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## Sermon Series

living  
**beyond**  
myself

Sunday Mornings Jan. 11th - Feb 15th



SUNDAY MORNINGS—BEGINS FEBRUARY 22

# The Highlander

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### Church Calendar

- Feb. 1st—Joshua Class Lunch  
Children's Ministry Committee Meeting
- Feb. 8th—Tohatchi Mission Trip Meeting  
Deacon's Meeting  
Business Meeting
- Feb. 15th—Teacher's Meeting
- Feb. 20th & 21st—Haiti Food Packing
- Feb. 22nd—Red Bean Dinner
- Feb. 26th-Feb. 28th—Cradles to Crayons



Highland Family,

When I was a child, I began to learn all about the church. I learned that church was much more than just a building. I learned the church was the body of believers. I learned the church has been since the beginning. I understood early on that God would use the church to carry the message of Jesus to the world.

Sometimes the message and purpose of the church can be clearly understood...other times it is not so clear. I can remember when I was about 10 years old. I had been learning about all God wanted me to be. I learned how God wanted me to be part of the church. I began to slowly understand that I was a necessary part of the body.

Mrs. Partida was a special lady who always took care of the children. Specifically, she would spend time with the children in the gym during choir practice. This was a great time because we had a "free for all". I would normally play basketball or find some way of getting into trouble. On one particular night, we had just finished church, and I ran as quickly as I could to the gym so I could play basketball. Mrs. Partida stopped me in the hall saying, "Adam Pardue! Do not run in the church!" I quickly responded, "Mrs. Partida, I AM the church!"

As I think back now, I know that was an irresponsible and disrespectful statement. I am now 30 years removed from that event. I certainly have since learned my manners. As adults, we would never make such a silly declaration.. or would we? Over the past few weeks we have been studying together that we are all necessary parts that make up a whole. The church is not the same without all of her parts functioning together.

As we have studied our necessity...our purpose, it should be noted that though we are all necessary, we should not think of ourselves too highly. Romans 12:3 says we should look at ourselves with sober judgment. The purpose of church is not so our individual needs and wants can be granted. Church is the functioning body of Christ. We work together for God's good glory! What a privilege! I hope to see you this Sunday as we continue our study together. **Living Beyond Myself.**

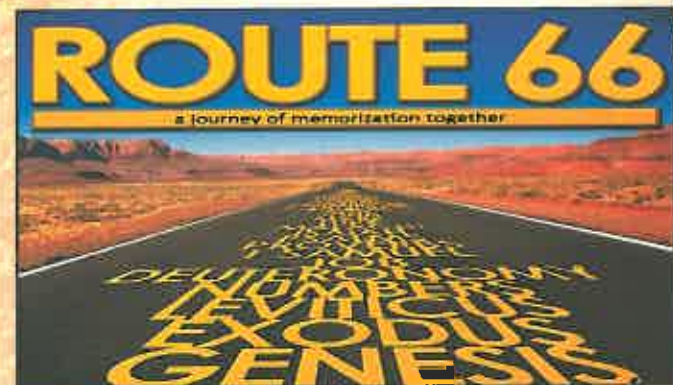
*Adam*



Hey parents and students! Make sure to mark your calendar this month to help with the Haiti Food Packing Party! We are going to work from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. **Saturday, Feb. 21st!** We are going to be packing food to send to Haiti to help feed children. After it is over we will go eat together as a youth ministry so bring money. Make sure to contact me to sign up via text or email at [scott@highlandbaptist.org](mailto:scott@highlandbaptist.org).

I am super pumped, as usual, to announce that we are now accepting deposits for Glorieta! This is the same youth camp we went to last year so, if you heard the stories or saw the videos you know this is not the week you want to miss. Mark it down—**Glorieta, June 21st-27th** and the cost is \$200 total. We will be doing fundraising so you will not have to pay that entire amount but I am asking that you pay \$100 deposit to simply hold your spot. The fundraising will help towards the remaining balance which will not be due until one week before we leave! If you want to go please talk to me and pay the deposit! Go to [glorieta.org](http://glorieta.org) if you want to see what we will be doing while we are there and even see the theme for this summer!

— Scott Spruill



**This month's Route 66 verse is**

**Joshua 1:8**

*Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth, meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.*

# A QUIET PLACE

Steps to a meaningful devotion time  
By John Gillespie, Associate Pastor



I remember the first time I was told to have a "quiet time". I was 17 years old and had recently dedicated my life to Christ in a small country church in East Texas. My youth pastor had given a charge to all the students to have a "quiet time" with God each morning before school. He began to share with the group

that a daily time with God was essential to grow as a Christian. Still excited from my recent conversion I desperately wanted to grow as a new believer but there was one problem. No one showed me how to actually have a meaningful devotion time. I remember opening a bible and placing my index finger on random verses as I read them aloud. As you can imagine this was extremely boring and by day three I completely gave up on having a quiet time. It was years later before I learned how to have a real meaningful time with God. A few weeks ago I came across this acrostic, and I think it gives a good picture how we should approach our time with God. I think most people can accomplish these six steps within 10-20 minutes each day.

- Prayer:** Devotion time should always begin with prayer. Prayer for yourself, family, church, etc.
- Reading:** God's word never returns void. Always give time to read God's word.
- Apply:** Reading God's word is not enough. We must apply and live out God's word in our daily lives.
- Imagine:** Allow time to mediate on God's word. Allow the Holy Spirit time to guide your thoughts.
- Surrender:** As the Holy Spirit guides your mind surrender to His calling.
- Experience:** Remember God has called you into a relationship with Him. Experience and enjoy that daily.

Practicing these steps in your devotional time will lead you to P.R.A.I.S.E! I do pray the Lord grows you daily in your relationship with Him. Please remember we do offer free devotional materials for the whole family in the magazine rack located across from the information desk.

# TEXAS TECH MEAT LAB BEEF TASTING OPPORTUNITY TO HELP OUR KIDS GO TO CAMP!

Sign-up to taste beef at the Texas Tech Meat Lab, **Monday, March 2nd**. There will be two sessions to choose; 6:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Each volunteer will earn \$25 towards camp expenses for our church children and youth. Volunteer by contacting Kathy O'Guinn at [Kathy@highlandbaptist.org](mailto:Kathy@highlandbaptist.org) or 795-6453. Please help! We need 44 volunteers between the ages of 18-79. It's a fun time.

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Mark your calendars for our VBS which will take place **June 8th—12th** from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. This is offered for all kids entering kindergarten through 6th grade (completed).

# CRADLES 2 CRAYONS



This is a quality children's consignment sales event serving the greater Lubbock area. The next event is at Highland Baptist Church on **February 26th—28th** in the Family Life Center. Public sale times are **Thursday, February 26th** from 8:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m.; **Friday, February 27th** from 11:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m. and **Saturday, February 28th** from 8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

# 11TH ANNUAL SPRING CLEANING GARAGE SALE

Our 11th Annual Spring Cleaning Garage Sale will take place **Saturday, April 11th** from 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. You may rent a booth for \$30 and a table for \$5. Proceeds from rentals benefit children going to camps. The garage sale will be held in the Family Life Center as well as the gym. We will also advertise for you. Contact Kathy O'Guinn at 795-6453 or [Kathy@highlandbaptist.org](mailto:Kathy@highlandbaptist.org) to reserve your booth or for more information.



Girls Camp June 26th—29th	
Boys Camp July 8th—11th	
Camp Extreme July 13th—17th	

# MISSION OUTREACH TO TOHATCHI

Join us as we travel to Tohatchi and the Navajo Nation to repair homes, visit Senior Adult Centers, party with the children at the boarding school, and so much more. We will leave **March 14th** and return **March 18th**. We will meet **Sunday, February 8th** following the morning worship service to discuss this valuable trip. For more information, contact Kathy O'Guinn.



On **Sunday, February 22nd**, join us at our **Red Bean Dinner** benefiting the Tohatchi Mission trip. It will be at 6:00 p.m. following the evening service. Donations are welcome and will be used for Tohatchi supplies. We are collecting blankets (new and used) and fabric for our trip as well.

# Haiti Food Packing

We are teaming up with Monterey Baptist Church and Lifeline Christian Mission to help feed children in Haiti. These children normally receive 200 calories per day, but with this particular food they will receive 400 calories just in the pack alone. The food and shipping container has already been paid for. We are now in the stage of packing the food to fill the container. This process simply needs man power to complete. There are 2 days to join in this mission—**Friday, February 20th** from 4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. (2 hr. shifts) or **Saturday, February 21st** from 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. (2 hr. shifts). We ask that you volunteer for a minimum of 2 hours but if you would like to do more than 2 hours you can. We are going to cover a shift as a church on **Saturday, February 21st** from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Please contact Scott if you are interested in helping at [scott@highlandbaptist.org](mailto:scott@highlandbaptist.org). You may also sign up at the following link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a4daea823aa8-abcfood>.

