

# “God’s Building”

## Course Description:

There are a few topics of Bible study that allow you to stand as if upon a mountain top, gazing upon the breadth of Scripture from beginning to end, seeing the purposes of God as a continuous flow from eternity to eternity. “God’s Building” is one of these topics.

Used as a verb, “building” indicates God’s incessant action and purposeful drive. Used as a noun, it indicates the objects God is producing through His actions, building projects that work together to produce what God’s finally desires. By interacting with these building projects, God’s people could personally interact with God’s purpose in their day, and they could know God and touch His heart as few others could.

In this class, we will look at God’s major building projects through the Bible, considering both their purpose and the process of construction. Our hope is that through this topic, students would not only develop the “comprehensive view of Scripture” mentioned above but would also be full of insight and feeling concerning our interaction with God’s building in our present day.

**Instructor:** Mark Miller

**Time:** Tuesdays 8:00 – 9:00 PM

**Class Size:** Limit of 30

## Syllabus (week by week)

- 1) The Dwelling Place of God (Ephesians 2:19-22)
- 2) The Spiritual House (1 Peter 2:4-10)
- 3) The Body of Christ (Ephesians 4:15-16)
- 4) The First Companion (Genesis 2:15-25)
- 5) The Tabernacle | “Let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst” (Exo. 25:1-9)
- 6) The House of David | “The Lord will make *you* a house” (2 Samuel 7)
- 7) The Temple | “I have chosen and consecrated this house that My name may be there forever” (2 Chron. 6-7)
- 8) The Rebuilt Temple | “Go up to the hills and bring wood and build the house” (Ezra 1, Haggai 1)
- 9) The New Jerusalem | “whose architect and builder is God” (Rev. 21:9-22:5)

## Form of Class

The beginning of every class will be spent making sure every student has the “bird’s-eye view” understood. The rest of the class time will be spent in round-table Bible study and discovery, led by the instructor, in the current week’s topic and verse sections. Inspirational nuggets based on the verses will also be shared by the instructor at the end of the class.

## Homework

In preparation for each class, students can expect to read assigned portions of Scripture and to answer specific questions about these passages.