

I BELONG



COUNTING SHEEP

As a church we are entering into an exciting time and God is at work at Jacob's Well. To begin the week, would you read, and even consider memorizing, Ephesians 3:20-21. We have made it our prayer for the church — would you make it your prayer for our church?

Day 1: READ Matthew 18:10-14

What is your story? Were you once a lost sheep? Are there times when you still feel like you're wandering off? Do you know others that have drifted off and are wandering alone? Jesus tells us that the Father is not willing that any should be lost. As an individual, with a group of friends, or with your family, **PRAY** for those that are lost. Is there someone you know who is wandering from God and the church? You could **CALL** or **WRITE** a note and **INVITE** to come home.

Our church is going after people who are wandering. You can help by filling out a **super communication card**, if you haven't done so already, or updating your information at jacobswellec.org/#/home/j-w-online-community. It will help us to know who is here and who may be wandering off.

Day 2: READ Hebrews 10:19-25

As the church, Jesus asks us not to neglect meeting together. We are called to encourage each other in love and good works. What does that really mean? What are some ways that you have been encouraged through a worship service, a small group, or a gathering of friends? At Jacob's Well we believe life and growth happens best in groups. Are you ready to join a group? Are you ready to lead a group? Do you need to renew your commitment to being in a small group? We have a **Small Groups Rally on September 12/13**, or you could call Tony at 715.559.9548 for more information about group life.

Day 3: READ Ephesians 17-19

There are a number of ways we can grow spiritually. Worship services, small groups, and Bible studies are just a few ways. **PRAY** that the Holy Spirit will help you recognize and find ways that will help you grow.

This fall our church is going to be studying **the book of Romans**. We're challenging you to **GET INVOLVED** in a group that will dig deeper into this amazing book. Also, the devotions will lead you to not just read Romans, but to begin a more serious Bible study. We're encouraging you to **BRING** your Bible to church, **MEMORIZE** a verse of scripture every week, and **MAKE** a prayer commitment as part of this series. You can also **CHECK OUT** the **@home Center** for resources that will challenge you and help you grow. Will you commit to study through the book of Romans with the church?

Day 4: READ Romans 12:9-13

Serving is a vital part of being the church. As we learn to serve others, we ourselves will grow spiritually. As an individual, with your family, or with a group of friends, **CONSIDER** signing up to serve in an area of ministry at Jacob's Well or looking into the needs within the community. We have **Serve Tours on September 26/27&30 and October 31/November 1&4**. Every week it takes hundreds of volunteers to make Jacob's Well the amazing place we love. We'd love to have you join us in helping others take steps to know and become like Jesus.

This fall we are also offering **Discover Your Design on September 23 and October 28**. In this class you'll learn how God has designed you with gifts, passions, abilities that make you a perfect fit in a ministry area. **COME** and **LEARN** more about yourself so that you can serve God, His church and others better. This teaching could improve every part of your life.

Day 5: READ 2 Corinthians 9:12-13

The giving of tithes and offerings is another very critical part of being the church. In order for the church to be all that it can be, it takes resources to accomplish meeting all the needs within a congregation and a community. This fall at Jacob's Well, we are asking people to recommit to giving the tithe. If this is a growth area for you, **CONSIDER** going back and listening to a message from March 22, 2015 called **the King of Skittles**. jacobswellec.org/media.php?pageID=95 Getting God's view of money could change your whole life.

What are your NEXT STEPS?