

MBC Weekly Update for May 13, 2022

Spotlight on Upcoming Events:

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DISCOVER MBC

HOW DO YOU FIT IN AT MBC? COME LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR MISSION, MINISTRIES, & LEADERSHIP!

NEXT CLASS:
MAY 15, 22, 29, AND JUNE 5TH
9AM UPSTAIRS IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOM
LIGHT BREAKFAST & CHILDCARE PROVIDED
RSVP IN CONNECT@MBC OR ON THE MBC WEBSITE

Discover MBC

Are you new to the family here at MBC? Want to know more about our vision, mission, strategies and leadership? ***It's not too late to sign up for our next series of Discover MBC classes, starting this Sunday, May 15, and running the next three Sundays--May 22nd, 29th, and June 5th upstairs in the Middle School room.*** These classes are a gateway for those wanting to become MBC member/partners. Childcare and breakfast provided. RSVP by [clicking here](#).

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MBC STUDENTS

**CAMP
PARENT
MEETING**

TODAY following 2nd
service in the MS Room
Lunch provided

MBC Students Camp Meeting

There will be a meeting for the parents of students planning to attend camp this Sunday, May 15th at 12:30pm upstairs in the Middle School room. Lunch is provided. If you have a student planning to attend camp this year, please plan to attend!



COFFEE CONNECT
SAT, MAY 21st
8:30 - 10:00am
LIGHTHOUSE COFFEE

**COME FELLOWSHIP AND
MAKE NEW FRIENDS!**

**WOMEN
CONNECT**

The poster features a dark background with white text. On the left, there is an illustration of a teacup and saucer with the word 'TEA' written on the cup. On the right, there is an illustration of a coffee mug with the word 'COFFEE' written on it. The Women Connect logo, which consists of a stylized cross symbol, is located in the bottom right corner.

MBC Women Connect Coffee

Join Stacey Walter and other women of MBC for coffee and conversation at Lighthouse Coffee in Midlothian on Saturday, May 21st from 8:30-10am. [Click here](#) to let Stacey know you're coming!



Senior Sunday
May 22 10:15am

**Please join us for a reception in The Hub
to celebrate the Class of 2022**

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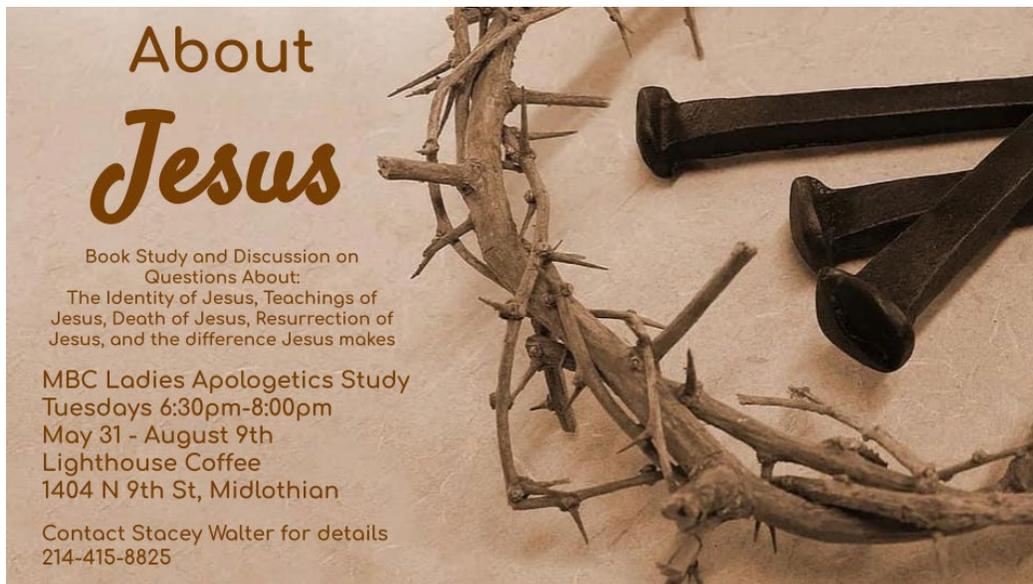
Encourage a Senior today!

Do you have a favorite Bible verse?

Drop by The Hub and highlight your favorite verse to bless & encourage our graduating seniors!

Senior Sunday

Come celebrate our graduating seniors next Sunday, May 22nd! We will have a reception for them in the Hub starting at 10:15am! Starting on May 15th, we will have Bibles in the Hub for each graduating senior. Please make sure to take a minute and mark a favorite verse or two in each Bible! This creates a special and encouraging gift for them from our entire community here at MBC! I can attest from seeing all the notes in our daughter's graduation Bible from last year what a meaningful gift this is!



About
Jesus

Book Study and Discussion on
Questions About:
The Identity of Jesus, Teachings of
Jesus, Death of Jesus, Resurrection of
Jesus, and the difference Jesus makes

MBC Ladies Apologetics Study
Tuesdays 6:30pm-8:00pm
May 31 - August 9th
Lighthouse Coffee
1404 N 9th St, Midlothian

Contact Stacey Walter for details
214-415-8825

MBC Women Connect

Starting May 31st, the women of MBC will be studying apologetics with Stacey Walter at Lighthouse Coffee in Midlothian on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8pm. [Click here](#) to email Stacey if you would like more information.



MBC Moms Connect

We have started a new ministry--Moms Connect--to bring together moms of all ages and stages here at MBC. This summer, they will be hosting a series of "Park Tours" in and around Midlothian. Plan to join the group at their first Park Day at the Midlothian Community Park and Splashpad on June 2nd from 9am-12pm. These park days will be our launch pad for an exciting new "MOPS-ish" ministry to moms of children ages birth -11 starting in September! If you would like more information about how you can get involved with this new group, please contact the church office by [clicking here](#).



MBC Welcome Basket Ministry

Don't forget that we need your help delivering MBC Welcome baskets to families moving to Midlothian. If you encounter a visitor here on Sunday morning or if you notice someone new in your neighborhood,

please go get them a basket from the Coffee Counter or front entrance. A group of volunteers will also be delivering these baskets on various Wednesday evenings throughout the summer. [Click here](#) if you are interested in joining us as we take prayer walks through the neighborhoods closest to MBC and hand out baskets along the way.

Sermon Recap for May 5, 2022

Title: Transformed Moms Renew Their Minds

Passage: Romans 12:2 & Select Scripture

Transformed Mom's Renew Their Minds by:

1. Remembering transformation is a process (Romans 12:2a)
2. Being aware of the threats to your thinking (Romans 12:1-2)
 - Spiritual Warfare (John 8:44; 2 Corinthians 11:3; Genesis 3:1-5)
 - The World System (Romans 12:2)
 - Our Flesh (Romans 8:5-6)

Identifying the Lies and Replace With Scriptural Truth:

- Identify the lie that motherhood is a woman's highest calling. Replace with the truth-- ***Glorifying God is a woman's highest calling.*** (1 Corinthians 10:31)
- Identify the lie that my child's bad choice means I'm a bad mom. Replace with the truth-- ***We are responsible for stewarding our children's growth, but God brings the growth.*** (2 Corinthians 3:5-6)

Transformed mom's renew their minds by identifying lies and replacing them with truth!

Thoughts

As I mentioned last week, ***our thoughts have a great influence over what feel, and our feelings greatly influence how we behave.*** The ***thoughts we believe are the seeds. Those seeds then grow into our behaviors and emotions.***

Sometimes when I'm with a client, the Lord opens my eyes to show me a falsehood that person might be believing which is causing that person anguish or stress. For example, if a woman believed the lie Pastor Matt described from last week's message that "My child's bad choice means I am a bad mom," she might feel personal anguish when her child fails at something or makes a mistake. I've been there myself! If we view our children as little reflections of us, we put an incredible burden on them, and we set ourselves up for disappointment.

However, it's not just moms who struggle with this issue—***everyone can be vulnerable to letting false messages take root in our heads.*** My supervisor told me that counseling is really like helping people garden. If I see a weed—a negative lie someone is believing—my job is to help identify it to my client so that my client can pull it out and plant something else in its place.

Here's the best part, though. You don't have to be a counselor to do this! You can even try it on yourself! ***If you pray for wisdom—which God says He gives to us without reprimand (James 1:5)-- God may give you insight into a "weed" growing in your mental garden that is causing you to view things incorrectly.*** Then, you had better pray some more because ***pulling weeds is tiring work, and it's only half the job. If you really want to see change in your life, you will need to replace the thought weed with a truth in its place or another weed is just going to grow back in its place.***

For example, if the ***weed in your life is fear, you can replant the space with 1 Timothy 1:7, "For God did not give us a spirit of fear but of power and love and self-control."*** Deuteronomy 31:6, Psalm 112:7, 1 John 4:18, or Isaiah 12 are also excellent "flowers" to plant in your mental garden here. ***If your thought weed has to do with worrying about the future, replant the space with Philippians 4:6-7, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, with prayer and supplication, make your request known to God and the peace that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus" or Matthew 6.***

Mental landscaping isn't just for moms—it's for all of us. I hope you will join me in some holy gardening this next week!

In service to Him and to you!
Heather Hogue