

# Welcome

We are glad that you have joined us for worship.

**September 14, 2025**

## **Worship Theme**

Steward the Truth  
as God's Greatest  
Good

Pastor Brian Roloff



## OPENING HYMN: #642

*O Word of God Incarnate (vs.1-3)*

V1.        O Word of God incarnate,  
             O Wisdom from on high,  
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,  
             O Light of our dark sky,  
we praise you for the radiance  
that from the hallowed page,  
a lantern to our footsteps,  
shines on from age to age.

V2. The Church from you, dear Master,  
received the gift divine,  
and still that light is lifted  
o'er all the earth to shine.

It is the chart and compass  
that, all life's voyage through,  
mid mists and rocks and quicksands  
still guides, O Christ, to you.

V3. O make your Church, dear Savior,  
a lamp of purest gold,  
to bear before the nations  
your true light, as of old.  
O teach your wand'ring pilgrims  
by this their path to trace  
till, clouds and darkness ended,  
they see you face to face.

*Please stand*

## **INVOCATION**

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

# LITANY OF TRUTH

(selected verses of Psalm 25 & 86)

**P:** To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; in you I trust, O my God.

**C:** Do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

P: No one whose hope is in you will  
ever be put to shame,

**C: but they will be put to shame who  
are treacherous without excuse.**

P: Show me your ways, O LORD, teach  
me your paths;

**C: guide me in your truth and teach  
me, for you are God my Savior, and  
my hope is in you all day long.**



P: Remember, O LORD, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

**C: Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you are good, O LORD.**

P: Good and upright is the LORD;  
therefore he instructs sinners in his  
ways.

**C: He guides the humble in what is  
right and teaches them his way.**

P: Teach me your way, O LORD, and I  
will walk in your truth;

**C: give me an undivided heart, that I  
may fear your name.**

P: I will praise you, O Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever.

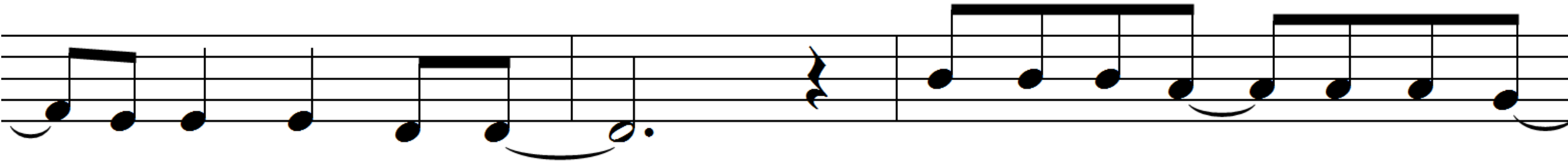
**C: For great is your love toward me;  
you have delivered me from the  
depths of the grave.**

P: As those who have been forgiven,  
redeemed, and saved by the God of  
truth, let us joyfully commit  
ourselves to the truth with song...

# SONG: *I Will Delight In the Law of the Lord*



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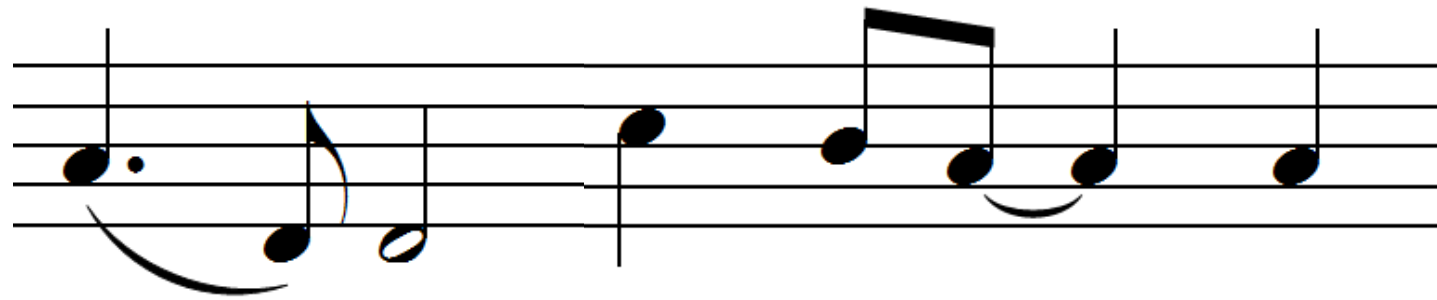


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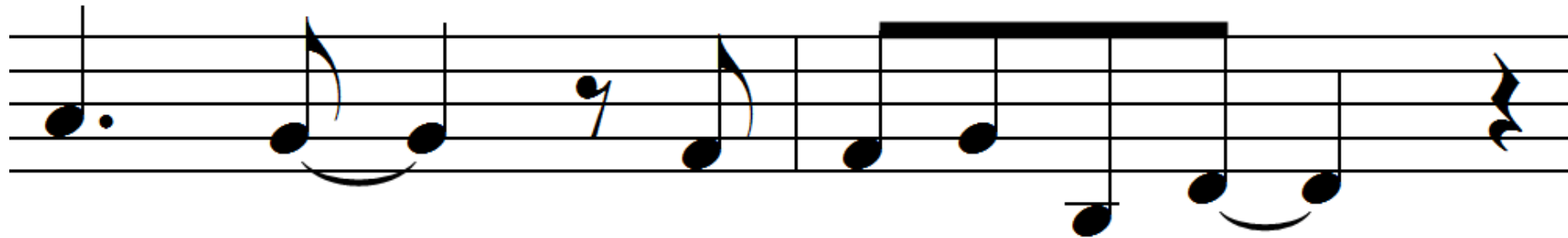
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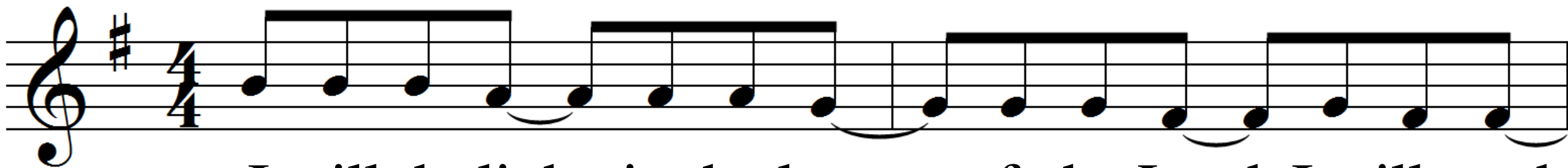
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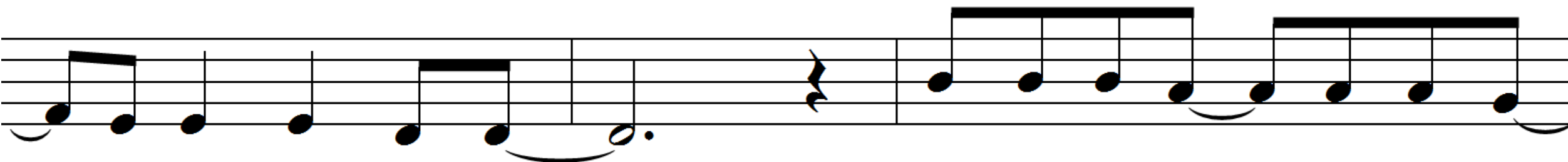
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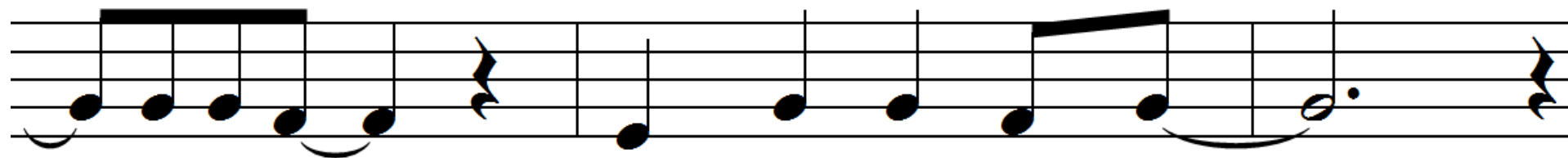


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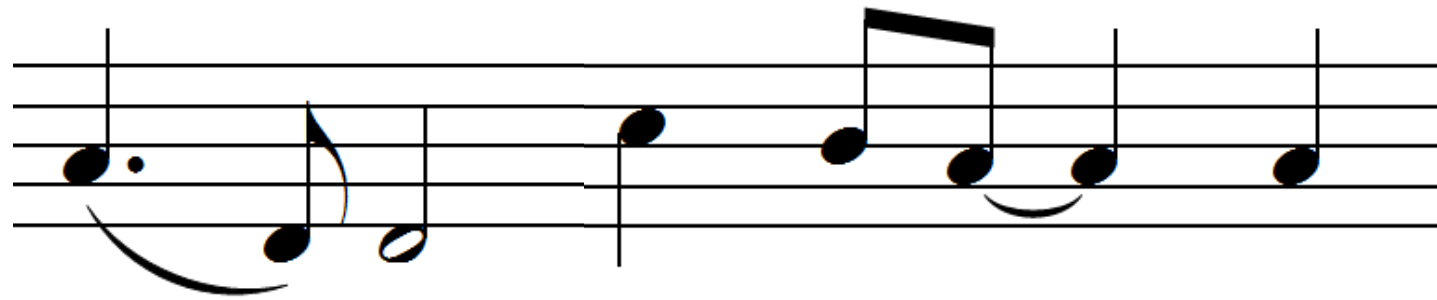
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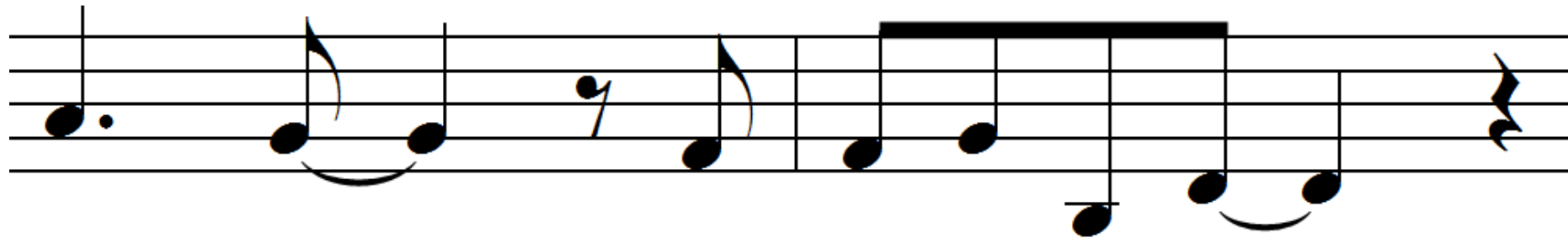


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# PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** Lord God, you created humanity in your image, to enjoy communion, blessing, and completeness in you. Renew us by the power of Christ's redemption that we may faithfully proclaim your word of truth that leads all people to find their highest good in you, for you are the one true, eternal and triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**



# THE WORD

## FIRST LESSON:

### **John 10:1-10**

“I tell you the truth, the man who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. The man who enters by the gate is the shepherd of his sheep. The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

“When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger’s voice.” Jesus used this figure of speech, but they did not understand what he was telling them.

Therefore Jesus said again, “I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep. All who ever came before me were thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

**SUNG RESPONSE: #514 *You Are the Way;  
through You Alone (vs.1-2,4)***

V1.           You are the way;  
              thro' you alone  
              can we the Father find;  
in you, O Christ, has God revealed  
              his heart and will and mind.

V2.

You are the truth;  
your Word alone  
true wisdom can impart,  
you only can inform the mind  
and purify the heart.



V4.

You are the way,  
the truth, the life;  
grant us that way to know,  
and truth to keep, that life to win  
whose joys eternal flow.



# THE WORD

## SECOND LESSON: **Titus 2:1-14**

Stewardship  
LEGACY

You must teach what is in accord with sound doctrine. Teach the older men to be temperate, worthy of respect, self-controlled, and sound in faith, in love and in endurance.

Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good. Then they can train the younger women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God.

Similarly, encourage the young men to be self-controlled. In everything set them an example by doing what is good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned, so that those who oppose you may be ashamed because they have nothing bad to say about us.

Teach slaves to be subject to their masters in everything, to try to please them, not to talk back to them, and not to steal from them, but to show that they can be fully trusted, so that in every way they will make the teaching about God our Savior attractive.

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

*Please stand*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,  
our Lord, who was conceived by the  
Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was  
crucified, died and was buried....**



**He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy  
Christian church, the communion of  
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the  
resurrection of the body, and the life  
everlasting. Amen.**

*Please be seated*



# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE





## SERMON HYMN: #504

*We Sing the Almighty Power of God (vs.1-3)*

V1. We sing th'almighty pow'r of God  
that made the mountains rise,  
that spread the flowing seas abroad  
and built the lofty skies.

We sing the wisdom that ordained  
the sun to rule the day;  
the moon shines full at his command,  
and all the stars obey.

V2. We sing the goodness of the Lord  
that filled the earth with food;  
he formed the creatures with his Word  
and then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how your wonders are displayed  
where'er we turn our eyes,  
if we survey the ground we tread  
or gaze upon the skies.

V3. There's not a plant or flow'r below  
but makes your glories known,  
and clouds arise and tempests blow  
by order from your throne;  
while all that borrows life from you  
is ever in your care,  
and ev'rywhere that we can be,  
you, God, are present there.



# THE WORD

SERMON TEXT:  
**Genesis 1:31-2:3**

Stewardship  
LEGACY

God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array.



By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. And God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.



# Steward the Truth as the Greatest Good

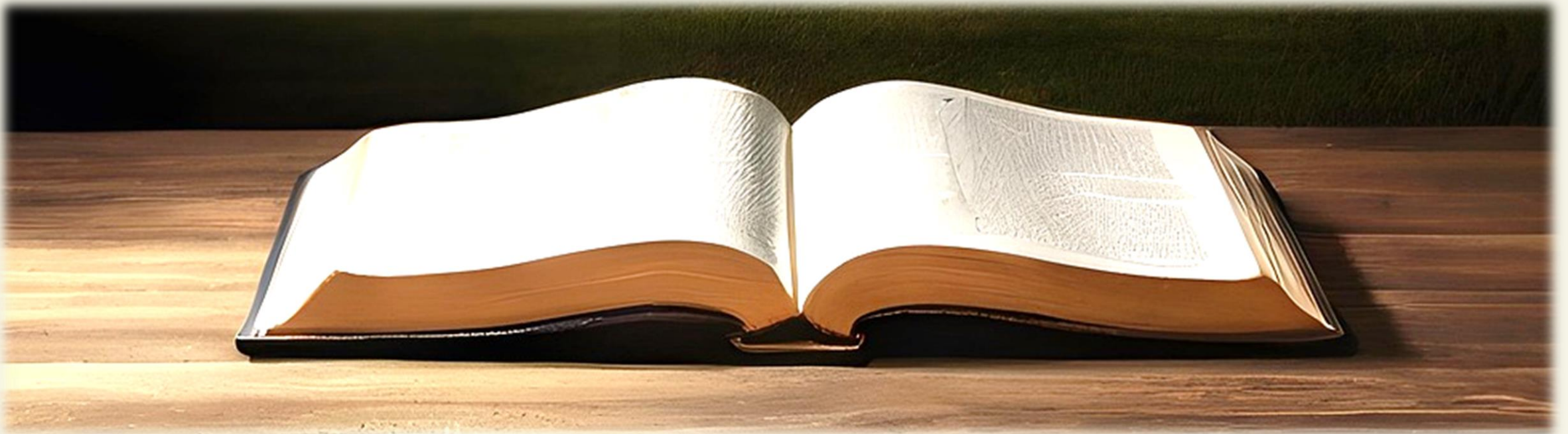
Ourselves and our experience?



## 1.) The Source of Truth

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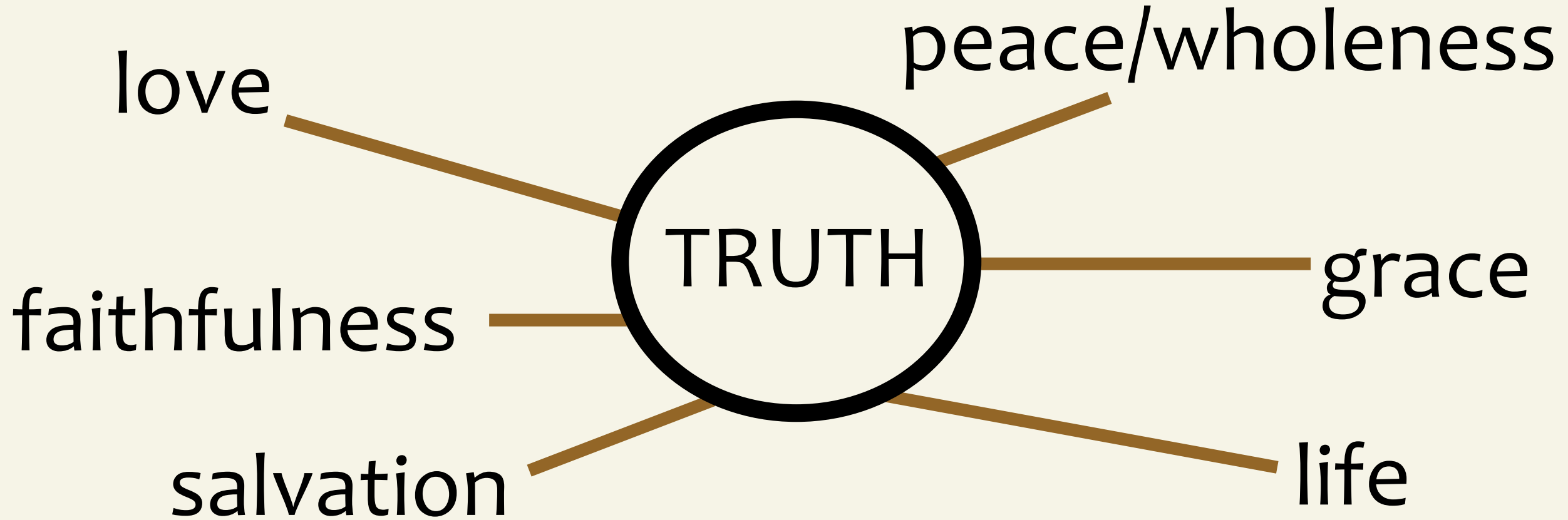
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## 1.) The Source of Truth

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## 2.) The Goal of Truth

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God saw all that he had made, and **it was very good**. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

## 2.) The Goal of Truth



# Steward the Truth as the Greatest Good

... on the seventh day **he rested from all his work**. And God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.

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# Steward the Truth as the Greatest Good



## 3.) The Use of Truth

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**OFFERING SONG: #609 *We Praise You,*  
*O God, Our Redeemer (v.1)***

We praise you, O God,  
our Redeemer, Creator!

In grateful devotion our tribute we bring:

We lay it before you;  
we kneel and adore you;  
We bless your holy name;  
glad praises we sing.



# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- ✝ Anne Zeitler's mother, Diedre: kidney surgery
- ✝ Pastor's mother, Sandy: removal of mass in her throat
- ✝ Jeff Rindt: home from surgery, on antibiotics
- ✝ Sunday school begins today
- ✝ The family of Charlie Kirk and peace, unity, and civil discourse in our nation



# LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**



# BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated*

# CLOSING HYMN: #507

## *Let All Things Now Living* (vs.1-2)

V1.        Let all things now living  
              a song of thanksgiving  
to God the Creator triumphantly raise,  
              who fashioned and made us,  
              protected and stayed us,  
who still guides us on to the end of our days.

God's banners are o'er us;  
his light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
till shadows have vanished  
and darkness is banished,  
as forward we travel  
from light into light.

V2.            His law he enforces;  
                 the stars in their courses  
and sun in its orbit obediently shine.  
The hills and the mountains,  
                 the rivers and fountains,  
                 the deeps of the ocean  
                 proclaim him divine.

We, too, should be voicing  
our love and rejoicing.

With glad adoration a song let us raise  
till all things now living  
unite in thanksgiving:  
“To God in the highest,  
hosanna and praise!”

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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# BOOK TOPIC



*Discussing  
Chapters  
7 & 8*



# MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

**- SEPTEMBER DATE -**

Tuesday 16  
7:00-8:30 PM

RSVP

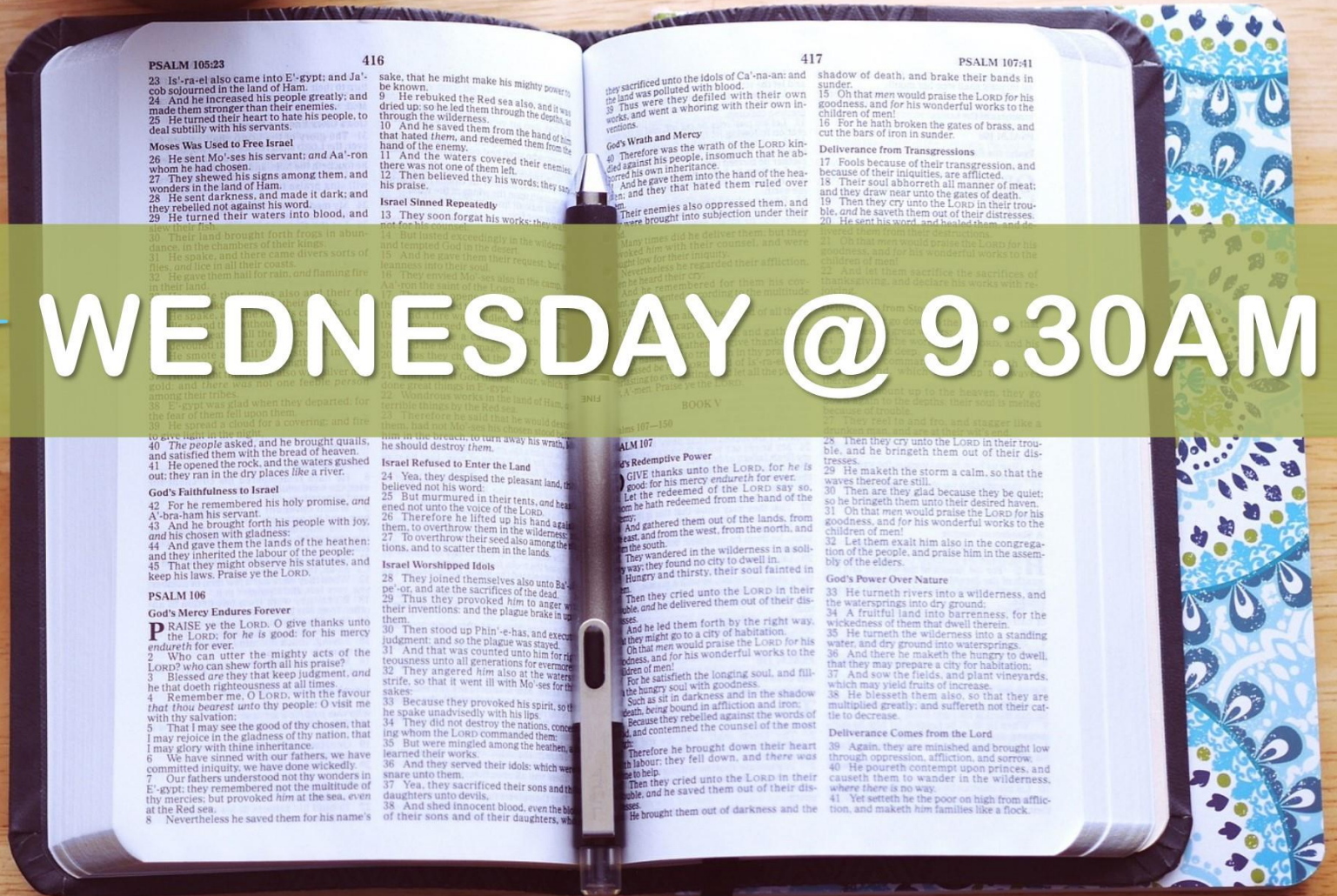




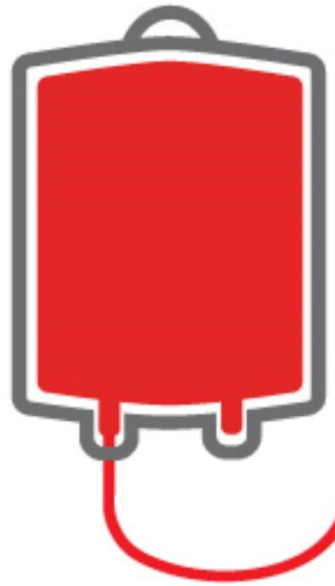
# Women's Bible Study

Questions Email:  
Melody Buskirk  
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