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Solomon wrote, “Of making many books there is no end, and much study wears the body” ([Ecclesiastes 12:12](#)). Any student who has pulled an all-nighter, crammed for a test, memorized an equation, or pored over a textbook can verify the truth of that statement. Solomon’s point was that there are more important things than simply amassing knowledge—namely, fearing God and obeying Him (verses 13-14).

That is not to say that education is unimportant. In fact, Jesus Himself learned. One of the only things we know of His childhood is that He “grew in wisdom” as He grew “in stature” (Luke 2:52). That

that He grew in wisdom as He grew in stature ([Luke 2:52](#)). That is, the Son of God voluntarily put Himself in a position where He needed to assimilate knowledge as a man. Education was part of the process.

The church has historically promoted education and the improvement of the mind. The Reformer John Calvin was a strong advocate for universal education, believing that every child should be trained in reading, writing, math, and grammar, as well as religion. Martin Luther taught that education was essential, “both to understand the Word of Scripture and the nature of the world in which the Word would take root.” The modern [Sunday school](#) movement began in 1780 when Robert Raikes began educating poor children who were otherwise overlooked by society. Most universities, including Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Oxford, and Cambridge, were founded by Christians as religious schools.

In the book of Proverbs, a son is exhorted to heed his father’s instruction, and the application of the knowledge learned is called wisdom. The word *education* may not appear in the English form in the Bible, but Scripture does say a lot about the process of education, and it begins with the parent and child. The command to parents is to nurture their children in the Lord ([Ephesians 6:4](#)), and the Greek word *paideia*, translated “nurture” in the KJV, carries with it the idea of training, education, instruction and discipline.

Solomon tells us that the basis of all true knowledge is the [fear of the Lord](#) ([Proverbs 1:7](#)). The word *fear* here does not carry the idea of terror or dread; rather, it is awe and reverence for the holiness and majesty of God and a reluctance to disappoint or disobey Him. Jesus said that when we know the truth, the truth will make us free ([John 8:32](#)). Freedom from fear comes from being educated in Truth.

In Romans, the apostle Paul uses the word *know* or *knowing* eleven times. What are we to know? God’s Word. When we acquire spiritual knowledge and apply it to our lives, we serve the Lord in spirit and truth ([Romans 6:11-13](#)). Theology has been called “the [queen of the sciences](#)” because our knowledge of God informs every other area of erudition.

The Christian is to “study to shew thyself approved unto God” ([2 Timothy 2:15, KJV](#)). The NIV renders this verse, “Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.” The Greek word translated “study” means “to give diligence, to exert oneself, or to make haste to apply oneself.” Therefore, in order to educate ourselves, we must apply ourselves to study with diligence the Word of God.

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Some people see education as a cure-all for society's ills. However, education, in and of itself, does nothing to combat ungodliness. In fact, knowledge, apart from the love of God, leads to pride ([1 Corinthians 8:1](#)). Nicodemus was "Israel's teacher," yet he did not understand even the basics of spiritual life ([John 3:10](#)). Paul was a highly educated man, having been trained in the best Jewish school of his day ([Acts 22:3](#)), and he used his education to communicate effectively to people of many cultures ([Acts 17:28](#); [Titus 1:12](#)). Yet Paul's education certainly did not make him holy ([1 Timothy 1:16](#)), and he warned of those who were "always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth" ([2 Timothy 3:7](#)). Simply knowing facts does not make one a better person, and it is indeed possible to be a highly educated fool.

Education begins with the reality of God's existence and the fact that He has communicated to us through creation, His Word, and His Son. As we learn more of God's creation, our understanding of God's wisdom and power deepens. As we study God's Word, we become more equipped for God's work ([2 Timothy 3:16-17](#)). As we grow in our knowledge of God's Son ([2 Peter 3:18](#)), our love for Him increases and our service for Him intensifies.

<https://www.gotquestions.org/Bible-education.html>

Highlights this Month

Outline of 2 Samuel
by: Pastor Jimmy

[An Outline of 2 Samuel.pdf](#)

Guest Writers

A Confession for Your Children - KCM

What Does the Bible say about Disrespectful Children?
Got Questions

Prayers for your Children as they return to School

Announcements

Discipleship Class... 9:15 AM

Downstairs in the Fellowship Hall
with Darla Hoagland

WORSHIP SERVICE...10:30 AM

KIDS UNITED... 10:30 AM

Downstairs in the Fellowship Hall following the morning praise & worship. Please Note: The 3rd Sunday of the month is Family Day & all children will remain in the sanctuary for service.

NOTE: Believe it or not!...**Christmas Play Practice** begins Wednesday, August 27th. Make sure to have your children here!
Thank You!

QUILTING MINISTRY

Mondays - 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Downstairs in the Fellowship Hall
See Evelyn House for Details

Wednesday Evening

6:00-6:20 PM - Praise & Worship

6:20-6:50 PM - Preaching/Teaching

6:50-7:15 PM - Prayer

Teens United

Downstairs following Praise & Worship.
We will begin teaching from the book "Why Tongues."



Bless the Children & Water Baptism

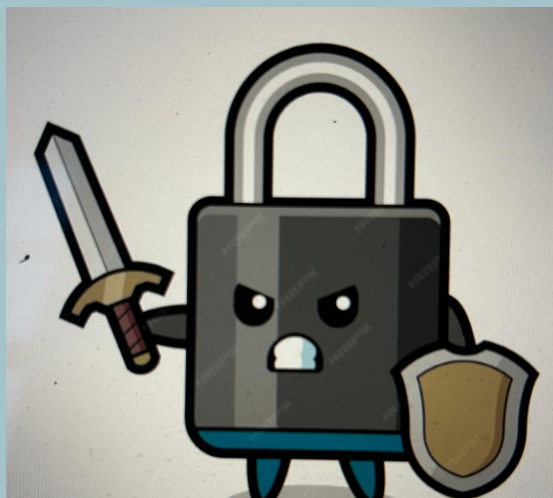
Sunday, August 10th

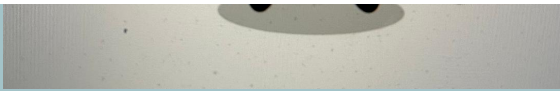
At the conclusion of the service, we will be praying over all of the children/teens returning to school, ending with a water baptism.

Sign up in the vestibule if you plan on being baptized. Also, bring towel and change of clothes.



If you would like to support the Richmond Campus and/or Bless the Blue financially, please mark your offering accordingly.





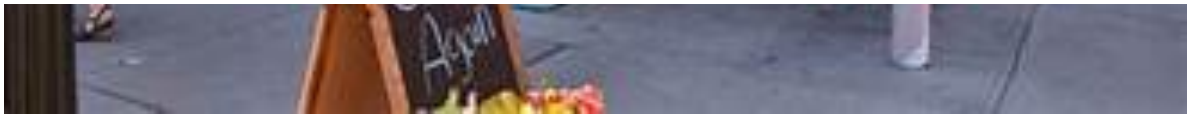
As a security precaution, all church doors will be locked during the service.
Thank you for your understanding.

Nursery Workers Needed

We would love to have more hands to care for
our babies and toddlers on Sunday mornings!

See Pastor Melissa about volunteering in our Nursery. We thank you for
your heart to serve in your local church.





Sunday, August 6th, Teens United will be going to Hoggy's for fun, fellowship and ice-cream!



***Saturday, August 9th
9:00 AM***

Girlfriends will meet at First Watch for Breakfast at 9:00 AM. Bring your appetite and a friend! Pastor Melissa will need a headcount by Sunday, August 2nd. Sign up in the vestibule.

***2025 Empowered Women's Ministries
Enough Conference***

September 11-13, 2025

Glenstone Lodge

504 Airport Road

Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Speaker: Stephanie Wheeler

Worship Leader: Bekka Korosec & Shelly Gullette

Registration due Aug. 15

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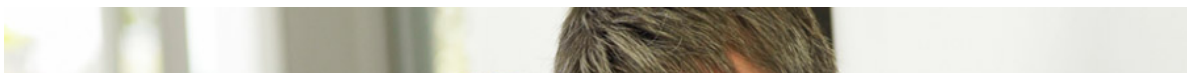
\$110 - Unregistered

**Ladies are responsible for their individual accommodation
reservations**

ENOUGH

***Refining Our Identity
Through the Nature of God***

See Pastor Melissa for additional information





A CONFESSION FOR YOUR CHILDREN

God's mercy hovers over my child. The covenant I have with God in the blood of Jesus extends to my children (and grandchildren)--covering them completely. Everything God gives to me, He'll give to my children including peace and protection. I lay hold of God's plans and promises for my children by faith, and I call those things of change to come to pass in their lives.

I believe God for my child's deliverance and salvation. I put all of my trust in the Lord concerning my children (and grandchildren) and am filled with joy because I know they are turning to the Lord. No matter how far away my children seem to be, there is no place where God can't reach them. I'm not moved by what I see, but by what the Word says. I believe that Christ will capture their hearts, and they will follow and obey Him.

Scripture References: Psalms 103:7, Romans 4:17, Zechariah 10:7-9, Proverbs 22:6, Philippians 3:12

https://www.kcm.org/real-help/relationships/speak/confession-your-children?language_content_entity=en-US



What does the Bible say about disrespectful children?

They are the bane of restaurant diners. They create chaos, stress, and embarrassment for their parents and everyone else. And in a culture where unearned affirmations and self-expression are seen as inalienable rights, disrespectful and disobedient children are becoming more common. Disrespectful children are not a credit to anyone ([Proverbs 17:25](#)), including themselves, and the Bible has much to say about them.

Before we lay the blame on disrespectful children, we need to start with the parents and/or caregivers. Children are born with an inherited sin nature ([Psalm 51:5](#); [Romans 3:23](#)). No child is naturally respectful. They must be diligently trained to behave in socially acceptable ways. Simply telling a child what to do is not the same as training him or her ([Proverbs 22:6](#)). So the fault for disrespectful children rests upon the shoulders of those who should have trained them and did not.

To continue reading, click the link below:

<https://www.gotquestions.org/disrespectful-children.html>



PRAYERS FOR YOUR CHILDREN AS THEY RETURN TO SCHOOL

Whether you're sending your child off to school each day or home-schooling them, every child will face a variety of temptations and moments that can become defining moments. As a parent or educator, you don't

that can become defining moments. As a parent or educator, you don't have to face it alone, and neither does your child. Below are prayers and Bible verses to speak over your children and students during their school day.

1. A Prayer For Courage: Dear God, as my child walks into school, I pray that Your strength and peace will cover them each and every day. Remind them they can turn to You when they feel scared or discouraged, and You will give them exactly what they need. I humbly ask that You will remind them that they don't have to do this life alone because You are always with them. No matter what obstacles come their way, I pray they will find strength and courage in You alone.

This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. (Joshua 1:9)

2. A Prayer For Kindness:

Empower and remind my child to be kind to every single person they encounter at school. Lord, clothe them with Your mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience so they will glorify You. I pray they will show kindness to their classmates and the staff. If a time comes when kindness is not shown to them, may they feel Your presence all around them enabling them to be a light for You even when it is difficult.

“Since God chose you to be the holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony.” (Colossians 3:12-14)

3. A Prayer For Protection

Lord, I humbly ask You to protect each and every child, including my own, as they go to school every day. I won't be there to protect them, but I have peace knowing You are their refuge and ultimate protector. Therefore, I ask that their emotional, spiritual, mental, and physical health will be guarded and protected by Your mighty hand. Thank You for caring for them.

“Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.” (Isaiah 41:10)

“For the angel of the Lord is a guard; He surrounds and defends all who fear Him.” (Psalm 34:7)

4. A Prayer For Resilience

School isn't always easy. You know this, God, but I praise You for You are an ever-present help in times of hardship. I am asking You to pour out Your strength and reminders of Your peace and power on my child each day. When they face a hard subject, have a problem with friends, get in trouble, or simply feel fatigued from school in general, I ask that You will uphold them with Your mighty hand and restore them. Please encourage them when times are tough. I pray they are able to rest well when they return home from school and that You will restore them for the next day. You are our sustainer; please sustain my child. Thank You, Jesus.

“God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble.” (Psalm 46:1)



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