

“For this reason we also thank God without ceasing, because when you received the word of God which you heard from us, you welcomed it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which also effectively works in you who believe.”

I Thessalonians 2:13

We provide **Teaching Series**.

- C. We openly **discuss** the Bible.

“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.”
Acts 2:42

“As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.”
Proverbs 27:17

We provide **Growth Groups**.

- D. We progressively **obey** the Bible.

“For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality;”

I Thessalonians 4:3

“and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,”
Colossians 3:10

“as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,”
I Peter 2:2

“For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept, Line upon line, line upon line, Here a little, there a little.”
Isaiah 28:10

We provide **Next Steps**.

I LOVE MY CHURCH BECAUSE WE VALUE OUR BIBLE!!

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We Love Our Bible

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INTRODUCTION

- A. Jesus loves the church and so should you!!

“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,”
Ephesians 5:25

- B. People from all walks of life from all over the world call Capital Baptist Church “home” and love this church. In this series, we will examine six core values of our church which cause us to love this church so much.

TODAY	We Love Our Bible
August 26	We Love Our Children
September 2	We Love Our Growth
September 9	We Love Our Diversity
September 16	We Love Our Groups
September 23	We Love Our Outreach

- C. **TEXT:** Psalm 119:113-120 (Pew Bible/Pg 601/Old Test.)

I. **WHY DO WE LOVE OUR BIBLE?**

- A. Because Of The **Origin** Of The Bible.

*“20 knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,
21 for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”*
II Peter 1:20-21

*“16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,
17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.”*
II Timothy 3:16-17

B. Because Of The **Indestructibility** Of The Bible.

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.” Matthew 24:35

*“23 having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,
24 because “All flesh is as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, And its flower falls away,
25 But the word of the LORD endures forever.”*
I Peter 1:23-25

C. Because Of The **Unity** Of The Bible.

The Bible is a compilation of **66** different books written by **40** different authors from **3** different continents in **3** different languages and written over a period of **1500** years. Yet, within each of the 66 books, we read an incredible unity of themes from Genesis through Revelation, progressively revealing God’s plan.

D. Because Of The **Prophetic Fulfillment** Of The Bible.

*“10 Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace that would come to you,
11 searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow.
12 To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you through those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things which angels desire to look into.”*
I Peter 1:10-12

E. Because Of The **Transforming Power** Of The Bible.

“For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” Hebrews 4:12

II. HOW WE LOVE OUR BIBLE?

A. We prayerfully **read** the Bible.

“This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.”
Joshua 1:8

“But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’” Matthew 4:4

We provide a **Growth Guide**.

B. We boldly **preach** the Bible.

*“1 I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom:
2 Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.
3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers;
4 and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.”* II Timothy 4:1-4