#### **ROOTED**

Rooted is a class of mostly 20- to 40somethings that raises issues of living for Christ as young and growing families in our world today. There is a strong focus on building community in the group as we bring clear Biblical truth to daily life. The class utilizes a discussion format, so everyone is invited to share.

This semester, we will resume our study of the book of John. A unique and influential book in the Bible, John gives an account of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. The theme of mission is strong as Jesus sends out his followers to testify that He is the Son of God so that "whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." Join us in a study of this important gospel as we seek to live joyful, faithful, and missional lives.

Room: Conference Room

Instructors: Jordan Ayers, Troy Marsh,

Mark Richardson

#### LIVING BY FAITH

This year, the Living By Faith class will take a fresh look at a fundamental Biblical concept that is so easily overlooked, but forms the bedrock of the Christian life: Faith. Our study will be divided into two parts. First, we will study God's scriptural teaching on the role of faith in salvation, building on Protestant Reformation principles discussed in last summer's iLife series. Second, we will study what it means for believers to live by faith (Rom. 1:17; 2 Cor. 5:7), taking a particularly close look at the 'heroes of faith' discussed in Hebrews 11 and how their faith journeys apply to believers today. Craig Frisby and select guest speakers will teach, and all ages are welcome.

Room: #32

Instructor: Craig Frisby

Sundays, 9:15-10:15 am
You are welcome to visit
one or more classes
throughout the
semester.
Join us this Sunday!

## Adult Winter/ Spring Classes 2018

### **Compass**

Evangelical Free Church 600 Silvey St. Columbia, MO 65203 573-445-7206

# THE MEANING OF MARRIAGE

By Timothy Keller

In our culture today marriage is thought of in terms of "what can I get out of it". It is viewed, not as a commitment, but as a "contract between two people" for mutual individual growth and satisfaction. In this view, married persons marry for themselves.

God's purpose and design for marriage, however, is totally different. To fall in love is to look at another person and get a glimpse of the person God is creating, and to say, "I see who God is making you, and I want to be part of that!".

Some of the things we'll be looking at in Keller's Book are:

- The Secret of Marriage
- The Power of Marriage
- The Essence of Marriage
- The Mission of Marriage
- Loving the Stranger
- Embracing Each Other

The class is divided into groups. After each chapter presentation, interactive table discussion will be led by a host facilitator.

Act today as space is limited. Study guide material consists of the book, *The Meaning of Marriage*, by Timothy Keller. Cost is \$11 per book.

Room: #132 (main floor, by library) Instructors: Larry Glabe, Bill Boston

# CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS

Our class starts with community sharing, prayer, and praise before Bible study. We believe that it is crucial that we know what we believe and why we believe it, so when we encounter false doctrine we can stand firm on the knowledge of God's word.

As we study Romans, we'll discuss key doctrines Paul recorded for us. Romans brings out our human condition, and God's righteousness available to us. We'll seek to understand our place in God's overall plan of the gospel and maturing in His kingdom. Come strengthen your knowledge of the doctrines of our Christian walk and enjoy participating in a lively discussion.

Room: #31

Instructors: Steve Stanley, Dusty Walter,

Marilyn Brannan



# STUDYING TO BE APPROVED (STA)

This new year we are continuing our study of the Gospel according to Mark. Of all the Gospels, many unique features are found in the book of Mark. We are learning about the historical context and target audience of the book as well as what the Gospel of Mark has to tell us today. The portrait of Jesus is dramatic and moving, detailing many experiences of deliverance and demonstration of Jesus' power. Since Mark is the earliest gospel, Matthew and Luke had copies of Mark as they wrote, which adds a level of interest for us as we compare and contrast the three synoptic gospels. The parables of Jesus found in Mark's gospel, provide fruitful lessons us. We invite you to study this exciting book together with us!

Room: #33

Instructor: Pastor Ed & others

#### **GENERATIONS**

Places of the Bible: Using the Tools of Archeology and Geography

Each week we will focus on a specific city or site mentioned in Scripture, examine Biblical references, and explore the natural and historical evidence God has provided us. In particular, we will look for lessons or principles that have modern parallels.

Room: #35

Teachers: Dan Willett, Alan Hillard, &

**Duff Bottorff**