

“THE TALK OF TOWNLEY”

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

New Bible Study Coming!

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Our next Bible Study will be *The Bible* taken from the *Six Themes Everyone Should Know* series. This book takes a wide-angle look at the Bible rather than focusing on a specific biblical book as other studies do. The great arc of God’s mission is traced “From the Garden to the Garden City.” Barry Ensign-George is the author and looks at themes that begin in the early chapters of Genesis, span the pages of Scripture, and end with the glorious vision of the book of Revelation—of the new Jerusalem, the city of the redeemed of God.

This study invites us to consider a grand sweep of the Bible. The expectation is that the six sessions of this study will be valuable in helping us make our own explorations of Scripture. It serves as a helper in enabling us to consider other aspects of Scripture over a longer period of time. In other words, it is designed to awaken a greater desire to look deeper into the Word of God.

We will meet on Wednesday evenings beginning on May 15 – at 6:00 PM. Six sessions over six weeks. See you there.

 Six Themes
Everyone Should Know

The Bible

GIVE

In January, a simple model for ministry and a call to action were presented: **Connect = Serve = Invite = Give.** By putting these single words into phrases, it is clearer to see what deeper engagement with our mission looks like: **Connect** = Choose a Group to be involve with. **Serve** = Join the Mission. **Invite** = Bring a Friend. **Give** = Give Generously of Yourself.

Last month’s focus was on **Invite** – as in bring a friend. We were encouraged that to bring a friend meant we first must *be a friend*. This month our focus is on **Give**.

A little girl became restless as the pastor's sermon dragged on and on. Finally, she leaned over to her mother and whispered, "Mommy, if we give him the money now, will he let us go?"

All too often, the church is associated with the giving of money. If the pastor mentions the word “give”, he/she must be thinking about money. Then when you think money... Thoughts turn to “I don’t have any” or “I’ve given enough”.

Let’s not think money, let’s think giving. Giving as in giving God all of our attention! Giving God all of our love! Giving God all of our devotion and faithful service! Stop and realize that God has given us life today. God has given us the gifts we have and wants us to use them. We have been called by His grace to serve Him. Let’s give Him our all. Give of your substance to help those in need. And even if you don’t have a dollar in your pocket, you can still give encouragement to the discouraged. **GIVE.**

FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY – FRONT STEPS DEDICATION

Please mark your calendars! On the first of June, June 2nd, we will be having our Annual Friends and Family Day. This years’ service will also include the Dedication of our recently rebuilt front steps. Let us celebrate how richly God continues to bless Townley. His blessings are evident in His people and His building. *Invite friend and family to join us.* More info to follow on program and food.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO ASSIST THE SET UP FOR
AND RUMMAGE SALE**

| May 2019 | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |

Mark your calendar!

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MAY DATES

Prayer: *Every Monday 4:00-5:00 PM*

May 5

- Third Sunday of Easter - Holy Communion

May 6-9

- Rummage Sale ***Set up:*** 10:30 AM TO 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

May 10

- Rummage Sale: 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

May 11

- Rummage Sale: 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

May 12

- Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 15

- Bible Study 6:00 PM
- Session Meeting 7:30 PM

May 18

- Roadhouse 7:30 PM

May 19

- Fifth Sunday of Easter
- Book Club, right after service
- Delaire Nursing Home Visitation 2:00 PM

May 22

- Bible Study 6:00 PM

May 26

- Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 29

- Bible Study 6:00 PM

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