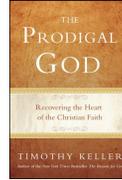


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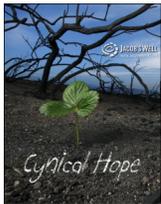
Welcome

If today is your first time at Jacob's Well we want to extend to you a warm welcome. Make sure to fill out an info card and pick up a welcome pack with some basic information about our new church. We also have a free book for you as a gift from the Jacob's Well family.



Summer Series at the Days —Cynical Hope

Join us this summer at Jacob's Well as we seek an enduring hope...



April 12th—A Cynical Hope

May 17th – The Struggle for Hope

June 14th – Deepening Hope

July 12th – Deepening Hope—Part Deux

August 9th – Hope Arriving

New Dates—Missional Community Trainings

We will hold two Sunday afternoon training times regarding our missional communities on **August 30** and **September 13**—mark you calendars. We will hold these just after lunch together on those days.

Membership Process!

- Discovery Lunch—**October 4th**—likely the largest Discovery lunch ever!
- Gospel Class—**October 18**, Mission Class **October 25th**

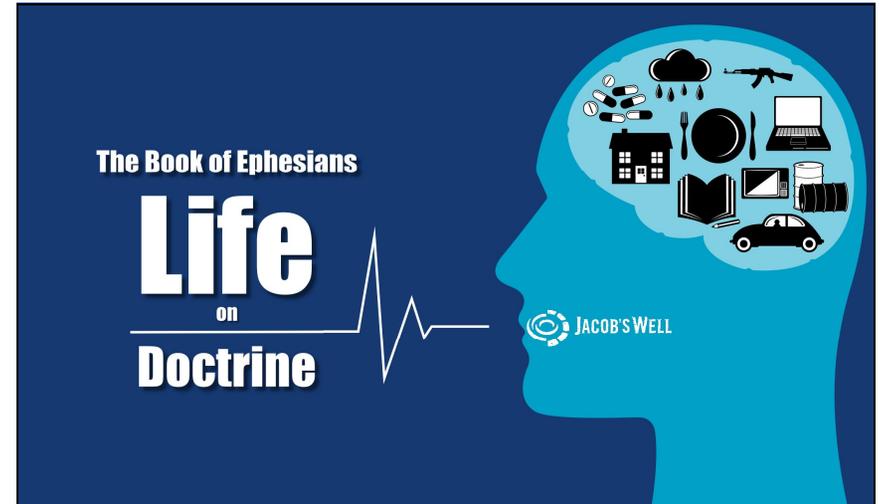
Jacob's Well Giving

You can contribute to our mission here at Jacob's Well online at www.JacobsWellNJ.org. Click the "Online Giving" button on the bottom right side of the page where it says "throw in." Of course there is always the bucket on Sundays.

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Sunday, August 2nd 2009

Life's Contrast Ratio...

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“Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Ephesians 5:3-14 (ESV) page 978

Jacob's Well is a Christian Community which exists for the glory of God and the good of the city by extending hope through the gospel of Jesus Christ.

My Notes

Review

Introduction

- God's purposes, properly understood, make great sense of his commands...
- His commands without the context of his purposes will not make sense to us...

Created for Purpose

Sexuality

Language and Communication

Material Things

Life in Contrast...

Ephesians 5:3-14

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Community Meditation

- If we understand God's purpose or design for something, how does this help us understand his related commands ?
- In what ways do you see sexuality abused and perverted in our society?
- Read the Junk Drawer and think about how you use your mouth? Where do you need to repent?
- How have you been blessed by someone who uses words in a way that is good, right and true?
- In what ways are you tempted to walk in darkness even though you belong to the light? Read 1 John chapter 1 about meditate on the relationship between confession and walking in the light.



*Gospel
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*Thoughtfully
Engaged*

*Life in
Community*

*Seeking Justice
and Mercy*

*Joy and Generosity
in Mission*

