

You are invited to attend this year's SILVER DAWNS BIBLE STUDY. For many years, Pastor Mike Coppersmith has taught this Bible Study on Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. during the months of November through March. We have a large and energetic group attending each week. The Bible Study is fascinating, the discussion is stimulating, the lessons are very practical, the refreshments are good, and the impact on your faith is powerful!

This year's study is entitled "ADVENTURES IN FAITH" and will look at *Famous People in the Bible and the Practical Lessons They Teach Us About the Power of Faith*. Here are some of the titles of the studies Pastor Mike has prepared:

Abraham: Faith and My Need

Joseph: Faith and My Dreams

Moses: Faith and My Worries

Job: Faith and My Questions

Samson: Faith and My Mistakes

Samuel: Faith and My Identity

Elijah: Faith and My Depression

Jabez: Faith and My Quality of Life

Jehosophat: Faith and My Conflicts

Daniel: Faith and My Temptations

Jesus: Faith and My Stress

Nicodemus: Faith and My Salvation

Peter: Faith and My Weaknesses

Paul: Faith and My Loneliness

Luke: Faith and My Legacy

Pastor Mike's Silver Dawns Bible Study is 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. and meets in the Fellowship Center each Friday through March. This class is designed in such a way that you can start anytime and attend for whatever weeks you are able to do so. Join us for these "Adventures of Faith" as we learn about *Famous People in the Bible and the Practical Lessons They Teach Us About the Power of Faith!*

HEARTS OF PRAYER
**THE LOVING PURPOSES
OF PRAYING FOR THE LOST**
Letting God Break Our Hearts for the Wayward & Lost
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INTRODUCTION

The Heart-Opening, Heaven-Opening Blessings of Prayer:
*Prayer through faith in Jesus Christ leads you into the
PRESENCE, the PROCLAMATION, the PURPOSES,
the POWER and the PROVISION of Almighty God.*

A Powerful Prayer Point:
*If you truly fall in love with God, you will fall in love with prayer.
And when you fall in love with prayer, you will fall even more
in love with God.*

Theme of Our Ministry Year:
OPEN HEARTS, OPEN HEAVENS
Preparing the Way for What God Has in Store By Inviting Him to
Break Open Our Hearts and to Break Open His Heavens

Luke 3:4-6

A voice of one calling in the desert, "**Prepare the way for the Lord,** make straight paths for him! 5 Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth. 6 And all mankind will see God's salvation."

I. OUR GOD IS A GOD WHO STANDS IN THE _____

Ephesians 2:12-13

Remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.

II. GOD IS LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO STAND IN THE GAP FOR _____

In Your Bible:
Ezekiel 22:30,31
(Page 841 in the Pew Bible)

Matthew 23:37

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!

III. YOUR LOST FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS NEED _____ TO STAND IN THE GAP!

Isaiah 60:18

No longer will violence be heard in your land, nor ruin or destruction within your borders, but you will call your walls Salvation and your gates Praise.

Ephesians 1:18-21

I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened **in order that you may know the hope** to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and his incomparably great power for us who believe. **That power is like the working of his mighty strength, 20 which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead** and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, 21 far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.

IV. SO START PRAYING—AND NEVER GIVE UP PRAYING— FOR YOUR LOST FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

Matthew 6:9-10

This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, 10 your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

Luke 18:1

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.

CONCLUSION