



Dear Friends,

Some of you grew up in churches that also met for Wednesday studies or services. In our day and age, such meetings might be useful to some of you! Hopefully you can avail yourself of one of our excellent 3 adult classes, or our youth class, elementary class, or pre-school class on Sundays. But if for some reason you can't make those, why not continue your spiritual growth by attending one of our Wednesday classes? For example, in September my class has spent 5 weeks just on Genesis chapters one through three! Sounds like a snail's pace, doesn't it? But ask my class members how I enrich our sessions and try to help us dig deeply into the Bible: The first week for Genesis 1:1-13, I featured part of Grieg's "Peer Gynt" Suite known as "Morning." It was a perfect way to describe the very first day. The second week I included "The Heavens Are Telling" from Haydn's "Creation" to help paint the picture created by Genesis 1:14-25. The third week I surprised the class by playing ex Beatle Paul McCartney's wonderful symphonic work called "Standing Stone." We heard three movements, "After Heavy Light: Fire/Rain," "Cell Growth," and finally the third movement, "'Human' Theme." That went with Genesis 1:26-2:7. Each week we plumb the scriptures peppered with stories from my experiences!

Can't come to church on Wednesday mornings? How about Wednesday evenings? Mary Ann and I will lead our 4-week DVD/discussion classes on "Forgiveness" from 7-8 p.m. in October. Then from the last Wednesday of November through the third Wednesday of December, we'll have another 4 week evening class based on "The Gift of the Nutcracker."

Finally for those who are going on our Holy Land trip in July (currently 37 persons are signed up) and especially for those who cannot go, I have a beautiful High Definition DVD a church member loaned to me. It's an Israel Tour with commentary! This is my offering for the Fall Semester of our Westminster Institute classes. You are invited to join me in Peninsula Hall either Tuesday October 9th from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.; or on Tuesday October 23rd from 7 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.

Choose what you might attend, and I'll hope to see you there!

In Christian Service,

Jeff Sumner