

Avon Community Church Adult Study Opportunities

Sunday school is one hour in length from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. We have three choices for the fall semester. We also have an evening women's study at the church.

According to 1Peter 3:15, we are told to "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope you have. But to do this with gentleness and respect." Pastor Chuck will be leading a class called *Reasons to Believe*. Using theology and philosophy, this class will examine some of the most common objections/questions believers receive from skeptics or curious seekers and will suggest at least some preliminary answers to them.

What on earth am I here for? Self-help books often suggest that you try to discover the meaning and purpose of your life by looking within yourself, but Rick Warren says that is the wrong place to start. You must begin with God, your Creator, and his reasons for creating you. You were made by God and for God, and until you understand that, life will never make sense. This study, *The Purpose-Driven Life*, will help you understand why you are alive and God's amazing plan for you—both here and now, and for eternity.

What keeps us from having a heart like God's? If you've ever experienced doubts, temptations, personal inconsistencies, or losses, if you've anguished over family problems, then this study is for you. Beth Moore invites you to join her on an exciting and intimate journey to know King David, the man after God's own heart. On this journey you will experience the ups and downs of the shepherd king, and you will come to know and love his God in a new way. *A Heart Like His: Seeking the Heart of God through a Study of David* is an in-depth Bible study.

Starting on September 16, a women's study entitled *Calm My Anxious Heart* will be held at the church. It will start out with a soup and bread supper at 6:30 p.m. The study will be from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Child care will be provided.

Women worry a lot. We worry about our children, our friends, our careers, our families, our spouses--the list could go on and on. Yes, we want to be content and trust God with our worries, but it's a struggle to let go and free ourselves from the burden of anxiety. If you're tired of worrying about all the "what ifs" in your life and want to experience the calm and contentment promised in Scripture, please join us to study "Calm My Anxious Heart" by Linda Dillow. Filled with encouragement and practical help for overcoming anxiety, this 12-week study is designed to help you discover what the Bible says about contentment and ways to apply it to your daily life.

If you would like more information, please contact our church office at 320-356-9001. We also have a link to our church's e-mail at the bottom of our Website pages.