

# Sermon Notes

## Commencement

### The Importance of Beginnings (Part 13)

Speaker: Dr. Michael D. Sproul  
 Text: I Corinthians 13:11-12; I Corinthians 2:9  
 Proposition: God is the Author of new beginnings.

1-8. Because He is the Author of the universe, human life, work, rules, family, redemption, sanctification and heaven

C. By answering the most frequently asked questions about heaven—I Corinthians 13:12-13

8. If we know what is going on here on Earth, won't it cause us sorrow? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Acts 9:4-5; Luke 16:24-26

9. Will babies go to heaven? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ II Samuel 12:19-23

10. What will we do in heaven? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Rev. 4:11-13; 22:5; I Cor. 6:2-3; Rev. 3:21; 19:9; I Cor. 13:12

11. Will heaven be self-contained or do people and heavenly beings go in and out? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Rev. 21:24-25; Rev. 22:14

12. Will there be animals in heaven? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Rev 19:14

13. Will we remember our lives? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Rev. 14:13; 19:7-8; 6:9-11; Malachi 3:16; Rev. 21:12-14

14. What is the greatest part of heaven? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Revelation 5:13-14

15. What will be the overwhelming emotion of heaven? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Matt. 6:20; Rev. 14:13; 21:4; Rom. 7:24

D. By understanding \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I Cor. 9:19-26

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# Care Group Lesson

## Week of July 18, 2010

### Welcome:

What is your favorite kind of cookie?

### Worship:

**Read Psalm 40:1-5.** Keep your church and ministries in prayer. Satan wishes to destroy the work that God is doing, so let's always remember that prayer is our strongest weapon.

### Word:

**Read Revelation 22:5, I Corinthians 6:2-3, Rev. 3:21.**

What type of work might we do in heaven? Why do you think God will find pleasure in this type of eternal arrangement? How does it excite you to think that God has some great, meaningful work lined up for you in heaven?

**Read Revelation 5:13-14.** What are the greatest parts of heaven? Why do you think we see singing in heaven? How does this knowledge lead you to carefully monitor how you live here in this life?

**Read Matthew 6:19-21, 21:4, Rom. 7:24.** What do you think will be the overwhelming emotion of heaven? Why? How does this animate you to live out your faith?

### Witness:

Remember, keep your eyes and ears open for those attenders who do not have a church home or are looking for a place of worship! Remember, the ten minutes after church are the most important to a guest. Stop and ask our guests about themselves and how they heard about our church.

### Care and Share Group of the Week

Ladies' Bible Study - Elma Sproul

Wednesdays at 6:15-7:15 p.m.

TBC Room 222

Pray for Us... Hebrews 13:18

**Pastor:** Mike and Elma Sproul, Dave and Sara

**Deacon:** Donald and Shelly Hill, Caleb and Sheridan

**Vocational Staff:** Ted Anderson (wife Lois), Michael Bryson (wife Marea; son Lucas), Rachel Bullock (husband Sam; daughter Kara), Jane Bushey (children Esther, Matthew, Daniel, Sarah, and Stephen), Jeff Caupp (wife Lisa; children Acadia, Clayton, and Jeffrey), Eunice Elie, Sandy Fullmer, Marcia Gammon, Keith Gephart (wife Cindi), Charissa Glazner—IBC

**IBM Missionary:** Steve and Margie Reynolds, James, Leah and John—Singapore

**Health Needs:** Tiffany Brock, Ellen Burns, Ron Fish, Yvonne Fish, Terri Gudmundson, Leta Jackson, Bill Kesen, Peggy Roberts, Judy Stephens, Theresa Trogen

If you have personal needs, requests, or blessings you wish to share with the pastoral staff, please send them to [info@tricityministries.org](mailto:info@tricityministries.org).

Weekly Schedule

### Sunday

Prayer Meeting	8:30 a.m.
Children's Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Adult Bible Fellowships	9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
Choir/Orchestra Rehearsal	4:45 p.m.
Evening Preaching Service	6:00 p.m.
Vacation Bible School	6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Children's Choirs/Youth Group	6:15 p.m.
Care and Share Groups	6:15 p.m.
Re:vive Care and Share Groups	7:00 p.m.
Fwd:motion Care and Share Group	7:00 p.m.
Spanish Care and Share Group	7:00 p.m.

### Saturday

Men's Prayer Meeting	7:00 a.m.
Visitation/Outreach	9:30 a.m.

TBC Staff

Senior Pastor	Dr. Michael Sproul
Executive Assistant	Pastor Todd Tjepkema
Music Pastor	Pastor Dave Stertzbach
Children's Pastor	Pastor Bryan Miller
Youth/Family Pastor	Pastor Mark Maxwell
College Pastor	Pastor James Yuen
Senior Adults Pastor	Pastor Jim Sproul
Men's Ministry	Pastor Todd Tjepkema
Ladies' Ministry	Denise Glenn
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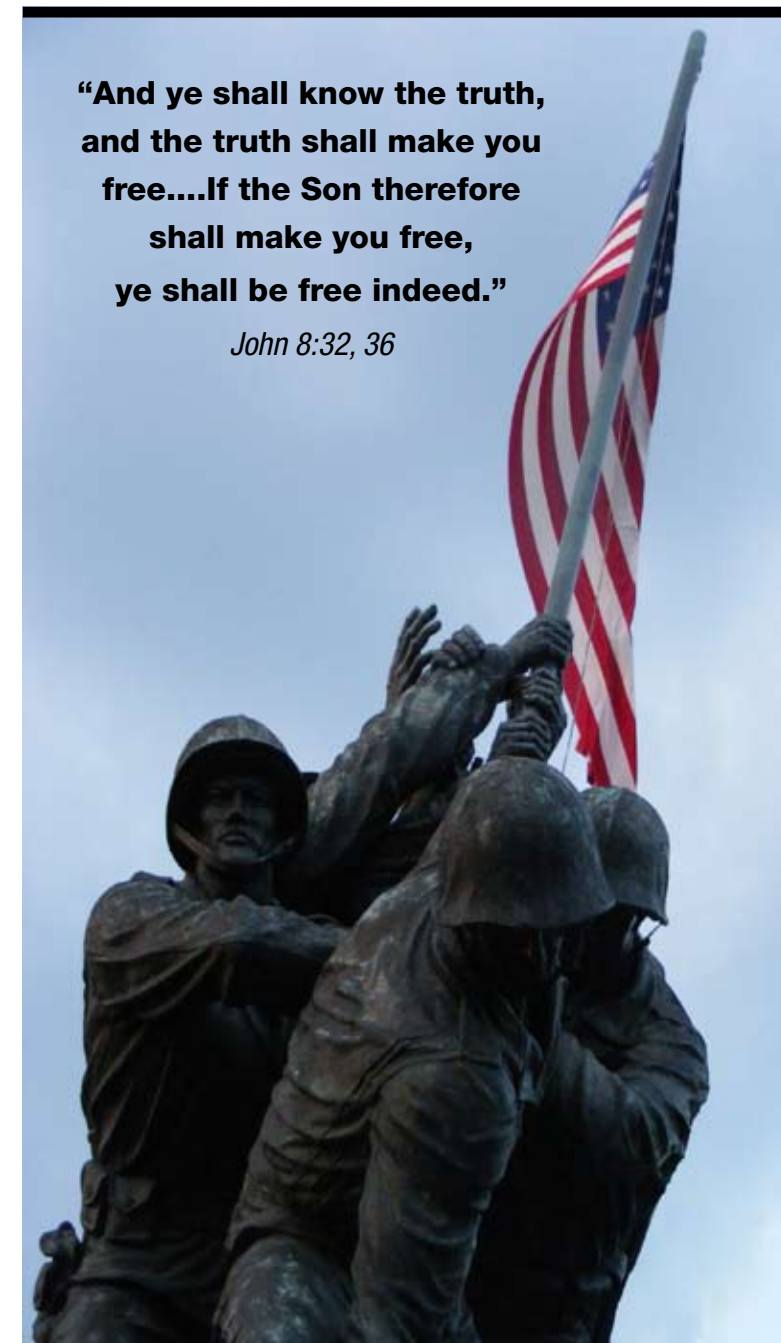
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**“And ye shall know the truth,  
 and the truth shall make you  
 free....If the Son therefore  
 shall make you free,  
 ye shall be free indeed.”**

*John 8:32, 36*



**July 18, 2010**

*Ministers – Every Member*

**Ice Cream Social**

July 11, 2010



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Total Offering	\$	Sunday ABF
General & Missions	\$	<b>420</b>
Over/(Under) Budget	\$	Sunday Morning
Grace Giving	\$	<b>614</b>
Building Fund	\$	Evening Service
IBC Building Fund	\$	<b>289</b>
Matching Funds	\$	
Other Designations	\$	

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# Be Strong and Do It

2010 Theme • 1 Chronicles 28:20

**Register to Vote Today**

Are you registered to vote? You must re-register whenever you move, change your name, or your political party affiliation. Today you can register to vote at the information desk. Monday, July 26 is the deadline to register to vote in the Primary election on August 24. Monday, October 4, is the deadline for the General election on November 2. You can also register online at [www.azvoterguide.com](http://www.azvoterguide.com).

**Music Camp Concert This Friday**

An exciting concert on Friday, July 23 at 7:00 p.m. will culminate a week of intense musical study at International Baptist College's *Music Camp* (7th-12th grade) and *Discover Music! Camp for Kids* (1st-6th grade) which are being held this week. Encourage our young people by attending this special summer concert that will feature new instrumentalists through advanced musicians.

**Senior Classics Meetball Lunch July 29**

Join the Senior Classics (Thursday Chapter—50 and older) for a ride on the Metro Light Rail to downtown Phoenix for a *meetball* lunch at the Old Spaghetti Factory on July 29. Please come to the Church by 11:00 a.m. to carpool to the eastern terminus of the Light Rail near Dobson Road in Mesa. (You may also drive directly to the station and meet at 11:30 a.m.) Tickets for the Light Rail are \$3.50 each except for riders 65 and over who pay only \$1.75. Each person will order from the menu at the restaurant. Please sign up at the information desk in the lobby for the trip.

**Band Camp for 5th-12th Graders July 26-30**

It's not too late to register for International Baptist College's Band Camp coming July 26-30 for 5th-12th graders on Tri-City's campus. Visit [www.ibconline.edu](http://www.ibconline.edu) or call 480-245-7903 for more information.

**Fwd:motion Begins *The Truth Project***

This Wednesday the Fwd:motion care group will begin *The Truth Project*, a 13-week DVD series from Focus on the Family about developing a Christian worldview. The Fwd:motion care group meets at Andrew and Heidi Will's house from 7:00-8:45 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. Contact Andrew at [revive@gmail.com](mailto:revive@gmail.com) or 480-217-8347 for more information.

**Old Magazines Needed for *Discover Music! Camp***

Do you have any old *AZ Highways* or other magazines with pictures of Arizona or the Grand Canyon? *IBC Discover Music! Camp for Kids* needs them for a craft project. Please bring any magazines to the front desk by Monday morning.

**Service Opportunities**

**TCA Seeks Sports Volunteers**

Tri-City Christian Academy is looking for volunteers to help with coaching, assisting, scoring, and bookkeeping for the fall and spring sports seasons. Team tryouts begin August 9, so if you are interested, please contact Coach Paul Brown at 480-245-7986.

The Next Three Weeks at TBC

Date	Event	Time	Location
Today	Video "Amazing Grace" Part 1	6:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
July 19-23	IBC Music Camp, Discover Music! <i>Camp for Kids</i> ( <a href="http://www.ibconline.edu">www.ibconline.edu</a> )		
Wed., July 21	Fwd:motion Begins Truth Project (see announcement)		
Friday, July 23	IBC Music Camp Concert	7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Sunday, July 25	Video "Amazing Grace" Part 2	6:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
	Re:vive Fellowship Night	7:30 p.m.	Student Center
July 26-30	Youth SNAC	7:30-9:00 p.m.	TBA
	IBC Band Camp (see <a href="http://www.ibconline.edu">www.ibconline.edu</a> for more info)		
Thursday, July 29	Senior Classics Meetball Lunch (see announcement)		
Friday, July 30	IBC Band Camp Concert	7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Friday, August 6	Youth Phoenix 500	6:00-9:00 p.m.	Meet at church
Saturday, Aug. 7	Re:vive Water Skiing - See Pastor James Yuen if interested		
	TCA Cheer Camp	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Gym
Sunday, Aug. 8	Re:vive Doulos Meeting	12:15 p.m.	251

Future Events

- Summer Enrichment Ends..... August 13
- Work Day ..... August 14
- Vacation Bible School Ends ... August 15
- Fall Semester Begins (TCA).... August 18
- Fall Semester Begins (IBC)..... August 25
- Awana Begins..... August 29
- Missions Conference..... Sept. 19-22
- IBC Fall Seminar..... October 5-7
- Men's Retreat ..... October 22-23
- Ladies' Conference ..... October 30
- Family Fun Night ..... October 30
- IBC Youth Conference..... November 4-5
- TCA Holiday Program..... November 19
- Church Work Day ..... November 20
- Community Appreciation Day ..... Nov 21

Chorus of the Month

**Our Prayer**

Dear Heavenly Father, we worship You;  
 We want Your heart to rejoice in all we do;  
 Your kingdom come, Your will be done;  
 Dear Heavenly Father, we worship You.

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**Dear Christian Friends,**

Thanks for praying for us during these very busy months since our return from furlough. We are rejoicing in all the Lord is doing here in Kenya. (Eph. 3.20,21)

In December it began to rain, and the rains continued until June. The drought is over! Electricity and water rationing have ended, and food prices are beginning to drop. Everyone is very thankful for God's intervention in answer to much prayer.

Over the last two months we have seen our Zion Rd. Independent Baptist Church Sunday School grow to around 100 children and youth. We are especially pleased to see about 20 Sudanese refugee children attending faithfully.

In March we were able to buy an addition plot for the Santon Independent Baptist Church. We also received a special gift to build church pews for the congregation. We once again thank those who contributed to these special projects.

The first week of May Independent Baptist College of Ministry resumed classes for term two. We have grown to 35 students. Mike is teaching *Methods of Effective Bible Study* and continues to be the Dean of Student Affairs. Gail is taking a couple of classes, including *Greek*. The College keeps us busy but is one of the most important aspects of our ministry.

Kenya is scheduled to have a referendum on Aug. 4 to vote for or against a new constitution. There has been some recent violence at a rally, so we ask prayer for a peaceful run up to the referendum.

Thank you for your valuable part in our ministry.

In Kenya for Christ,  
*Mike & Gail Mestler*