

SHEPHERDS' CONFERENCE

March 4-6,
2020



DOCTRINAL CLARITY FOR A CONFUSED GENERATION

It's no secret: we live in a world dominated by a lack of clarity. Whether it is over the definition of gender or the value of an unborn child, the world has fallen into a state of confusion. And behind it all is the lie of postmodernism: the idea that there is no such thing as objective truth. Echoing the words of Pontius Pilate, the modern man cynically asks, "What is truth?" (John 18:38). The very idea has become an antiquated concept.

Tragically, this kind of thinking has deeply permeated contemporary Christianity. Though many of us consider, however naively, evangelicalism to be immune to such ideology, the church has come to be shaped more by the world than the Word. For the sake of remaining relevant, pastors have set the Word of God aside, choosing rather to feed their hungry flocks with cute anecdotes and casual "talks." Starving and malnourished, God's people "long for the pure milk of the Word, so that by it [they] may grow in respect to salvation" (1 Peter 2:2). There is such a thing as truth, and God's Word is it.

The church is hemorrhaging, and only the clear application of God's Word will stop it. That is why the 2020 Shepherds' Conference theme is, "Twenty Twenty Vision: Doctrinal Clarity for a Confused Generation." Following our pastor's lead, the speakers will address critical issues facing the church today

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from a biblical perspective. We need clarity, not confusion, and we need to mobilize a generation of leaders to boldly confront error with the truth of God's Word.

You play a huge role in that endeavor. More than 800 members of our church family have selflessly volunteered their time, energy, and resources to serve at this year's Shepherds' Conference. What a remarkable testimony of the fruit of God's Spirit in His people.

But even if you are not able to volunteer in this way, you still play a pivotal role in the mission of Grace Church and the Shepherds' Conference. By joining in prayer, you are sustaining and strengthening the efforts of the volunteers, speakers, and attendees. To that end, please visit the Welcome Center this morning and pick up a prayer card. Each card holds the names of five attendees. Our goal is to pray for all the attendees by name, asking the Lord to bless their time at the conference and praying that the Word would produce a fruitful harvest in the hearts and lives of these men. It is a great joy to be able to tell the men when they arrive that our church has been praying for them by name.

We also invite you to view the conference sessions via livestream at shepherdsconference.org. Please note that in order to best accommodate and serve our nearly 3,000 attendees, the campus will be closed to non-attendees throughout the week.

As "the church of the living God" we stand as "a pillar and buttress of the truth" (1 Timothy 3:15). What a glorious calling we've received from our Lord and Savior! We encourage you to participate in this exciting endeavor as you lift your voices to God in prayer. ●

Visit <https://www.gracechurch.org/sermons/events/1337> for all twelve general sessions plus three lunchtime seminar sessions.

Wednesday, March 4

10:00 a.m.	General Session 1	John MacArthur
12:30 p.m.	Lunch Seminar	H.B. Charles
1:30 p.m.	General Session 2	Austin Duncan
3:30 p.m.	General Session 3	Paul Twiss
6:00 p.m.	General Session 4	H.B. Charles

Thursday, March 5

10:00 a.m.	General Session 5	Phil Johnson
12:30 p.m.	Lunch Seminar	Steven Lawson
1:30 p.m.	General Session 6	Abner Chou
3:30 p.m.	General Session 7	Conrad Mbewe
6:00 p.m.	General Session 8	Paul Washer

Friday, March 6

10:00 a.m.	General Session 9	Nathan Busenitz
12:30 p.m.	Lunch Seminar	Paul Washer
1:30 p.m.	General Session 10	Steven Lawson
3:30 p.m.	General Session 11	Michael Riccardi
7:00 p.m.	General Session 12	John MacArthur