



# GRACE DNA WORSHIP SERIES

From Aug 12 - Sept 2 we will unpack  
the Essentials of Grace Brevard

Good News.  
Renewal by Faith.  
Arts & Culture.  
Community & Care.  
Equipped Outward



# GRACE BREVARD FALL KICKOFF

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup>



AFTER CHURCH WE'LL HEAD OUT TO YOUNG LIFE'S  
CAROLINA POINT CAMP FOR AN AFTERNOON OF  
PLAY, SWIM, FOOD AND LAUGHTER.





# **GET CONNECTED**

**In mid-August we will begin signups for our Fall community groups where a dozen or so folks will meet weekly to grow in relationships and faith.**

**Email Maggie for more info**



A photograph of a dirt path winding through a lush green forest. Sunlight filters through the trees, creating a bright, hazy atmosphere. The path is covered in fallen leaves and small plants. The text 'PROVERBS' is written in large, white, serif capital letters across the middle of the image. Below it, a thin white horizontal line separates the word 'PROVERBS' from the phrase 'LIVING WISDOM', which is written in smaller, white, serif capital letters.

PROVERBS

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LIVING WISDOM



3:3 Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you;  
bind them around your neck;  
write them on the tablet of your heart.

3:5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart,  
and do not lean on your own understanding.

4:23 Keep your heart with all vigilance,  
for from it flow the springs of life.

12:25 Anxiety in a man's heart weighs him down,  
but a good word makes him glad.



12:30 A tranquil heart gives life to the flesh,  
but envy makes the bones rot.

16:9 The heart of man plans his way,  
but the LORD establishes his steps.

19:3 When a man's folly brings his way to ruin,  
his heart rages against the LORD.

20:9 Who can say, "I have made my heart pure;  
I am clean from my sin"?



21:2 Every way of a man is right in his own eyes,  
but the LORD weighs the heart.

27:19 As in water face reflects face,  
so the heart of man reflects the man.

28:1 The wicked flee when no one pursues,  
but the righteous are bold as a lion.

28:14 Blessed is the one who fears the LORD always,  
but whoever hardens his heart will fall into calamity.



# The Depth of our Hearts

Proverbs 3:3

Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you;  
bind them around your neck;  
write them on the tablet of your heart.

**Who  
God Is  
(his heart)**

**What  
God  
Does**

**Who  
We Are  
(our hearts)**

**What  
We  
Do**

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# Our Broken Hearts: *Two-Hearted*

<sup>3:5</sup> Trust in the LORD with ***all your heart***,  
and do not lean on your own understanding.

Jeremiah 17:9-10

The heart is **deceitful above all things,  
and desperately sick**;  
who can understand it?

<sup>10</sup> “I the Lord search the heart  
and test the mind,  
to give every man according to his ways,  
according to the fruit of his deeds.”

Genesis 6:5-6

The LORD saw that the wickedness  
of man was great in the earth, and  
that every intention of the thoughts  
of his **heart** was only evil continually.

<sup>6</sup> And the LORD regretted that he  
had made man on the earth, and it  
grieved him to his **heart**.



# Our Broken Hearts: *What it looks like*

<sup>19:3</sup> When a man's folly brings his way to ruin,  
**his heart rages against the LORD.**

Isaiah 29:13

And the Lord said:

“Because this people draw near with their mouth  
and honor me with their lips,  
while their **hearts are far from me**,  
and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,

<sup>21:2</sup> Every way of a man is  
right in his own eyes, but  
the LORD weighs the heart.

*The problem isn't our behavior,  
it's our hearts, our loves,  
which is revealed in our behavior.*



# Our Broken Hearts: *What it causes*

12:25 Anxiety in a man's heart **weighs him down**, but a good word makes him glad.

28:14 Blessed is the one who fears the LORD always, but whoever hardens his heart will fall into **calamity**.

Do you ever feel heavy, alone, hopeless and helpless...  
Like you can't get things right...  
Like your faith will never be strong enough...  
Like you are a disappointment?



# The Hope for a New Hearts

## We can't fix ourselves

20:9 Who can say, "I have made my heart pure; I am clean from my sin"?

## But God offers us a New Heart

16:9 The heart of man plans his way, **but** the LORD establishes his steps.

Isaiah 61:1

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me,  
because the Lord has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor;  
he has sent me **to bind up the brokenhearted**,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;



# The Gift of a New Hearts

## Psalm 51

Create in me a **clean heart**, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.

<sup>11</sup> Cast me not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

<sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

<sup>17</sup> The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;  
**a broken and contrite heart**,  
O God, you will not despise.

Jesus simply asks us to own the brokenness of our hearts and bring them to him.

On the cross his heart was broken on our behalf so that we could have his heart from this day on.



# The Result of a New Hearts

28:1 The wicked flee when no one pursues,  
but the righteous are **bold** as a lion.

4:30 A tranquil heart gives **life** to the flesh,

“God, you have made us  
for yourself, and our  
hearts are restless till they  
find their rest in you.”  
Augustine, 397<sub>AD</sub>

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LIVING WISDOM



## *Gospel Applied*

### *Who We Are*

In Christ you have a New Heart; you are loved, secure and valued.

### *What We Do*

Because of our new identity and value, we are **free from** captivity and **freed to** love freely.

### *How We Do It*

It is the Spirit that changes our hearts as well as works our new hearts outward.

Our hearts **FIRST** need to believe.  
From belief comes behavior by the power of the Holy Spirit.