



Biblical Hope

in the Midst of Grief



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TIMBERLAKE BIBLICAL COUNSELING CONFERENCE

As the Senior Pastor and the Executive Director of Timberlake Biblical Counseling and Training Center, I want to welcome you to the Truth & Light Conference 2024! This is our seventh annual conference and we are thrilled to have you as our special guest at Timberlake Baptist Church.

The Truth & Light conference is part of the three-part ministry plan of our church: The Expositor's Seminary, Timberlake Christian Schools, and The Timberlake Biblical Counseling & Training Center. This specific conference is committed to providing valuable Bible teaching that is critical to the soul-care of God's people.

The theme of the conference this year is "**Biblical Hope In The Midst of Grief**". We have brought in conference speakers who will equip you with the biblical resources you will need to find hope in times of grief and to heal biblically using the comfort and wisdom of the Word of God. Dr. Howard Eyrich and Pastor Smedly Yates are well-known and trusted leaders, teachers, and biblical counselors and I am confident that they will bring biblical clarity to this important topic and help you not only deal with grief and loss in your own life but also counsel others who are grieving.

I encourage you to take the time to visit the resource table of books and materials, as well as the TBC&TC table. Both tables will provide many resource options that may be helpful to you.

I want to thank each of you for attending the conference. We pray that you will be blessed by the warm fellowship and the clear teaching that you will hear at this conference. May you leave here encouraged by the hope that we find in the Word of God and armed with biblical principles to help you instruct your own heart in times of grief as well as encourage others.

For His glory,



Dr. Bryan Ferrell

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COUNSELING
TIMBERLAKE BIBLICAL COUNSELING & TRAINING CENTER



Conference Schedule

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

8:00 — 8:45 am Check In & Continental Breakfast

8:45 — 9:00 am Welcome
Singing & Announcements

9:00 — 9:50 am **SESSION #1**
Learning to Live with Loss
Dr. Howard Eyrich

9:50 — 10:10 am Coffee & Refreshments
Book table open

10:10 — 11:00 am **SESSION #2**
O Death, Where Is Your Vocabulary?
Pastor Smedly Yates

11:00 — 11:20 am Snacks & Refreshments
Book table open

11:20 — 12:00 pm **SESSION #3**
Q & A
Dr. Eyrich, Pastor Yates, Dr. Ferrell, & Dr. Hager

12:00—1:00 pm Lunch

1:00—2:00 pm **SESSION #4**
Seeing with the Eyes of Heaven
Pastor Smedly Yates

Service Schedule

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

9:00 — 10:15 am

EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE
Pastor Smedly Yates

10:40 — 12:00 pm

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
Pastor Smedly Yates

Conference Speakers



Dr. Howard Eyrich

Dr. Eyrich's experience includes more than 30,000 hours of Biblical Counseling, more than 40 years teaching at the graduate level, church planter, and senior pastor. Pam has been his dedicated wife and service partner for 58 years. The Eyrichs live in Birmingham, AL where he continues to preach, teach, counsel, and write. He serves as a Member of the Academy with the Association of Certified Biblical Counselors and a Board Member and Mentor for the International Association of Biblical Counselors. They have two children, eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren.



Pastor Smedly Yates

Smedly has been serving as a pastor at Grace Bible Church in Tempe, AZ, since 2008. Smedly and Janet were married in 2000 and have five kids. He graduated from The Moody Bible Institute in 1998 with a degree in Missionary Aviation and from The Master's Seminary in 2002. Before serving at Grace Bible Church, Smedly was a student ministries pastor at Community Bible Church in Nashville, TN.

Learning to Live with Loss

Grief defined

The one-word definition of grief is _____.

Grief is felt:

1.) Physically = _____.

2.) Emotionally = _____.

3.) Spiritually = _____.

4.) Relationally = _____.

It is a complex of _____ and not a set of
predicable _____

From I Thessalonians 4, the Christian learns that they should and can:

- _____ reality
- _____ grief
- _____ not like an unbeliever.
- _____ grief with the _____ of the _____
- _____ grief by _____
- Have confidence in the _____ promise.
- Have _____ as the _____ tool.
- Appropriate spiritual _____

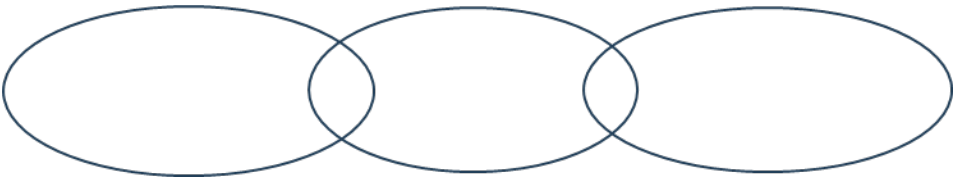
The doctrine of _____ is the doctrine of comfort when a non-believing loved one dies.

There are _____ identifiable reasons that we grieve.

It is important to practice _____.

It is important to practice _____
to _____ of life.

There are three overlapping dimensions of grieving:



O Death, Where Is Your Vocabulary?

John 11:25-26

[25] Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies,

[26] and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"

Introduction

- Jesus' curious statements: (John 11:25-26)

- How do these ideas fit together?

A survey of the New Testament's teaching on death

1. Unbelievers are dead.
 - a. All are spiritually dead until they are in Christ.
(Eph. 2:1-3; Eph. 2:5; Col. 2:13)
 - b. Their works are dead.
(Heb. 6:1; 9:14)
 - c. Their faith is dead.
(Jas. 2:17, 26)
 - d. Churchgoers can be dead.
(I Tim. 5:6)
 - e. Churches can be dead.
(Rev. 3:1)
 - f. The gospel is preached to the dead.
(1 Pet. 4:6)
 - g. Unbelievers do not possess life.
(I Jn. 3:15; 5:12)
 - h. The dead will be judged.
(1 Pet. 4:5; 2 Tim. 4:1; Rev. 20:12)

A survey of the New Testament's teaching on death

2. Unbelievers will die.
(Rom. 5:12, 14; 5:21; I Cor. 15:22; Heb. 9:27)

3. Unbelievers will die again.
(Rev. 2:11; 20:6, 14; 21:8)

4. Believers died already.
 - a. Believers died at conversion.
(Col. 3:3)
 - b. Believers died with Christ.
(3 Tim. 2:11; Phil. 3:10; Rom. 6:3,4,5,8)
 - c. Believers died in relationship to sin.
(Rom. 6:2,6,7; 1 Pet. 2:24)
 - d. Believers died in relationship to the Law.
(Rom. 7:4,6; Gal. 2:19)
 - e. Believers died in relationship to the world.
(Gal. 6:14; Col. 2:20)
 - f. The old "you" is no more.
(Gal. 2:20; 5:24; Rom. 6:6; Eph. 4:22-24; Col. 3:9-10)

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5. Eternal life begins at new birth.
(Jn. 5:24; 8:51; Rom. 6:4,5,8,11,13; 8:2; Col. 2:12; 3:1)

6. A believer's life is a kind of death.
 - a. Death to self is the starting point for following Jesus. (Mark 8:34)

 - b. Considering oneself dead to sin is an ongoing practice. (Rom. 6:11; Col. 3:5)

 - c. Putting to death the deeds of the body identifies one as a child of God. (Rom. 8:13)

 - d. Believers are dead to the world in which they live. (Gal. 6:14)

 - e. Believers can find themselves in danger of death because of their loyalty to Christ. (2 Cor. 1:9; 2:16; 4:11; 6:9; 11:23; Rev. 2:10)

 - f. Daily discipleship is one of death to self. (Luke 9:23)

A survey of the New Testament's teaching on death

7. Believers still face physical death.

*Except for those who are alive at the rapture!
(1 Thess. 4:13-18; Jn. 14:3; 1 Cor. 15:51-52)

(Rom. 14:7-9; 8:38; Phil. 1:20; 1 Thess. 4:16; Heb. 11:13; Rom. 8:28)

8. A believer's death is different

9. Death itself will die.

(Acts 2:24; Rom. 6:9; 1 Cor. 15:26, 54-57; Heb. 2:14-15; Rev. 1:18; 20:14; 21:4)

SESSION 3

Questions & Answers

Dr. Eyrich, Smedly Yates, Dr. Ferrell, & Dr. Hager

Seeing with the Eyes of Heaven

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Recalibrate your perspective through three contrasts:

I. **Outward Decline & Inward Renewal**

(v. 16)

II. **Light Affliction & Weighty Glory** (v. 17)

III. **Visible Perception & Invisible Realities** (v. 18)



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Seminar Schedule

Friday, April 26
7:00 pm - 9:15 pm EST

Saturday, April 27
9:00 am - 3:30 pm EST

Registration

This seminar is broadcasted live from the TES Jupiter campus to all church campuses of The Expositors seminary.

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The Expositors Seminary is one seminary in 12 simultaneously connected locations. Theological education is the task and responsibility of the church. The training at TES takes place within the context of the life and oversight of local churches. Faithful and proven pastors, teachers, and leaders from all eleven churches unite to provide the student with an education that combines informed scholarship with pastoral mentoring. Timberlake Baptist Church was the 5th campus connected through video-conferencing equipment. The Expositors Seminary exists to magnify the glory of God by serving the local church through training, equipping, mentoring, and affirming men who are called by the Lord Jesus Christ into the ministry of the gospel. TES offers a Masters of Divinity with an emphasis on biblical exposition and the study of original languages.

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