



**HOW FIRM A  
FOUNDATION  
OLD TESTAMENT**

**FALL 2023**

**GOVERNMENT STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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SERMON TEXTS

Sept. 10: Beginnings

Gen. 12:1-9

Sept. 17: Freedom

Exodus 14

Sept. 24: Law

Deut. 6:1-9

Oct. 1: Promised Land

Josh. 3:14-4:9

Oct. 8: Kings

I Sam. 16:1-13

Oct. 15: Return

Ezra 1:1-7

Oct. 22: Suffering

Job 7

Oct. 29: Song

Psalms 139

Nov. 5: Wisdom

Prov. 3:1-18

Nov. 12: Judgment

Jer. 7:1-20

Nov. 19: Justice

Amos 5:18-27

Nov. 26: Hope

Isaiah 11:1-9

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MEMORY VERSES

## **September 10: Genesis 1:1**

*In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth.*

## **September 17: Exodus 14:14**

*The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still.*

## **September 24: Deuteronomy 6:4,5**

*Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.*

## **October 1: Joshua 1:9**

*Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.*

## **October 8: I Samuel 16:7b**

*for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.*

## **October 15: Psalm 136:1**

*O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever.*

## **October 22: Psalm 22:1**

*My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?*

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## **October 29: Psalm 100:1, 2**

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.*

## **November 5: Proverbs 3:5, 6**

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. 6 In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.*

## **November 12: Jeremiah 7:3**

*Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Amend your ways and your doings, and let me dwell with you in this place.*

## **November 19: Micah 6:8**

*He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?*

## **November 26: Isaiah 11:6**

*The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.*

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FURTHER STUDY

## **Suggested Resources:**

*A Guide to Bible Basics* by Tyler D. Mayfield (2018)  
bibleproject.com (videos)

**Extra study is best done before the listed Sunday,  
but could be done at any time.**

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### **September 10: Beginnings**

Bibleproject.com *What Is the Bible?*

Bibleproject.com *Genesis 1-11*

Bibleproject.com *Genesis 12-50*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* Introduction --pg 23

### **September 17: Freedom**

Bibleproject.com *Exodus 1-18*

Bibleproject.com *Exodus 19-40*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* 23-41

### **September 24: Law**

Bibleproject.com *Law*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* pg 31-42

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## **October 1: Promised Land**

Bibleproject.com *Joshua*

Bibleproject.com *Judges*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* pg 43-57

## **October 8: Kings**

Bibleproject.com *1 Samuel*

Bibleproject.com *2 Samuel*

Bibleproject.com *Kings*

Bibleproject.com *Chronicles*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* 57-96

## **October 15: Return**

Bibleproject.com *Ezra*

Bibleproject.com *Nehemiah*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* pg 97-109

## **October 22: Suffering**

Bibleproject.com *Job*

Bibleproject.com *Lamentations*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* pg 110-114

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## **October 29: Song**

Bibleproject.com *Psalms*

Bibleproject.com *Judges*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* pg 116-123

## **November 5: Wisdom**

Bibleproject.com *Proverbs*

Bibleproject.com *Ecclesiastes*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* 123-130

## **November 12: Judgment**

Bibleproject.com *Apocalyptic Literature*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* pg 131-154

## **November 19: Justice**

Bibleproject.com *Justice*

*A Guide to Bible Basics* pg 155-176

## **November 26: Hope**

Bibleproject.com *Messiah*



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## **Sunday School (9:30 AM)**

**September 10:** "Faithful Foundations for Families"  
for Parents of Children and Youth with Rev. Lamar

**September 24:** "Loving God and Neighbor:  
The Thriving Congregations Initiative"  
with Dr. Tim Condor and Dr. Dan Rhodes  
*Black Mountain School of Theology and Community*

**October 1:** "Words of Love: The Ten Commandments"  
with Rev. Eugenia Gamble, *Author of*  
*Words of Love: A Healing Journey Through the Ten Commandments*

**October 22:** "Suffering in Job" with Rabbi Ed Boraz  
*Spring Hill Avenue Temple*

Talking Heads Class (2nd Floor) follows this theme throughout the fall.

## **Mid-week Studies**

**Tuesday Women's Bible Study** || 10 AM

GSPC library and via zoom  
led by Mary Elizabeth Perry

**Wednesdays, Sept. 6- Nov. 15** ||12:00--1:00 PM

GSPC library and via zoom  
led by Rebekah Abel Lamar