

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

OUR PHILOSOPHY:

Discipleship classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9:15-10:15 AM

They are designed to guide us in our spiritual growth and to train us up in our walk with Jesus Christ. Based on Ephesians 4:12-15 our desire as a church is to equip God's people for ministry. In doing so, the church will be mature, anchored in biblical truth, and filled with love for one another. Our prayer is that of Paul's, "that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment... and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God" (Philippians 1:9-11).

Classes run on a quarterly schedule in five tracks of study:

- **Story** - Aims to expand our understanding of the Story of Redemption told in the Scripture and which continues today in the history of the church.
- **Belief** - Aims to ground our faith in the teachings of the Scripture held by God's people throughout the ages.
- **Discipline** - Aims to direct us in applying the Scriptures to our daily lives as we seek to discipline ourselves for godliness.
- **Relationship** - Aims to shape our interaction with one another according to God's design for humanity made in his image and likeness.
- **Leadership** - Aims to train up godly men and women to lead in the home, the church, and the community.

2019/2020 CLASSES:

Core Tracks	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
	Sep. 1 – Nov. 24	Dec. 8 – Feb. 23	Mar. 1 – May 24	May 31
<u>Story</u>	The Christian Story	Church History I	Hebrews*	Church History II
<u>Belief</u>	The Trinity: Father, Son, & Holy Spirit	Christian Beliefs	10 Commandments*	Humanity & Redemption
<u>Discipline</u>	Biblical Stewardship	How to Study the Bible	Christian Disciplines	Practice of Parenting*
<u>Relationship</u>	Principles of Parenting	Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands*	Theology of Work	Christian Relationships: Marriage, Family, & Singleness
<u>Leadership</u>	In the Beginning: Genesis 1-11*	Church Leadership	Principles and Practice of Teaching	Evangelism & Missions
<u>Senior Adults</u>	Ongoing Scripture study			

*Elective

3-YEAR DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY:

If you're new to Oak Park, one of the questions we often hear is, "What Discipleship Class should I take?" In an effort to guide new members—and even existing ones—on which classes they should take, we've developed a suggested 3-year path. This path will equip you to fulfill the mission of Oak Park and grow to be a leader in the home, the church and in the community.

Scope:	Story	Belief	Discipline	Relationship	Leadership
Path:	<u>Year 1</u> 1. Christian Story 2. Christian Beliefs 3. Christian Disciplines 4. Christian Relations		<u>Year 2</u> 1. Church Leadership 2. How to Study the Bible 3. Evangelism & Missions 4. Biblical Stewardship		<u>Year 3</u> 1. God, Christ, and Holy Spirit 2. Discipling in the Church 3. Humanity and Redemption 4. Bible, Church and Last Things
Purpose	To equip every member to fulfill the Mission of OPBC		To equip every member to lead in the church, the home, and the Community		
Role:	Volunteer		Deacons and Team Leaders	Elders, Teachers, or Community Group Leaders	