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# PITMAN ROAD POST

Move

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Our Vision

To be a place where God's love is experienced, known, and shared by all.



# THERE'S AN A.P.P. FOR THAT!

[A PEACHER'S PERSPECTIVE]

## GOD'S AMAZING LOVE



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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! *His faithful love endures forever.*

Give thanks to the God of gods. *His faithful love endures forever.*

Give thanks to the Lord of lords. *His faithful love endures forever.* (Psalm 136:1-3)

The Sabbath in the Bible was a day of many things. It was a day of rest. It was a day of family. It was a day celebrating God's creation. It was a day celebrating redemption from slavery. It was a day of togetherness. It was a day that showed Israel what the world to come would look like. It was a day of basking in divine love with all of God's creation. Remember love, God's Love, Yahweh's love.

Maybe we moderns do not "remember" that earth-shattering love nearly enough.

God loves you. God loves me. And God loves the entire creation, the whole universe and everything in it, unconditionally.

God's love is not predicated upon our love for God.

God's love is not granted if we worship God.

God's love is not parceled on the basis of our righteousness.

God's love is not proportionate to our obedience to God.

God's love is not reciprocal (that is, he will love us if we love God).

God's love is infinite.

God's love is eternal.

God's love is unconditional.

These truths are so astonishing, so radical, so unbelievable, that Christians themselves routinely immediately try to qualify God's love with a "but" somewhere along the line (usually along the entire line).

The only "but" is, there is no but. God's love is unconditional. It is actively shown to every creature in creation.

We should spend less time trying to qualify God's infinite and unconditional love and more time in meditation on it, more time praising God for it, more time being astonished by it. We just might find ourselves deeply transformed and moved to simply worship the God of Infinite Love. A revolution might happen in our churches if we did.

John tells us about the "but" when it comes to God's amazing love.

"This is love, NOT that we loved God, BUT that he loved us and sent his Son to be an atoning sacrifice for our sins" (1 John 3.10)

Go Read ALL of Psalm 136 slowly. Read the refrain audibly.

(Wineskins, "God's Amazing Love," Bobby Valentine)

## LOVE AND THANKS FROM THE HOLMES FAMILY

"What a great Celebration of Life Memorial Service for a great Man! The **HOLMES FAMILY** sends our heartfelt love and gratitude to our Church family, near and far, that shared in the Celebration. So many acts of kindness and love have been extended to us in countless ways. May we all continue to honor Ray's memory with love in our hearts." - **Cordelia**



## UPDATE ON THE MINISTER SELECTION PROCESS

The Minister Selection Committee has been working hard, for many months, through the process of finding and selecting a candidate for the position of "Intergenerational Minister" at Pitman Road. The process started during the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the committee was forced to take a 3 month pause during the most difficult months of the outbreak. Finally, a few months ago, 3 finalists were identified, and, after second interviews, the search was narrowed down to a final candidate. However, after additional steps and an interview and screening process with the elders, it was decided that, for a number of reasons, the Pitman Road church and the finalist were not a good fit for each other.

The elders want to confirm to you that we trust the way we have been conducting the minister search and selection process and intend to follow it when we resume our search. But, we have decided that we will be taking a 3-month pause before resuming the process. During this pause, we will revisit the job description, taking into account Dan's retirement and discussing how the position may need to be adjusted to reflect our current ministerial needs. In addition, we will update the membership of the Minister Selection Committee and its leadership. Since it was always our intention for the committee not to have an elder on it, and, since Andy is now an elder, he and the elders feel it would be best if someone else took over the leadership of the committee to allow the committee to work freely through the process. In addition, since most committee members have now been involved through 2 year-long minister searches (first with the Peachers, and now through a COVID-impacted process), membership on the committee may change when the search resumes. We want to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Minister Selection Committee for your hard work, strong commitment and praiseworthy diligence. And, we ask the congregation to continue to pray for the process - that the Lord, through His Spirit, continues to guide us as we search for an additional minister to contribute to our focus on body life, connecting within and without, and fulfilling our mission "to meet others where they are and together be transformed into the Image of Christ".





# 2021 Fall Quarter Bible Classes

September • October • November

*Sunday Morning at 9:00 am*

Location	Intended For	Topic	Teachers
B3 Chapel	Adults	Genesis II - Pitman Road University	Mike Grove
B5 Library	Adults	"What Now?"	Tim and Melody Davis

*Wednesday Evening at 7:00 pm*

Location	Intended For	Topic	Teachers
Online (ZOOM)	Adults	20/20 Vision	Dan Cooper

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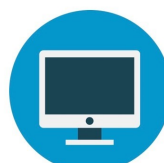
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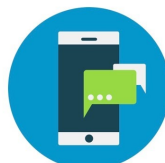
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