

CBS Statement of Faith

We believe the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, is divine revelation and the inspired Word of God inerrant in the original manuscripts. Its teaching is the final authority for all Christian life in matters of faith and practice.

We believe in the unity of the Godhead, eternally existing in three Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and yet identical in nature; all-powerful, all-knowing, everywhere present and unchangeable; infinitely perfect in love, truth, righteousness, justice, goodness, grace, and mercy.

We believe Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is both fully God and fully man, two natures in one Person. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He performed miracles to manifest His deity, lived a sinless life, suffered, and died as completely satisfactory sacrifice for the sin of the whole world. He arose from the dead on the third day and His bodily resurrection guarantees the resurrection of all who believe in Him. He ascended to the right hand of God the Father where He reigns over the universe and intercedes for believers, and will return to earth to establish His kingdom.

We believe man was created in the image of God but fell into disobedience by a voluntary decision. As a result, man became separated from God and, therefore spiritually dead and subject to physical death. This fallen nature was transmitted to all humanity, except Jesus Christ, Who lived a sinless life. The blood of Jesus Christ was shed for our redemption. Only those who receive Christ by faith are forgiven, born of the Holy Spirit, and thus become children of God. Faith alone is the condition of salvation, but good works and righteous living should accompany such faith and furnish evidence of its existence.

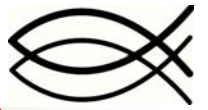
We believe the Holy Spirit indwells and seals every believer at the moment of saving faith. The ministry of the Holy Spirit is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ and, during this age, to convince men of sin, regenerate the believing sinner, and indwell, guide, instruct, and empower the believer for godly living and service. We believe all Christians should witness for Christ in His power and study the Bible with His help.

We believe the Church, composed of all who genuinely believe in and accept Jesus Christ as Savior, is united together into one body, of which He is the Head. As members of the Church, it is our responsibility to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, supporting the local church and loving one another with pure hearts.

Location of Study

The host church is:
Christian Celebration Center
6100 Swede Avenue
Midland, MI
(corner of Swede & Wackerly)

**Studies begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. and
end at 8:30 p.m. on Monday evenings.**



Men's Community Bible Study

"To make disciples of Jesus Christ in our communities through caring, in-depth Bible Study, available to all."



A community-wide study for Men

- Deep-rooted in the Word of God
- Daily lesson plan for individual study
- Weekly small group discussion
- Weekly Bible teaching
- Fellowship

30-Week Study

Four Amazing Authors, One Awesome God

**1 & 2 Thessalonians, James,
1 & 2 Peter, and I John**

Begins Monday, September 13, 2010

Monday Nights 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

The formal study is comprised of:

Individual Study

- Daily individual examination of Scripture (Acts 17:11)
- Answering thought-provoking questions on assigned sections of Scripture (Hebrews 4:12)

Small Group Discussion

- Weekly sharing of answers and insights to sharpen one another (Proverbs 27:17)
- Sharing of prayer and praise (Ephesians 1:16)
- Fellowship in class and at scheduled functions (Heb. 10:25)

Effective Teaching

- Short lecture on the Bible passage by the Teaching Director, a trained lay leader (2 Timothy 4:2)

CBS desires to bring the transforming love of Christ to men by immersing them in the Word of God in an atmosphere that is welcoming and inviting. All men will benefit from participation in CBS: the seeker who does not yet know the Lord, the new believer just starting on the journey and the mature believer who desires to keep growing and being changed.



We pray that YOU will join this adventure!



How to Enroll

To enroll in this 30-week journey,
simply contact us by phone, e-mail,
or visit our website at
www.midlandmenscbs.org

The 30-week study includes two binders containing weekly study materials. The suggested* cost is \$25 plus voluntary donations to help pay for material printing costs and host church expenses.

**If you are unable to contribute financially, do not let this be a roadblock to your participation and commitment to studying the Word at Community Bible Study. As Philippians 4:19 tells us, our God will indeed meet all our needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.*

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