

# BBC UPDATE

### Bible Baptist Theological Seminary Begins 9th Year!



Dr. Thomas M. Strouse

On August 27, 2018, Bible Baptist Theological Seminary will begin her ninth year of seminary courses as a ministry of Bible Baptist Church. The New Testament instructs churches to train men in the word of God with the purpose of equipping them for service in the Lord's assemblies. The Baptist assembly is the divinely authoritative institution to teach the Bible and to prepare men for the pastorate. No other institution, whether religious, parachurch, or secular, has this divine privilege.

Scriptures to support the biblical assertions that the exclusive privilege to teach the Bible and train men for the work of the ministry extend only to the baptizing agency, the church which is the pillar and ground of the truth, include the following: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them Dr. Thomas Strouse teaching in in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you



the early years of his ministry

alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen" (Mt. 28:19-20); "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth" (I Tim. 3:15); and "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also" (II Tim. 2:2).

The Dean of Bible Baptist Theological Seminary, Dr. Thomas M. Strouse, will commence his forty-first academic year of seminary instruction, having taught hundreds of seminarians around the world in various places such as Dubai, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Korea, Philippines, Portugal, Puerto Rico, and in the USA, and conferring hundreds of master degrees and forty-five doctoral degrees on pastors, teachers, and missionaries. Dr. Strouse thanks the Lord Jesus Christ for enabling him through years, as he has determined to "wholly follow" the Lord.

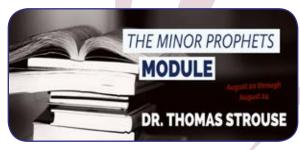
The Bible Baptist Theological Seminary schedule of courses starting on August 26, 2018 is the following:

Monday 9 AM-Noon: Bibliology II

Tuesday 6-9 PM: Greek I

Wednesday 9 AM-Noon: Minor Prophets I

## Fairhaven Baptist College Module



During the week of August 20-24, Dr. Strouse will be teaching the seminary module Minor Prophets I at Fairhaven Baptist College under the aegis of Fairhaven Baptist Church. The Bible College professors and seminarians usually enroll in these seminary modules. Several Bible professors have already received degrees from Bible Baptist Theological Seminary and several more are in pursuit

## Join us this summer for

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"I am the door: by me if any man enter in. he shall be saved." John 10:7

Inside or outside...







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August 23rd & 24th 6:00-8:30 pm

August 25th q:00 am- 12:00 pm

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Bible Baptist Church 40 Country Squire Road Cromwell, CT 06416

Open to all children entering K-5 through 6th grade

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## **Meeting Jesus Christ**

Text: Mark 5:1-20

Can you imagine meeting Jesus Christ? What would it be like to meet the Lord? Here is a Biblical account of just such a meeting, between one with an unclean spirit and Christ. This man was named Legion because of the

many devils or demons possessing his body. They controlled Legion, causing him to have great strength, always crying, and cutting himself, and causing him to live alone and among the tombs.

How interesting it was that the unclean spirits recognized Jesus Christ as the Son of the most high God, and who caused Legion to run and worship Him Christ. When the Lord spoke to Legion, he answered him honestly and the Lord helped him by casting out the unclean spirits, which entered a herd of swine and cause the whole herd to be choked in the sea. The end work of the unclean spirits is death.

What happened to Legion also happens to people today when they truly meet the Jesus of the Bible. It is a faith meeting, a believing of God's words, and acting upon them. Jesus said, But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his (John 1:12). When an individual believes, God makes him a part of His family. Also when Legion believed, and the Lord caused a change in his life. He was in his right mind (15), he was calm, settled, satisfied (15), he was clothed (15), he desired to be with Jesus (18) and he was a publisher, giving testimony of Jesus Christ (20). It is just as true today that when Jesus saves someone from sin and its penalty, He also changes them (2 Corinthians 5:17). Have you met Jesus Christ and changed? -CAR

### **DEVOTIONAL CORNER**

Quotes From the Past:

George Washington 1732-1799

1st President of the USA



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"If the freedom of speech is taken away then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter."

#### **BBTS Fall Schedule**

**Mondays** 

Bibliology II 9:00AM - 12:00PM

**Tuesdays** 

Greek I

6:00PM - 9:00PM

Wednesdays

**Minor Prophets I** 9:00AM - 12:00PM

All Courses Taught by Dr. Thomas M. Strouse Classes Begin Monday, August 27, 2018





## GROW IN GRACE DEVOTIONAL FOR WOMEN

#### The Contrast

Daniel 1:10 - 16

<sup>10</sup>And the prince of the eunuchs said unto Daniel, I fear my lord the king, who hath appointed your meat and your drink: for why should he see your faces worse liking than the children which are of your sort? then shall ye make me endanger my head to the king.

<sup>11</sup>Then said Daniel to Melzar, whom the prince of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,

<sup>12</sup>Prove thy servants, I beseech thee, ten days; and let them give us pulse to eat, and water to drink.

<sup>13</sup>Then let our countenances be looked upon before thee, and the countenance of the children that eat of the portion of the king's meat: and as thou seest, deal with thy servants.

<sup>14</sup>So he consented to them in this matter, and proved them ten days.

<sup>15</sup>And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh than all the children which did eat the portion of the king's meat.

<sup>16</sup>Thus Melzar took away the portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drink; and gave them pulse.

**Reflection:** The first verse in our passage today says the prince feared. His fear is in stark contrast with Daniel's fear. One feared man and one feared the LORD. What does the Bible say about whom one should fear?

**Proverbs 29:25** The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe.

The prince of the eunuchs stated that the king could have him put to death if he disobeyed and again in contrast Daniel was willing to go to his death for fear of the LORD.

Matthew 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

Melzar, the eunuch's name, can mean dubious, that is to say wavering, uncertain, doubting. Does his name suit him in this passage? Do you think the LORD used Daniel as a testimony of faith in Jehovah?

**Challenge:** Whom do you fear? What do the lost witness when they are around you? Is the Lord using you as a testimony of faith in HIM? Are you giving testimony to His greatness?

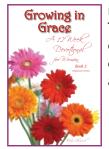
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### Growing in Grace: A 12 Week Devotional for Women Books 1 & 2



This 12 Week Devotional is a ministry of Bible Baptist Church in Cromwell, CT. It is designed for women, and is meant as a support for victory in daily Christian living. Spiritual victory comes by having the Genuine Christ, Accurate Biblical Teaching, Applying the Infallible Word of God, and a Humble Heart.

Using this Devotional Each day you will be given a daily Scripture followed by thoughts upon which to



reflect and a challenge for the day. To get the most out of this book, it is encouraged that you take the time each morning to reflect upon and apply each devotion.

"Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart." (Psalm 119:2)

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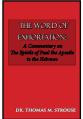
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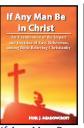
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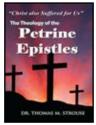
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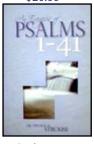
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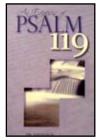
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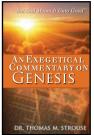
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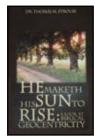
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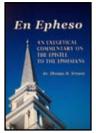


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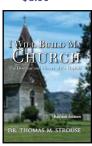
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## **BBC Labor Day Cookout!** September 3, 2018 2 PM to 7 PM

A-R Please bring side dishes S-Z Please bring desserts Meat and buns provided

Remember to bring lawn chairs!

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860-229-5387 RSVP



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