

**Frazer Welcomes Dr. Larry Bryars** --- Frazer's incoming Lead Pastor Dr. Larry Bryars will deliver his first sermon at Frazer UMC, Sunday, June 26 in the Sanctuary. Please stop in and welcome Larry and his wife Vicki. District Superintendent Dr. Robbins Sims will preach June 19.

**Board of Stewards with Charge Conference** --- Board of Stewards will meet on Sunday, June 26, at 5:00 pm, in the East Sanctuary. Come meet Dr. Larry Bryars, Frazer's new Lead Pastor. A Charge Conference will also be held to vote on Debra Goldwire as a Certified Candidate in the United Methodist Ministry.

Annual Conference Volunteers Needed! --- Frazer will once again serve the clergy and lay delegates from the Alabama-West Florida Conference, Sunday through Wednesday, June 12 - 15. We need greeters, shuttle drivers, parking lot attendants and food service workers. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Teri Brown at 495-6331 or email teri@frazerumc.org.

**Town Hall Event** --- Dr. Larry Bryars, our new Lead Pastor, wants to meet and to hear from Frazer members. He will be holding a "town hall" type meeting to listen to Frazer members. It will be Thursday, July 21, at 6:00 pm, in the East Sanctuary. Please come if you are not a member of a Sunday school class or if you did not make it for your Sunday school class' event. No nursery will be provided.

**VBS Registration** --- With the theme, SUBMERGED, kids will look below the surface to find the truth about how Jesus sees them! Atlanta Hwy Vacation Bible School will be July 11-15, 9 am-12 pm for rising K4-6th graders. Preregister now at frazer.church/vbs.

**Good Mornings** --- Summer day camp for rising 1st-6th graders, Monday – Thursday June 20–July 28, 9 am-12 pm. \$6 per day. See Activity Center for more details on dates and times or email liz.craig@frazer.church.

# **Coaches Needed for Upward Flag Football and Cheerleading**

Registration as a coach for K5- 6<sup>th</sup> grade flag football and cheerleader starts Friday, July I. The number of coaches determines the number of teams. Practices are I hour per week and begin week of Aug 29 with games scheduled for Saturday mornings beginning September 10th.

**Friends Bible Study** ---- Join us for Friends Bible study with Joe Pat Cox June 16 at 11 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A complimentary lunch will be served at 11:45.



SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2016

**FINDING JESUS** CHRIST IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

THE STORIES OF A FORGOTTEN PAST COULD MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN OUR STORIES OF TOMORROW.

#### FINDING JESUS: CHRIST IN THE OLD TESTAMENT Week 1-It All Starts With Jesus Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden Genesis 1-3

#### The Nature of God...

#### • He is the supreme creator of everything.

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..." Genesis 1:1 (NRSV)

# • He is sovereign king over his creation.

"You alone are the LORD. You made the skies and the heavens and all the stars. You made the earth and the seas and everything in them. You preserve and give life to everything, and all the angels of heaven worship you." Nehemiah 9:6 (NLT)

# • He is an incredible designer.

"The heavens tell of the glory of God. The skies display his marvelous craftsmanship." -Psalm 19:1 (NLT)

# The Nature of Humanity...

#### • We are created and designed by God.

"You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it. You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed. How precious are your thoughts about me, O God. They cannot be numbered!" Psalm 139:13-17 (NLT)

# • We are made in the image of God.

"God created humanity in God's own image, in the divine image God created them, male and female God created them." Genesis 1:27 (CEB)

# • We are completely reliant upon God.

"We depend on the Lord alone to save us. Only he can help us, protecting us like a shield." Psalm 33:20 (NLT)

# The Nature of Sin and The Need for Redemption...

# • Sin is rejecting God's word and God's authority.

"The snake was the most intelligent of all the wild animals that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God really say that you shouldn't eat from any tree in the garden?' The woman said to the snake, 'We may eat the fruit of the garden's trees, but not the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden. God said, "Don't eat from it, and don't touch it, or you will die."' The snake said to the woman, 'You won't die! God knows that on the day you eat from it, you will see clearly and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was beautiful with delicious food and that the tree would provide wisdom, so she took some of its fruit and ate it, and also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it." Genesis 3:1-7 (CEB)

# • Sin leads to immediate spiritual death and eventual physical death.

"...the Lord God sent them out of the garden of Eden to farm the fertile land from which he was taken. He drove out the human. To the east of the garden of Eden, he stationed winged creatures wielding flaming swords to guard the way to the tree of life." Genesis 3:23-24 (CEB)

"The wages that sin pays are death..." Romans 6:23a (CEB)

- Redemption will come through a redeemer.
  - Satan will be defeated.
  - Sin will be destroyed.
  - God's creation will be restored.
  - God's people will be rescued.

"Because you did this, you are the one cursed out of all the animals. On your belly you will crawl, and dust you will eat every day of your life. I will put contempt between you and the woman, between your offspring and hers. He will strike your head, and you will strike at his heels." Genesis 3:14-15 (NLT)

"What a contrast between Adam and Christ, who was yet to come! And what a difference between our sin and God's generous gift of forgiveness. For this one man, Adam, brought death to many through his sin. But this other man, Jesus Christ, brought forgiveness to many through God's bountiful gift." Romans 5:15 (NLT)

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