Ministries
“Looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ.” Titus 2:13

November 10th - Guest Speaker: Jill Martin - CC Philadelphia
“Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.” Jude 1:21

November 17th - Guest Speakers: Hannah Chandler & “The Hope of Heaven” DVD
“Looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God...look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things.”
2 Peter 3:12-14

Schedule for the Evening

7:00pm: Doors Open

7:30-8:00pm: Welcome & Worship

8:00-9:00pm: Teaching

9:00-9:30pm: Product Sales & Outreach for CC Word of Life

We will be selling journals, leather bracelets and earrings, long-sleeve t-shirts, tote bags and Johnson's Popcorn. All proceeds from the Johnson's Popcorn will go to support Calvary Chapel Word of Life Outreaches.

Guest Speakers



Sandy MacIntosh~ Sandy and her husband Mike MacIntosh have been happily married for 54 years. For 41 years, Mike faithfully pastored Horizon Christian Fellowship in San Diego where his son, Phillip, has now transitioned into that role. This new season of ministry is providing Mike and Sandy more opportunities to travel and equip the church worldwide, as well as reaching those who are hurting and lost. Sandy is an author, she has spoken evangelistically, and has been an encouragement to pastors' wives and women across the United States and internationally. She has six children, twenty grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. The women of Calvary Chapel of Philadelphia have enjoyed Sandy's rich and inspiring teachings from the Word of God for many years.



Mike MacIntosh~ For 41 years, Mike faithfully pastored Horizon Christian Fellowship in San Diego where his son, Phillip, has now transitioned into that role. This new season of ministry is providing Mike more opportunity to travel and equip the church worldwide, as well as reaching those who are hurting and lost. Mike's love for learning and education has helped him earn three graduate degrees, an honorary degree from Azusa Pacific Graduate School of Theology, and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Fuller Theological Seminary. He is the author of several books, including *When Your World Falls Apart*, drawn from his experiences as a Chaplain responding to the New York World Trade Center disaster on September 11, 2001. He is deeply committed to serving the law enforcement community, first-responders, and their families. Mike has served as a reserve officer and currently as a chaplain for the San Diego Police Department, the Newport Beach Police Department, the American Red Cross, and the Disaster Medical Assistance Team under the Department of Health and Human Services. He also became a certified trainer through the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation, which has prepared him to go anywhere in the world to serve others during crisis events such as Ground Zero, Sandy Hook, Oklahoma City bombing, and even across the globe to counsel Mid-East Yazidis woman in Northern Iraq who were rescued from ISIS. Having the heart of an evangelist, Mike has sensed God shifting his calling from his local pastoral role to a much broader global platform. His passion is to equip and strengthen pastors around the nation through encouraging, mentoring, and supporting them in their own ministries. Mike continues

Guest Speakers

to speak at churches and city outreaches sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ. With six children, twenty grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren, Mike finds one of the greatest honors is being the patriarch of his family. He and Sandy have been happily married for 54 years.



Jean McClure~ I went to Westmont College for 2½ years and then transferred to Point Loma and graduated from there. Don and I met at our church and were married our senior year in college. God had called him to the ministry shortly before I met him. We were headed down the same road and excited about our future. The following year we went to Bible College in England and then home to land in the middle of an exploding revival that would later be known as the “Jesus Movement.” We were on staff at Calvary Chapel in Costa Mesa, CA when Kay Smith, Pastor Chuck’s wife, came and taught a Bible Study in our home. It grew so large that it had to move to the church. It was during this time that I fell in love with ministering to women. Kay, my mother, and mother-in-law were great examples to me of how to pray, what it looked like to have a heart for God’s Word, and how to practically show the love of Christ to the women in the church. Out of those experiences, the Lord has given me the privileged opportunity of heading up women’s ministries in the churches Don has pastored and sharing through the years at women’s retreats and couples’ retreats with Don. The Lord gave us three boys that have given me countless illustrations and now twelve grandchildren and one on the way and four great-grandchildren that do the same. It is not easy to be a wife or mother or woman in the crazy world we live in today but Jesus has answers for us. How grateful I am to Him and His precious Word. Don and I have a ministry called Calvary Way Ministries. We consider it our responsibility to the Lord and to the body of Christ to serve His church by proclaiming God’s message in all its fullness.



Sometimes the circumstances of life press in with such force that you are no longer able to clearly see God’s goodness and faithfulness. Come away on a journey with Jean McClure as she recounts how faithful and God has been to her. Her stories speak of the answers she has found in His Word. This book is more than a biography, it’s like sitting down to share a steaming cup of coffee with a good friend. Jean pours out her heart, and points you to Jesus and His Word to give you strength for *your* journey.

How to do the Bible Study

Homework to do before each Study:

1. Pray and ask the Lord to speak to you through His Word.
2. Read the verses for the coming week and write in your journal what they are telling us to be **“looking”** for.
3. What are they instructing us to do?
4. What are they instructing us not to do?
5. How did these verses speak to you personally?
6. Memorize the title verse.

You can do this Study on your own or with a friend. “Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.” 2 Peter 3:18

God’s Word has the answers for these troubled times.

“My soul faints for Your salvation, But I hope in Your word.”

Psalms 119:81 NKJV

Teaching Videos: We will be posting video clips on our website that apply to the different verses we will be studying each week. Go to **ccphilly.org/womens-ministry** and click on the 2020/2021 Bible Study page to watch them.

October 20th Homework

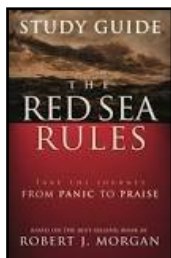
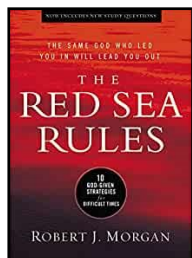
Guest Speaker: Sandy MacIntosh - MacIntosh Ministries

Title Verse: “Looking** unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.” Hebrews 12:2 NKJV**

Read Hebrews 12:1-2, 14-15 NKJV—¹Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares *us*, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²**looking** unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ¹⁴Pursue peace with all *people*, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord: ¹⁵**looking** carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled.

Optional Books for Further Study

Here are some excellent books if you would like to read more on this topic of **Looking** Unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith!

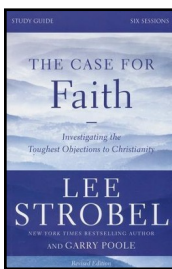
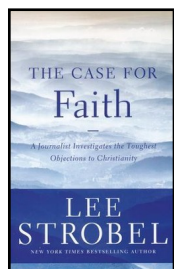


The Red Sea Rules

by Robert J. Morgan & the Study Guide that goes with it

God delivered the Israelites, and He will deliver you too. Just as Moses and the Israelites found themselves caught between “the devil and the deep Red Sea” so are we sometimes overwhelmed

by life’s problems. *The Red Sea Rules* reveals that even in the midst of seemingly impossible situations, God promises to make a way for us. His loving guidance will protect us through danger, illness, marital strife, financial problems, or whatever challenges Satan places in our path. Using the Israelites’ story in Exodus 14 as an example, Robert Morgan offers ten sound strategies for moving from fear to faith. Life is hard, especially for Christians. It is certain that we will face difficulties and that God will allow them, as He allowed the Israelites to become trapped between Pharaoh’s rushing armies and the uncrossable Red Sea. But just as certain is the fact that the same God who led us in will lead us out. As *The Red Sea Rules* makes comfortingly clear, He is in control.



***The Case for Faith* by Lee Strobel & the Study Guide that goes with it**

Was God telling the truth when He said, “You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart?” In his #1 bestseller, *The Case for Christ*, Lee Strobel examined the claims of Christ, reaching the hard-won verdict that Jesus is God’s

unique son. In *The Case for Faith*, Strobel turns his skills to the most persistent emotional objections to belief—the eight “heart barriers” to faith. This Gold Medallion-winning book is for those who may be feeling attracted to Jesus but who are faced with difficult questions standing squarely in their path. For Christians, it will deepen their convictions and give them fresh confidence in discussing Christianity with even their most skeptical friends.

October 27th Homework

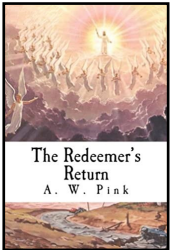
Guest Speaker: Jean McClure - Calvary Way Ministries

Title Verse: “Looking** for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ.” Titus 2:13**

Read Titus 2:11-14 NKJV—¹¹ For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, ¹² teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, ¹³ **looking** for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works.

Optional Books for Further Study

Here are some excellent books if you would like to read more on this topic of **Looking** for the blessed hope of Christ’s return!

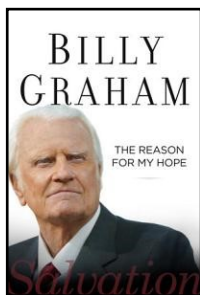


The Redeemer's Return by A. W. Pink

Early converts of the New Testament were instructed by the apostles to wait vigilantly for the second coming of Christ. Today, many have forgotten the task of preparing for Christ's return. In *The Redeemer's Return* Arthur W. Pink searches the Old and New Testament for information regarding Jesus' second coming. He first looks at examples of Biblical prophecies which foretell Christ's

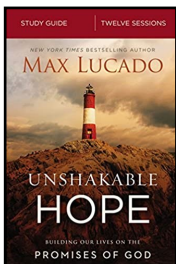
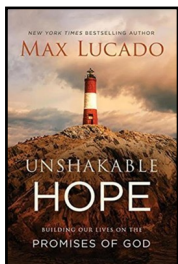
second coming. Then discusses the necessity of Jesus' return and explores signs leading to His arrival. Pink then discusses the events that will occur in the church and the world as a result of this momentous occasion. Arthur Walkington Pink was an English Christian evangelist and Biblical scholar known for his staunchly Calvinist and Puritan-like teachings. Though born to Christian parents, prior to conversion he migrated into a Theosophical society (an occult gnostic group popular in England during that time), and quickly rose in prominence within their ranks. His conversion came from his father's patient admonitions from Scripture. It was the verse, Proverbs 14:12, 'there is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death, which particularly struck his heart and compelled him to renounce Theosophy and follow Jesus.

Optional Books for Further Study



***The Reason for My Hope* by Billy Graham**

What is the most hopeful word in history? For Billy Graham, that word is salvation. Salvation from what? From our selfish and self-destructive selves. From the messes we get ourselves into. From the sin that has haunted humanity from the beginning of time and the evil that pulls us down every day. From the cultural deceptions that blind us to God's saving message. From the Hell so many don't believe in. If we don't think we need salvation, we're fooling ourselves. If we think we are beyond salvation, we're underestimating God. If we just don't want to think about salvation, we're putting ourselves in eternal peril. At the age of ninety-five Billy Graham proclaims God's Gospel with resolve and deep compassion. It is a message he has been preaching for more than seventy years. And in this book you will sense its urgency, filled with hope for the future. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved." Acts 16:31



***Unshakable Hope* by Max Lucado & the Study Guide that goes with it**

After forty years of ministry, I've discovered that nothing lifts the weary soul like the promises of God. This book contains some of my favorites. Many of them are go-to promises I've turned to throughout the years to encourage others. And to encourage myself. Don't we need them? We do not need more opinions or hunches; we need the definitive declarations of our mighty and loving God. He governs the world according to these great and precious promises. The circumstances of life or the promises of God—upon which are you standing?

November 10th Homework

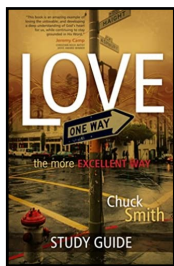
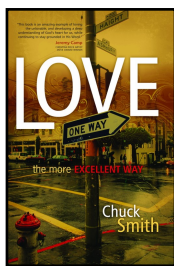
Guest Speaker: Jill Martin - CC Philadelphia

“Keep yourselves in the love of God, **looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.” Jude 1:21**

Read Jude 1:16-25 NKJV- ¹⁶ These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling *words*, flattering people to gain advantage. ¹⁷ But you, beloved, remember the words which were spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ: ¹⁸ how they told you that there would be mockers in the last time who would walk according to their own ungodly lusts. ¹⁹ These are sensual persons, who cause divisions, not having the Spirit. ²⁰ But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, ²¹ keep yourselves in the love of God, **looking** for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. ²² And on some have compassion, making a distinction; ²³ but others save with fear, pulling *them* out of the fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh. ²⁴ Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, And to present *you* faultless Before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, ²⁵ To God our Savior, Who alone is wise, *Be* glory and majesty, Dominion and power, Both now and forever. Amen.

Optional Books for Further Study

Here are some excellent books if you would like to read more on this topic of the **Love** of God!

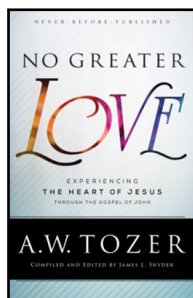


Love The More Excellent Way
by Chuck Smith & the Study Guide
that goes with it

The loneliness of existence, the empty feeling of walking through life by yourself, searching for something greater—a purpose and a meaning! We all have trodden down this path at one

time or another. All generations have had to grapple with this search—be it the youth culture of today, the 1960’s hippies, or the 1360’s knights in shining armor. It doesn’t matter what generation the person lived, the truth is we are all looking for love and meaning. One thinker has said that there is a God-shaped hole in each of us. Until we fill that hole with the love of God in Christ, we will continue to walk our journey lonely, empty, and confused. The good news is that God has demonstrated His love for us—sending Jesus to show us God’s love, which is the more excellent way.

Optional Books for Further Study



***No Greater Love* by A.W. Tozer**

The love of Jesus is love in action. God came in the flesh to show us what love looks like. How He loved while He walked the earth is how He loves now, and how He loves now is how we as believers are to love.

No Greater Love is a study of Jesus' interactions with people throughout the book of John, including Nicodemus, the woman at the well, and even the Pharisees. What did this love look like in action,

especially with those who were hard to love? He didn't love people because they deserved it; He loved them because He *is* love. With the problems in our culture today there is a need for this "Jesus love" that's available to all believers. May this book help you better know His love for you—which, in the end, will lead you to becoming more like Him.

November 17th Homework

Guest Speakers: Hannah Chandler & "The Hope of Heaven" DVD

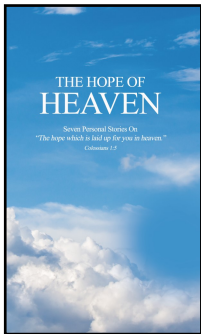
"Looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God...look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things."

2 Peter 3:12-14

Read 2 Peter 3:1-18 NKJV—¹Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in *both of* which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder),² that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior,³ knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts,⁴ and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of creation."⁵ For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water,⁶ by which the world *that* then existed perished, being flooded with water.⁷ But the heavens and the earth *which* are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.⁸ But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day *is* as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.⁹ The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come

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to repentance. ¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. ¹¹ Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you to be in holy conduct and Godliness, ¹² **looking** for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? ¹³ Nevertheless we, according to His promise, **look** for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. ¹⁴ Therefore, beloved, **looking** forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless. ¹⁵ and consider *that* the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation—as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, ¹⁶ as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable *people* twist to their own destruction, as *they do* also the rest of the Scriptures. ¹⁷ You therefore, beloved, since you know *this* beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; ¹⁸ but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him *be* the glory both now and forever. Amen.



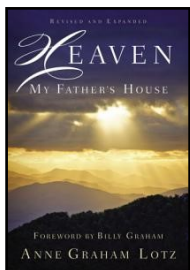
The Hope of Heaven

We will be showing ***The Hope of Heaven*** DVD at our last Study on 11/17. The word “Hope” expresses a positive expectation, an anticipation with measured confidence, a looking forward to some future benefit. But to have hope in life’s most difficult and sometimes most discouraging circumstances is to have substance beyond theory. It is to have hope in reality. The testimonies on this DVD are of that order. Hope beyond the present experience THE HOPE OF

HEAVEN. ~Pastor Joe Focht

Optional Books for Further Study

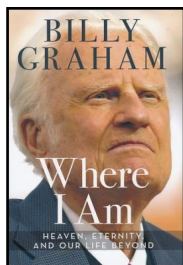
Here are some excellent books if you would like to read more on this topic of **Looking** forward to Heaven!



***Heaven My Father's House* by Anne Graham Lotz**

With over 40 percent new and revised content, Anne Graham Lotz has updated her classic book on Heaven for a whole new generation of readers, and also for herself. With her father, mother, and husband now gone, Lotz beautifully adds her own vulnerability and stories to the journey contained in *Heaven: My Father's House*. Jesus promised us, “In My Father’s house are many rooms...I

am going there to prepare a place for you.” Amid the turbulence of today’s world, we cling to the hope of a heavenly home where we will be welcomed into eternal peace and safety. Anne affirms that Heaven truly is the home of your dreams: a home of lasting value that’s fully paid for and filled with family, where you will be wanted and welcomed. Best of all, Heaven is a home you are invited to claim as your own.

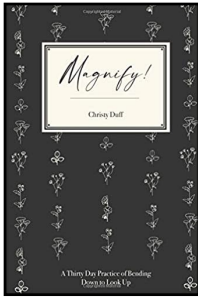


***Where I Am* by Billy Graham**

The Final Chapter from Billy Graham. While his earthly vision dims, the glory of Heaven is illuminated as Billy Graham, the beloved evangelist, shares from his past, and present, the reality of eternity. Although Billy Graham may no longer preach from the stadiums of the world, in this book you will sense his heart still beats strong with the resounding assurance that he will spend

eternity with Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world. In *Where I Am*, Mr. Graham invites and strongly encourages all of us to contemplate our eternal hope. When asked, “Where is Heaven?” Mr. Graham has wisely replied, “Heaven is where Jesus Christ is, and I’m going to Him soon.” The greatest promise ever given to the human race came from the lips of our Redeemer when Jesus said, “Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me...I go to prepare a place for you...I will come again and receive you to Myself; that *where I am*, there you may be also.” John 14:1-3 Just after his ninety-fifth birthday, Mr. Graham proclaimed with resolve, “When I die, tell others that I’ve gone to my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ—that’s *where I am*.”

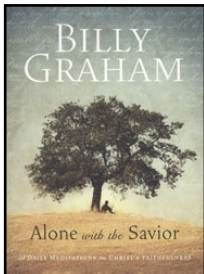
Recommended Daily Devotionals



***Magnify!* by Christy Duff**

We naturally magnify that which we think of often. Health problems, financial problem, marriage problems, single person problems, childrearing problems, housing problems, and transportation problems become bigger and bigger as we continually set our thoughts upon them!

Magnify! encourages us to take a thirty-day prayer journey, focusing on the one thing in life that really matters; our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He has given us all we need in His Word to run the race set before us with a peaceful heart and a settled mind. When this life below is fighting for our attention, we're encouraged instead to fight to keep our attention up above. Jesus told us to look up when the world around us becomes more and more chaotic, because it's a sure sign that our redemption is drawing near. It's a good time to look up through prayer!



***Alone with the Savior* by Billy Graham**

When you're alone with God, do you sense His loving presence? Do you truly feel that no matter what you do, He will never love you less—or love you more—than He does right now? In these 31 encouraging devotional reflections from *Decision* magazine, Billy Graham invites you to experience your constant Companion during every season life may bring.

It's Time for the Sonrise

“Now is our salvation nearer than when we believed”

Romans 13:11

When you talk about the coming of the Lord, the world says, “You’re a prophet of doom!” If you ask me, a gloomy message is what the ecologists are saying about our future. As I look around the world, I take great comfort in knowing that it won’t be long until the Lord comes!

I look around and see the turmoil. I see, as the Scripture says, “the distress of nations with perplexity.” The word “perplexity” translated from the Greek actually means “no way out.” We don’t know what to do! The economic experts are as confused as the public. They don’t want to admit it, because they’re afraid we’ll panic. The Bible says that the night is far spent and the day is at hand. The night of evil, the night of misery, the night of darkness of man’s history is about over! When I woke up just before dawn this morning, I looked outside. I could see vague outlines. I could make out the nearby trees. It was getting a little light in the eastern sky, just enough to see my way around. I knew that it wouldn’t be very long before the sky would be getting brighter and brighter. And then the day would dawn. Now there was a sign and evidence. The faint light in the eastern sky told me that the day was at hand.

When my wife and I were awaiting our first child, we came to the day the doctor said would be the probable date of birth. But our child wasn’t born. We waited another day. Still, she wasn’t born. We waited a third day, and she wasn’t born. I didn’t throw down my hat and yell at my wife, “You deceived me! I don’t think you’re going to have a baby!” No. I still believed that our baby was coming. There were positive signs and evidences. I couldn’t tell you the day or the hour. I didn’t become an unbeliever just because it didn’t happen the day we thought it was going to happen. In fact, with every day that went by we knew that the baby’s arrival was more and more imminent.

The Lord must be coming any time now. We know that we’re getting closer with each passing day. That’s what Paul meant when he said, “Now is our salvation nearer than when we believed” (Romans 13:11).

Taken from “Answers For Today” By Chuck Smith

Outreach for Calvary Chapel Word of Life

The Women's Ministry is doing an Outreach at our Bible Study for Calvary Chapel Word of Life. For more information you can visit their website at ccwordoflife.org. We will be selling small containers of Johnson's Popcorn, at the Study only, for \$5. All of the proceeds will go to Calvary Chapel Word of Life for their outreaches and ministry to the people of Philadelphia. Last year, we were able to collect \$3,083.25 to give to them! Thank you all for giving so generously!



Pastor Mark Abrams loves the Word of God and His people. He also has a heart for inner city missions and evangelism coupled with a desire to serve and partner with local pastors in inner city churches for the furtherance of the gospel. Mark has served many churches in the inner city as a missionary and has witnessed countless souls being ushered into God's kingdom. During that time Mark responded to God's call for him to settle down and start a Bible Study in North Philadelphia. Responding to the call, Calvary Chapel Word of Life was birthed, where he teaches the scripture verse by verse. Mark loves serving at Calvary Chapel Word of Life together with his family and has seen God add to their spiritual family a host of wonderful people that they labor with daily.



Pastor Mark Abrams

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Calvary Chapel Word of Life has adopted PTTI (Philadelphia Technician Training Institution). They have come alongside this post vocational trade school to minister to various students who come to this program downtrodden, brokenhearted and battered. They have also been able to share the love of Jesus Christ and several of the students have become a part of their fellowship. They are able to serve them in a number of ways: they provide them with steel toe work boots for those that cannot afford them; they feed them every Wednesday prior to the Bible Study and assist them with transportation, clothes, and short-term housing arrangements. Calvary Chapel Word of Life has recently moved to a new location in one of the neediest areas of North Philadelphia, Allegheny West (3201 North 16th Street). They have focused their attention on their upcoming mentorship ministry for young boys ages 8-14 of single moms and broken families within our fellowship and community. This ministry will have a dual impact on both the child and the single mother and family. They will be investing in each boy for six years coupled with introducing them to families living in the surrounding suburb. Each young boy will become part of their youth Bible Study, mentorship small groups and educational resource center. This ministry is starting in November of 2020.



Sunday Service



Outreach to the community

Testimonies

**“Come and hear, all you who fear God;
let me tell you what He has done for me.”
Psalm 66:16 NIV**

We will be posting videos of women sharing their testimonies on our website throughout the 5-week series. Go to **ccphilly.org/womens-ministry** and click on the 2020/2021 Bible Study page to watch them.



Dee Dee Ricker and Pat Zaborowski
shared their testimonies and you can
watch them online now.

“If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, “Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. For “whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.” Romans 10:9-13 NKJV

Testimonies

**“Look to Me, and be saved, all you ends of the earth!
For I am God, and there is no other.”
Isaiah 45:22 NKJV**

Father, we thank You for the wonderful hope You’ve given us—the glorious promise of Your coming kingdom, where we will dwell together in peace and in love, worshiping You.

I pray, Lord, for those right now who are not a part of Your kingdom. I pray that Your Spirit would speak to their hearts and draw them to You. We thank You, Lord, that You’ve opened the door and invited every man, that anyone who will listen may come in. I pray that those who are weary, those that are heavy-laden, those who are burdened down with the cares of this life, will come to You and submit their lives to You, and find the peace they so long for.

Let today be the day, Father, in which many would come into Your kingdom and begin to experience the joy and the blessing of knowing that their sins are forgiven, their hope is secure, and their future is eternal life in Your kingdom, world without end. Draw them, Father, by Your Holy Spirit.



