

COMMUNITY GROUPS @ REDEEMER

Groups kick off the week of February 20 and run through the week of May 15.

Here's the Groups Schedule for this semester:

DAVE RAMSEY: FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Tuesday night, 6:30-8:00 @ 168th and Giles
Leader: Lee Cordell

Have you ever wondered where your money goes? Come learn how to better manage your money and your life. Our church is hosting Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace class to teach God's way of handling money. The class is Dave teaching on video followed by small-group discussion.

These principles apply to everyone—whether you're financially secure or are struggling with debt. The class will show you how to really live like never before with lessons on saving, debt elimination, investing and real estate to name a few. Over a million families have changed their family trees through Financial Peace, and we want to give you the opportunity to do the same.

*This class will require each family to purchase a kit. **The cost is \$99.51** (all of this goes to Dave Ramsey and the cost is set by his company). **The deadline to sign up for this class is February 6th so that we can order the materials.***

PURPOSE DRIVEN LIFE

Wednesday night, 6:30-8:00 @ 192nd and Q
Leader: Joe Failla

The most basic question everyone faces in life is Why am I here? What is my purpose? Self-help books suggest that people should look within, at their own desires and dreams, but Rick Warren says the starting place must be with God and his eternal purposes for each life. Real meaning and significance comes from understanding and fulfilling God's purposes for putting us on earth.

The Purpose-Driven Life is a manifesto for Christian living in the 21st century...a lifestyle based on eternal purposes, not cultural values. Using biblical stories and letting the Bible speak for itself, Warren clearly explains God's five purposes for each of us:

- We were planned for God's pleasure, so your first purpose is to offer real worship.
- We were formed for God's family, so your second purpose is to enjoy real fellowship.
- We were created to become like Christ, so your third purpose is to learn real discipleship.
- We were shaped for serving God, so your fourth purpose is to practice real ministry.
- We were made for a mission, so your fifth purpose is to live out real evangelism.

*This group will require each individual (or at least each household) to purchase a copy of The Purpose-Driven Life by Rick Warren and the cost for this book will be negligible (a few dollars). **The book will be made available for purchase through Redeemer Church for those who don't already have a copy.***

THE REASON FOR GOD

Thursday nights, 6:30-8:00 @ 168 and Harrison

Leader: Jared Totten

For anyone who's been asked a hard question about their Christian faith that they couldn't answer...

For the skeptic, the doubter, the seeker who has honest questions about Jesus and Christianity...

For every Christian who wants strengthen their own faith through honest investigation...

Christianity isn't just about blind faith. It can stand up to hard questions like the ones addressed in Timothy Keller's video series *The Reason for God* and Sean McDowell and Jonathan Morrow's book *Is God Just A Human Invention?*. This group will discuss such questions in an honest and gracious way that will be welcoming even to those who are considering Christianity for the first time. Through weekly reading, videos, and discussion, this group will address common challenges to the Christian faith like:

- "Isn't the Bible a myth?"
- "How can you say there's only one way to God?"
- "Why is there so much evil in the world?"
- "Why are Christians such hypocrites?"
- "How can God send good people to hell?"

This group will require each individual (or at least each household) to purchase a copy of Is God Just A Human Invention? by Sean McDowell and Jonathan Morrow and the cost for this book will be about \$12. The book will be made available for purchase through Redeemer Church for those who don't already have a copy.

PICKED YOUR GROUP?

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

Write the name of the group you plan to attend on the back of the Connection Card on Sunday morning or e-mail us through the website.

WHAT ABOUT CHILDREN?

We encourage you to make arrangements for your children if that is available. If it isn't, then each group will make a decision on what is the best plan for them.

A NOTE ABOUT THE SCHEDULE

Our goal is to make every group a successful and rewarding experience and the number one factor affecting the quality of the group is its size. Depending on sign ups, the schedule may change. We chose the nights that seem to enable the greatest amount of participation. However, if a group does not have a minimum of 12 people sign up, we will try to change it to a different time or class. No groups will meet that do not have a minimum of 12 people signed up. If a group has 20+ sign up, we will try to form 2 groups. Your early reply will greatly assist us in this process.

Make sure you reply and let us know which group is best for you.