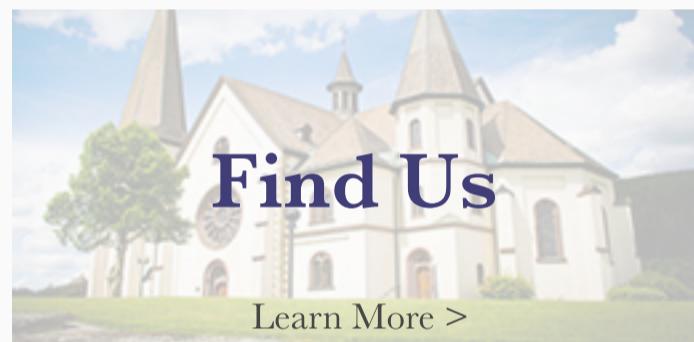


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**Lead a
Group**
Small Group

Lead a Group
April 12, 2015 - 6:00pm

Location: South Hall



Partnership Class

Partnership Class
March 26, 2015 - 7:00pm

Location: Main Enterence Upstairs

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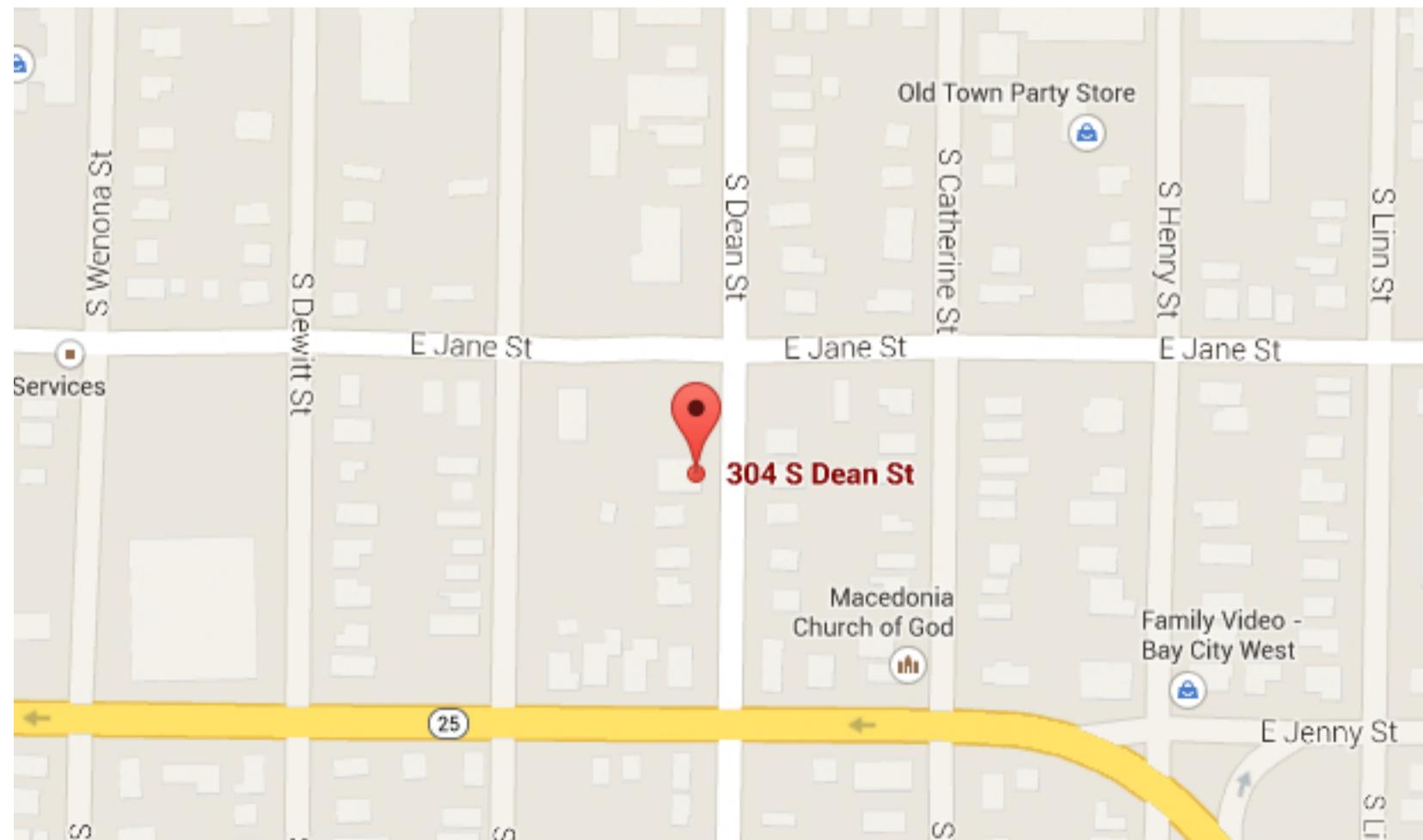


Service Time

Our worship services are Sunday at 9:15-10:30am and 11:00-12:15pm on Sunday mornings. Wednesday service begins at 7:00-8:15pm. Please dress casual and come as you are. Nursery and children's church are available for the entire services.

We hope to see you there!

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Small Groups



Adult Ministries

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Student Ministries

We offer a Student Ministry called Vintage on Sunday evenings for students in 7th-12th grade. This involves Expository Bible Teaching, community, opportunities to serve others, and great leaders to help your student in following Christ. For more information [email Amy Peterson](#)

Children Ministries

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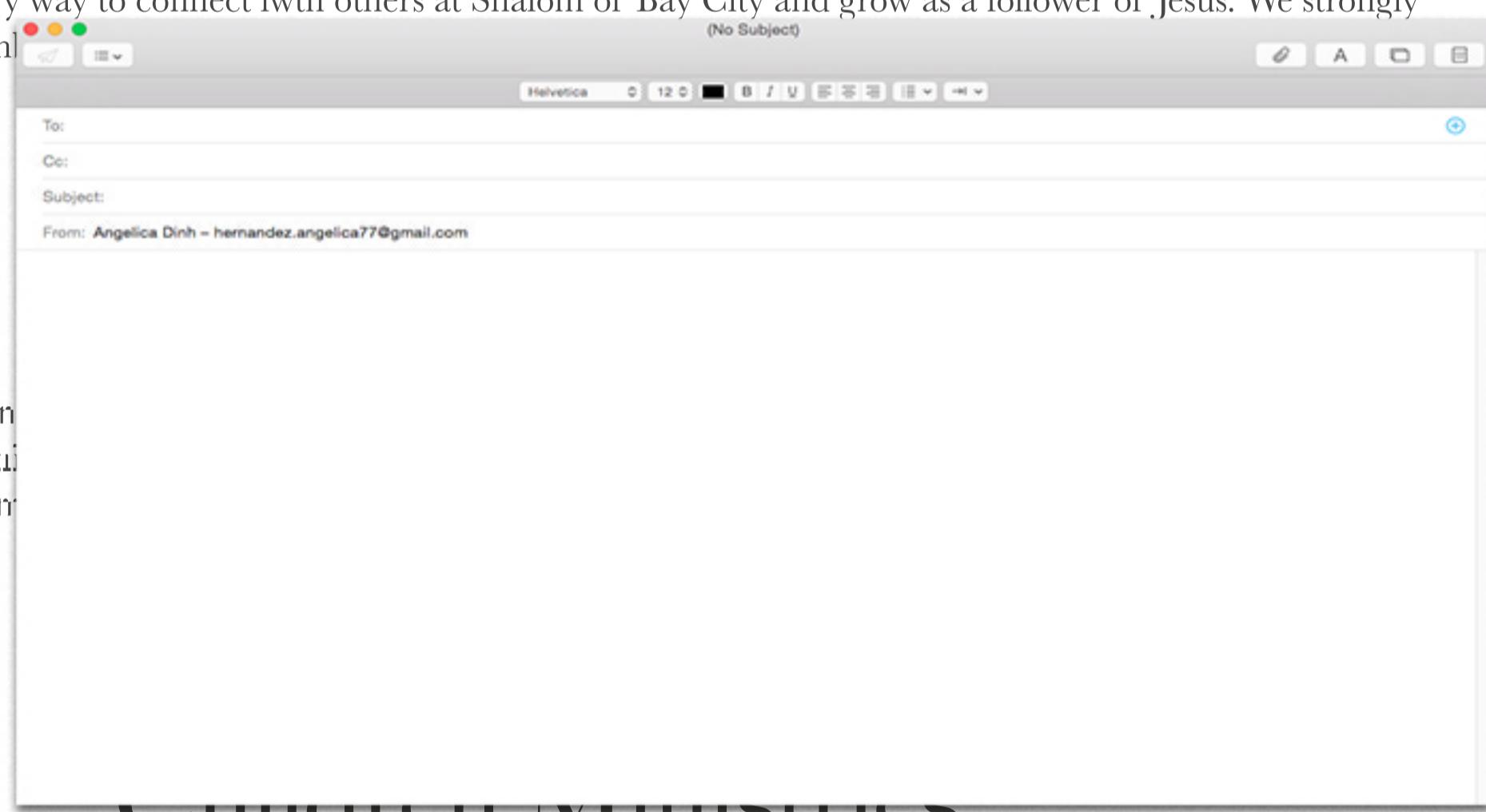
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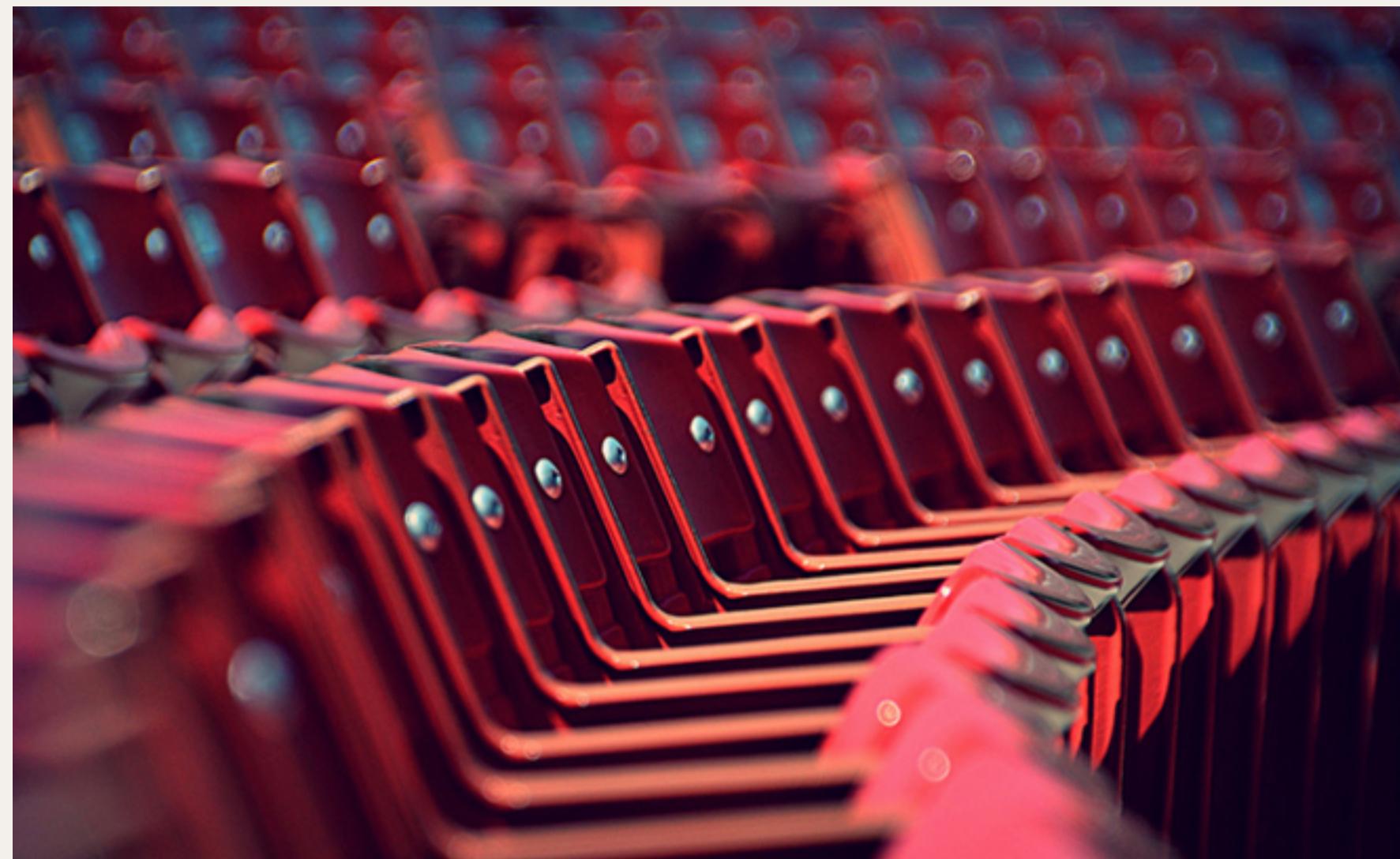
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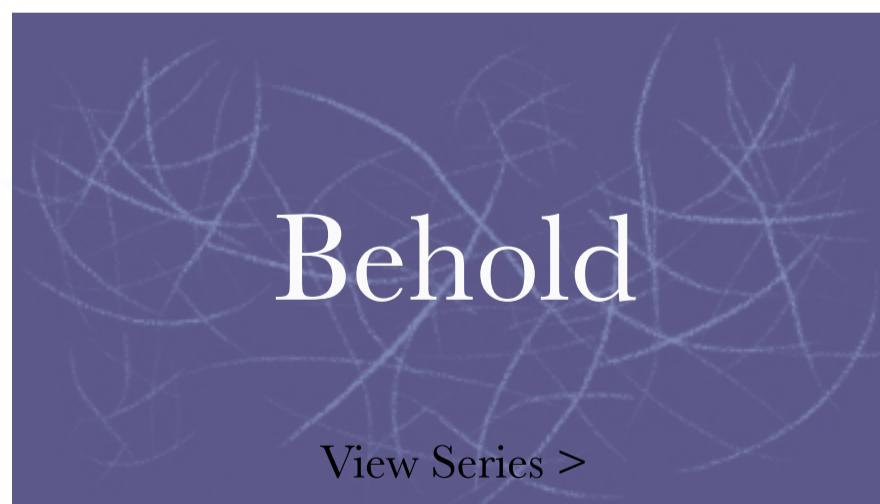


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First Things Last — Week 1 January 4th, 2015
Learn
Acts 2:37-41 (ESV)

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Romans 1:17 (KJV)

For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, “The just shall live by faith.”

Main Idea

What does it mean when we say we believe in someone, or believe in something? Saying we believe in something is easier than actually committing to it. This week we began a new series from Teaching Minister Jim Keller called First Things Last. In Acts chapter 2, Paul urges his listeners (believers and non-believers alike) to be Christ-centered—either making a new commitment to Christ or strengthening their current one.

Jim expounded on what Paul meant by this and what it means to have true faith by unpacking the development and process of faith (using Romans 1:17 as a guide). He described four aspects of faith: 1) Finding out what's true. Faith begins with examining the claims of Jesus and the Bible. The more we look into these claims, the more we find out they are worthy of our attention. 2) Loving a person. Christianity is more than a set of ideas. It is encountering the living person of Jesus and discovering He is worthy of our love. 3) Commitment. Faith is a process that lasts a lifetime. We have to commit ourselves to Christ for the long-term. 4) Gladly receiving and accepting Christ. This happens not just at the first moment of belief, but throughout our lives. We need to gladly receive and accept Christ's call on our lives on a daily basis.

Think

1. Which of these four aspects of faith do you feel like you need to focus on most?
2. What is challenging to you about any of these aspects of faith?

Discuss

1. Describe your process of faith so far. Which of these aspects have you already taken on? Which are you currently focusing on?
2. What do you feel is your next right step of faith?
3. How will you take that step?

Next Steps

Remember that faith is a process that goes beyond the moment of its inception. If you're still looking into the facts, there are several great books available in the Summit Resource Center that can help. If you're ready to make a commitment to Jesus or want to know more about what that means, let us or someone else who is a Christian know. If you're already following Jesus, pray and talk with others about what your next right step of faith may be.

In his sermon, Jim referred to an article by R.C. Sproul titled 3 Distinctive Aspects of Biblical Faith. You can read the article here: <http://www.ligonier.org/blog/what-faith>



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Dr. Jim

What does it mean to be committed to God's purpose



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Week 3: First Things Last: 1/18/2015

Dr. Jim

Being devoted to God means what to you?