

Suggested Resources

Below is a list of resources that will help you dig deeper into the topic preached about this morning:

- Bill Hybels - *The Power of a Whisper: Hearing God, Having the Guts to Respond* (This week's "Pastor's Pick")
- Francis Chan - *Crazy Love*
- Jeff Petherick - *Wavelength: Tuning In to God's Voice in a World of Static*
- Dallas Willard - *Hearing God*

Suggested Bibles

We teach from the Bible on Sundays and encourage you to read the Bible throughout the week. Here are a few recommended versions of it:

Quest Study Bible

"The Question and Answer Bible."

CSB Study Bible

The CSB Study Bible offers the award-winning Holman study system, which includes over 16,000 study notes, tools, word studies, and articles from respected Bible scholars.

Teen Life Application Study Bible

includes sections explaining what the Bible has to say about the questions and issues teens face in the *Choices*, *I Wonder*, *Ultimate Issues*, and *My Story* features.

Kids Quest Study Bible

contains over 500 questions that kids ask, "Quest Challenges" to help you apply what you read and more!

Plus... be sure to stop by the Info Table in our lobby and pick up a FREE copy of our Bible Reading Plan... as well as a FREE Bible!

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CHURCH



For Those That Have Ears to Hear

October 22, 2017

We want people to encounter God on Sundays and not just "go to church." That is why today's 75-minute service will include an in-depth Bible teaching, communion, worship (feel free to stand or sit as we sing), and an opportunity to receive 1-on-1 prayer.

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(Terry Altman - core team member of The Eastside Vineyard Church
and founder of Harbor Life Ministries)

Notes:

Digging Deeper Questions

In our fast-paced culture, it's easy to be impacted by the sermon you hear at church on Sunday... only to forget about it by Monday. To make this message "stick" we created these Digging Deeper Questions so you can process and apply what you heard at church. Take some time this week to go through these questions by yourself, in your small group, with a friend, your family, or your roommate.

1. Icebreaker - What are some of your favorite bands and musical artists that you love to fill your ears with? Have fun with this question!
2. Is there anything you heard in this week's sermon or experienced in this week's service that was an "a ha" moment, something significant for you?
3. In *Wavelength: Tuning In to God's Voice in a World of Static* Jeff Petherick writes, "At this moment, hundreds of radio signals are beaming through the air whether you know it or not. And radio waves are only the beginning... With the right gear tuned to the right wavelength, you can access an invisible spectrum of commercial, military, and emergency signals... The point is, the transmitters are on. But if you're not tuned in, you will live your life as if the signals don't exist. Just like God's voice." What are your thoughts on this quote?
4. Read Mark 4:18. In *Crazy Love* Francis Chan writes, "Thorns are anything that distracts us from God. When we want God and a bunch of other stuff, then that means we have thorns in our soil. A relationship with God simply cannot grow when money, sins, activities, favorite sports teams, addictions, or commitments are piled on top of it...I think most American churchgoers are the soil that chokes the seed because of all the thorns." What are your thoughts on this quotation?
5. Read Joshua 1:8. Surveys have shown that many Christians in America know they *should* read the Bible more than they do. Why don't you think more Christians (you?) have a passion to read and dwell on the Scriptures like Joshua did?
6. We should read, study, and memorize passages from the Bible, not just for our own benefit but to "sow" God's Word into the lives of others, standing on the promise Isaiah 55:11-12. What are your thoughts on this perspective?

Key Passage:

Then Jesus said, "Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear."

- Mark 4:9 (NIV)