



faith church

## Women's Bible Studies

Fall 2018

September 6<sup>th</sup> – December 13<sup>th</sup>

### Who is God? Why does it matter?

**Leader:** Jan and Bruce Chester - [chester2jb@gmail.com](mailto:chester2jb@gmail.com)

**Day and Time:** Thursday mornings 9:30-11:30 (Fall and Spring)

**Description:** How do we really connect with God personally, intimately, and experientially? Wise counsel from the past has said, "We become what we worship". Through the format of teaching and discussing, this class will provide answers to questions about God that will expand your knowledge of Him and propel your own soul deeper into the realm of where He lives.

**Materials:** "The Knowledge of the Holy", by A.W. Tozer, and the Bible  
Christian Book \$8.49

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### Discerning the Voice of God by Priscilla Shirer

**Leader:** Joan Eklund - [joaneklund1@gmail.com](mailto:joaneklund1@gmail.com)

**Day and Time:** Thursday Mornings 9:30-11:30AM

**Description:** Discover the root to clear and daily communication with God—humble obedience. Learn how surrender unlocks His many blessings intended for us, centers us in His will, and helps us discern His voice in everyday life.

**Materials:** *Discerning the Voice of God Workbook* by Priscilla Shirer  
Lifeway \$12.99

[www.lifeway.com/en/product/discerning-the-voice-of-god-bible-study-book-revised-P005797596](http://www.lifeway.com/en/product/discerning-the-voice-of-god-bible-study-book-revised-P005797596)

### None Like Him by Jen Wilkin

**Leader:** Jennifer French - [french.jemp@gmail.com](mailto:french.jemp@gmail.com)

**Day and Time:** Thursday Mornings 9:30-11:30AM

**Description:** Join me as we study ten of the attributes of God ... "Ten ways God is different from us, and why that's a good thing." This study will need 1-2 hours of prep each week. This will not be a boring, academic study- here's why we should study the attributes of God: "Our limitations are by design. We were never meant to be God. But at the root of every sin is our rebellious desire to possess attributes that belong to God alone. Calling us to embrace our limits as a means of glorifying God's limitless power, Jen Wilkin invites us to celebrate the freedom that comes when we rest in letting God be God."

**Materials:** *None Like Him* by Jen Wilkin  
Christian Book \$8.99

[www.christianbook.com/none-like-ways-god-different-from/jen-wilkin/9781433549830/pd/549830?event=ESRCG](http://www.christianbook.com/none-like-ways-god-different-from/jen-wilkin/9781433549830/pd/549830?event=ESRCG)

## **God of Creation** by Jen Wilkin

**Leader:** Sandy Howard - [srshoward@fuse.net](mailto:srshoward@fuse.net)

**Day and Time:** Thursday Mornings 9:30-11:30AM

**Description:** The opening lines and chapters of Genesis teach us fundamental truths about God. We watch Him bring light after darkness, order after chaos, and rest after toil—all through the power of His Word. Over 10 sessions of verse-by-verse study, dive into the first 11 chapters of Genesis by following three critical stages of understanding: comprehension, interpretation, and application. Teaching videos are key to the understanding of this study. Revisit familiar stories and historical figures, challenge your basic knowledge, and discover deeper meanings in the text. As God reveals Himself through Scripture, we can only begin to understand ourselves when we first glimpse the character, attributes, and promises of our Creator.

**Materials:** *God of Creation Workbook* by Jen Wilkin

Lifeway \$12.99

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## **Poised to Hear and Obey**

**Leader:** Patty Hunt - [hunt.pattyw@gmail.com](mailto:hunt.pattyw@gmail.com)

**Day and Time:** Thursday Mornings 9:30-11:30AM

**Description:** Do you yearn for deep spiritual transformation? This year-long study will focus on practicing the spiritual disciplines that position us to hear and obey God thus becoming like Him and living life His way. Using a 3-book series by James Bryan Smith, we will focus on our intimacy with God, our inward character and living out Jesus' kingdom vision. Weekly reading assignments, practicing the disciplines taught and a commitment to the group are required. After doing this series last year with a wide variety of ages and spiritual maturity, this class is for anyone who wants to be challenged to live out the kingdom of God, but it will take a commitment to prepare, practice and participate. Class size is limited so please contact Patty with any questions.

**Materials:** *The Good and Beautiful God, The Good and Beautiful Life, The Good and Beautiful Community* by James Bryan Smith before the first class. Each are available used and new on Amazon. Hard copy preferred for underlying.

## **When Life is Hard** by James MacDonald

**Leader:** Angie Kress - [angiekress@fuse.net](mailto:angiekress@fuse.net)

**Day and Time:** Thursday Mornings 9:30-11:30AM

**Description:** How do we make sense of Trials and Suffering? Why do we have them? What do we do with them? God has a lot to say in His Word to answer those questions and encourage us as we walk through the Hard Times in this Life together!

**Materials:** *When life is Hard* by James MacDonald Workbook (you will need this)

Christian Book \$9.99

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## **1 Peter** by Jen Wilkin

**Leader:** Mary Norton - [marynorton428@gmail.com](mailto:marynorton428@gmail.com)

**Day and Time:** Thursday Mornings 9:30-11:30AM

**Description:** Do you want to learn how to study God's Word? Jen Wilkins' book on First Peter is an excellent resource for learning a process for Bible study. Each week we'll read through 1 Peter then focus on a few verses in depth. Along the way, we'll cover the difficult topics of suffering and submission and what it means to experience the Living Hope we have in Christ.

**Materials:** *1 Peter Workbook* by Jen Wilkin

Lifeway \$12.99

[www.lifeway.com/en/product/1-peter-bible-study-book-P005772639](http://www.lifeway.com/en/product/1-peter-bible-study-book-P005772639)

## **The Armor of God** by Priscilla Shirer

**Leader:** Becky Fair, Kathy Fuller, Karen Palmer - [kmuellerpalmer@gmail.com](mailto:kmuellerpalmer@gmail.com)

**Day and Time:** Wednesday Mornings 9:30-11:30AM (September 5-December 12)

**Description:** What exactly is spiritual warfare and what resources have we been given to deal with it? In Priscilla Shirer's study *The Armor of God*, we will focus on Ephesians 6: 10-19, along with other biblical passages to help us explore these questions and develop a personalized strategy - heavily dependent on prayer- to secure victory against the enemy.

**Materials:** *The Armor of God Workbook* by Priscilla Shirer

Lifeway \$12.99

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## **Women of the Word**

**Leader:** Marie Gore - [goremarie@aol.com](mailto:goremarie@aol.com)

**Day and Time:** Monday Evenings 7:00-9:00PM (Begins September 17)

**Description:** We have fun, fellowship and sometimes food as we apply Romans 15:4,

"For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, so that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope."

We will explore the history of the Jewish nation, the character of God, the messianic prophecies and much more as we proceed through the Old Testament book by book. No required homework.

**Materials:** Bible and Notebook

## **James: Faith/Works** by Matt Chandler

**Leader:** Sandy Deel - [sandydeel@fuse.net](mailto:sandydeel@fuse.net)

**Day and Time:** Thursday Evenings 7:00-9:00PM

**Description:** How do we really connect with God personally, intimately, and experientially? Wise counsel from the past has said, "We become what we worship". Through the format of teaching and discussing, this class will provide answers to questions about God that will expand your knowledge of Him and propel your own soul deeper into the realm of where He lives. James had a unique earthly relationship with Jesus, but his letter clarifies what the Christian life should look like for us all. The Book of James is filled with practical wisdom for Christians, calling us to live out genuine faith through good works, but it is also rooted in rich theology. Perhaps more than any other book in the New Testament, James emphasizes the application of Christian belief. This 13-session study examines the core message of James: the relationship between faith and works. In our own ability, we cannot stand in the face of adversity. Without faith we could never find the strength to trust God. We would never be able to see above the trials we meet and to keep our eyes focused on the King while counting our trials as joy. This is the essence of James. We don't work to be saved; we work because we are saved. Faith apart from works can never be sustained.

**Materials:** James Bible Study Book by Matt Chandler

Lifeway \$12.99

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