

Church Staff Retreat: Our office will be closed Tuesday & Wednesday.

Together in the Middle—Wednesday, May 1, 6:30pm in the Coffee Shop

We will honor the National Day of Prayer, inviting anyone in the church to join us for intercessory prayer as we lift up prayers for our nation and our leaders.

Welcome Group—Wednesday, May 1 @ 6:30pm at New Harvest

If you are relatively new to the church, this community group is a great place to get connected. Write “Welcome Group” on a Connection Card if you would like to attend.

Adopt-A-Street—Street Cleanup—Saturday, May 4th, 9-11 am

If you would like to join us in serving our community by picking up trash on Hawthorne Avenue between Silverton Road, and Portland Road, write “Adopt-a-Street” on a Connection Card or sign up in the Lobby.

Smart & Ready—1st Saturday Men’s Meeting—May 4th, 8-9am

Join us Saturday morning. Our topic is “Witness Protection Program.”

Technology & the Family: Sunday May 5th, 5-7pm.

In the last 20 years the greatest societal shift is the exponential increase of time we spend interacting with digital technology devices. Join us for our event on Technology and the Family as we explore the rightful place in our lives for these devices. Children’s classes and activities available for infant-5th grade. Dinner at 6:30pm. Sign up on the Connection Card or in the Lobby.

Upcoming Events

Missions Night—Thursday, May 9th @ 7pm in the Coffee

We will learn more about fellow brothers and sisters who are experiencing persecution as they represent Jesus around the globe. We will pray for them as well.

Child Dedication on Mother’s Day, May 12th

If you would like to participate, please fill out a card in the Lobby and place it in the Offering Slot or give it to Barry.

Check out our Cry Room & Nursing Room — Both are upstairs, overlooking the Auditorium.

Welcome Guests & Visitors

We are delighted you chose to attend our gathering today. Ask for a visitor packet at the Information Stand in the Lobby. It includes a gift magnet, a letter from our Pastor, and information about our church.

We have an Offering Slot in the Lobby for your tithes & offerings. Tithes & offerings help support the ministry of New Harvest. Thank you for your generous giving.

WHY DID HE RISE?

Hebrews 12:5-11

Love Through Discipline (v. 5-8)

Responses to Discipline:

1. Accept it with reservations
2. Accept it with _____
3. Accept it to get past it
4. _____ God for it
5. Accept it with _____

Life is not a series of difficult circumstances we endure in order to get to the finish line. Life is a series of difficult circumstances given to us that _____ us to get to the finish line _____.

The blessings God desires to give us come through adversity, hardship, and discipline.

Why Discipline? (v. 9-11)

“They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness.”
Hebrews 12:10

Perspective	What is discipline?	Outcome of discipline	Posture to discipline
Secularism	Restriction	Learn how to avoid it	
Religion		Equipped for moral deeds	Get through it
Christianity			

Why Did He Rise?

“Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.” 1st Peter 1:21

Discussion Questions

- 1) What is a circumstance in your life that feels like a hardship or even a discipline from God?
- 2) What has your response to this discipline been? How might it shift?
- 3) Does your perspective on discipline tend to reflect the secular, religious, or Christian perspective as outlined in the notes?

