



gospel in life

A LETTER FROM PASTOR NATHAN HINER

Dear High School Teens and Parents:

I am extremely excited about the High School Fall Bible Study this year. We will be going through the DVD series called "*Gospel in Life*" by Timothy Keller. This series is amazing!! Keller talks about the Gospel and shows how it applies to daily living.

One of the problems I personally faced growing up in a Christian home was trying to figure out how the Gospel applied to my daily life. I knew that God's grace saved me from hell but the reality of salvation was not substantial to me in day-to-day living. I had heard the Gospel message so much that it became repetitive and, dare I say, monotonous.

This is the struggle for every teen that has grown up in the church. I believe the biggest reason why teens become numb to the Gospel is because they don't know how to live within the power of the Gospel daily. And this is exactly what this fall Bible study will be addressing.

COMMITMENT

The reason I am writing this letter to both teens and parents of teens is to ask for a strong commitment this fall.

TEENS - I challenge you to buy a study guide for this Bible study and be diligent in doing the work that it requires. I know that we are all extremely busy this time of year and the idea of extra work may seem daunting but please realize that the study guide is not overwhelming. It is only a little reading throughout the week with questions. The price of the study guide is \$10 (and it is well worth it). If you are not interested in going through the study guide, please come anyways. The DVD series provides enough information that you can join in with the conversation and still get a lot out of the Bible study.

PARENTS - I challenge you to work with your teenager to get them to the Bible study every week (if possible) and help make some time for them throughout the week so that they can study. Also, ask them throughout the study what they are learning.

I am super excited for this fall Bible Study! Please come Thursday, September 4 to my house for more information. That night we'll be having some fun, playing some games and I will introduce the study. We will start the DVD series the following week, September 11, 2014. Sometime during the study, Sarah and I will be having a baby. Yes, I know, crazy!!! So of course we are going to be taking about 2 weeks off. I will do my best to communicate with both teens and parents about these days off. But till then I just wanted you to know that we will pick up the study again after the two weeks.

Thanks. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Always,
Pastor Nathan Hiner