

**BREAKING THE SILENCE ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
EPHESIANS 5:33**

I. Common Reasons People Stay in Abusive Relationships

- A. Fear
- B. False Promises
- C. Faulty Idea that Abuse = Love
- D. Fake Guilt
- E. Failure of Others to Believe
- F. Fighting for the Children's Safety
- G. Finances

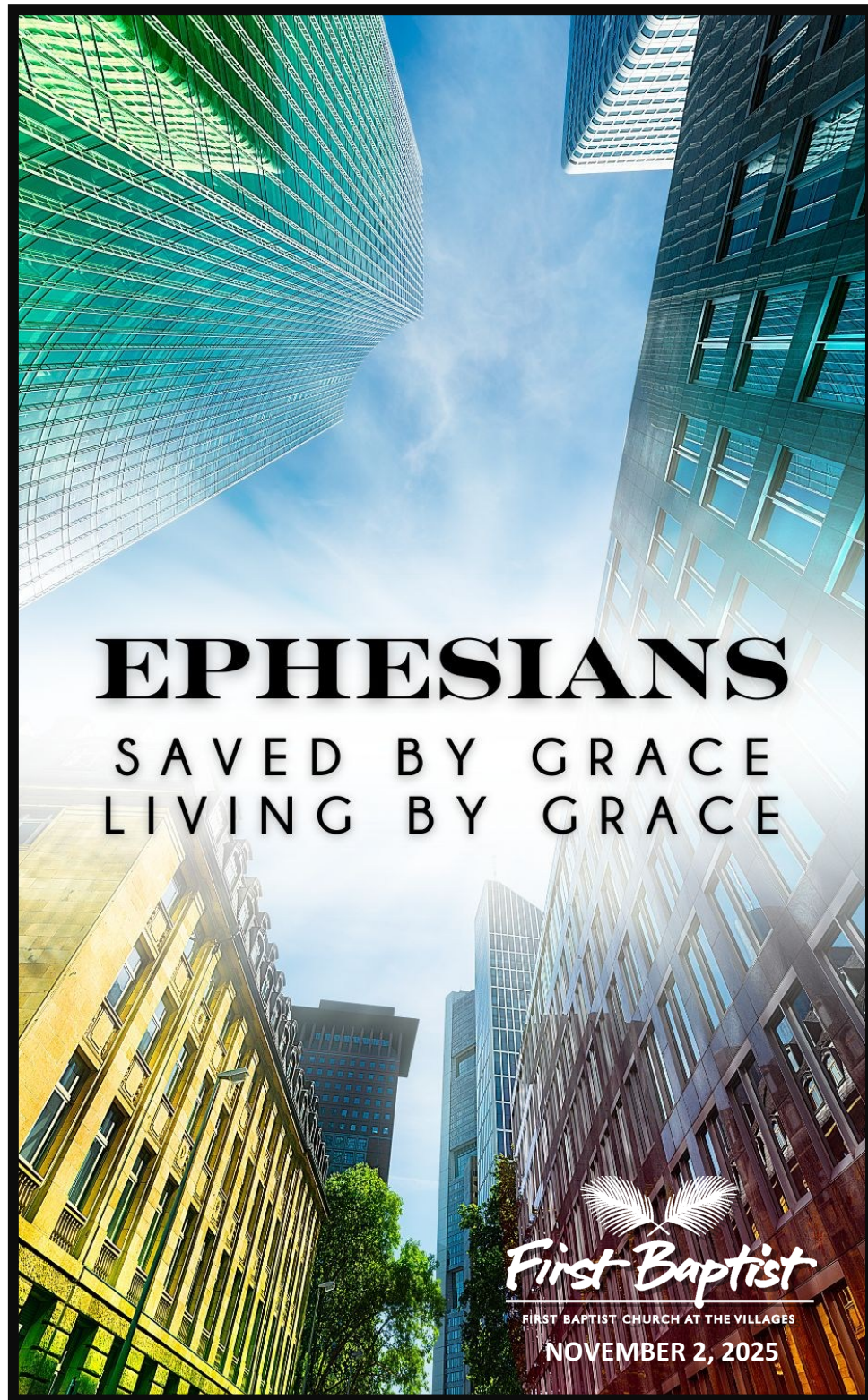
II. Biblical Critique

- A. Domestic Violence is a Crime. Romans 13:1-5
- B. Domestic Violence Violates the Sanctity of Life Principle.
- C. Domestic Violence Violates the Command for a Husband to Love His Wife As Christ Loves the Church. Ephesians 5:25
- D. The Bible Teaches us to Pray for Deliverance from the "Violent Man."
- E. God Hates Domestic Violence
- F. Domestic Violence Contradicts the Command to be a Peacemaker
- G. Domestic Violence is Unkind
- H. Domestic Violence is Inconsistent with the Fruit of the Spirit
- I. Domestic Violence Violates God's Command for Men to Respect The Physical Differences Between Men and Women.

*ALL SCRIPTURE READINGS ARE TAKEN FROM THE
NEW AMERICAN STANDARD (1995) VERSION OF THE BIBLE.*



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Welcome to Our Guests!

We are blessed that you chose to worship with us today! We hope you will feel right at home. If you need assistance or have a question, please ask any of our folks who are wearing a yellow lanyard or visit

The Guest Counter just inside the main doors or The Information Counter in the center of the Gathering Hall.

We pray your worship experience today is uplifting and enriching and that you will consider our church family your church family.

Just FYI: Restrooms are located in either corridor leading off The Gathering Hall. **Child Care** is available for infants and preschool age children. Our Worship Center is equipped with a **Hearing Induction Loop**. If needed, more information is available at the A/V area in the back of the Worship Center. We also have a **Medical Response Team** ready to assist you if needed during the Worship Service.

WEDNESDAY Nights

DON'T MISS THE CHANCE FOR
GREAT FOOD, FELLOWSHIP
AND BIBLE STUDY.
HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING:

- **Dinner is at 5:15** in the Gathering Hall, \$5/person or \$20/family. Sign up at the Info Desk, on our website, or send an email to familysupper@fbcvillages.org. Sign up is required to be sure we have enough food! **This week we are having pizza, salad, and a cookie.**
- **First Kids** activities are scheduled for 6:00 to 7:15pm in The Commons for Kindergarten thru 5th grade.
- **Midweek Service & Bible Study** at 6:15 in The Cove. Pastor Alan Branch will be teaching a study of the cults.

THE NEXT...

DISCOVERCLASS

...WILL BE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 9AM

If you're interested in becoming a member or just want to find out more about our church, you're invited to come!

You may sign up at the Information Counter in The Gathering Hall or online at fbcvillages.org.



Pick Up Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Today!

Once again this year we're supporting Samaritan's Purse in Operation Christmas Child, a shoebox ministry that sends the gospel to children around the world. Over 300 million children have received a shoebox since the program's inception!

Today, is the last Sunday to pick up empty shoeboxes along with instructions for how and what to pack. **Next Sunday, November 9,** is the last day to return packed boxes.



This year's Christmas Concert will be different than any we've ever done!

Instead of a choir presentation we will be hosting the Dove Award winning Christian vocal trio, SELAH. Come join us for a night of worship, Christmas favorites and some of their greatest hits!

December 8 & 9 ♦ 7pm ♦ \$20

Tickets are available online at fbcvillages.org.

Surviving the Holidays

NOVEMBER 19
11:30AM—1:00PM

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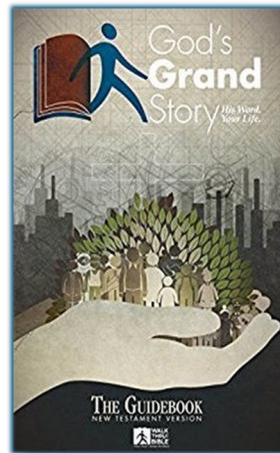
Surviving the Holidays is a gathering of others who know what it's like to walk through the holidays in grief. You will find connection and comfort in knowing you're not alone this season.

Grief is harder around the holidays. And when you're asking questions about your grief, a quick, cliché response is not what you need.

At GriefShare, you'll meet people who will listen, without judgement, and share helpful insights and advice. *If you have questions or would like to participate in these gatherings, please sign up at The Information Desk or call Carol Abrams at 352.430.4484.*

God's Grand Story!

We spent 6 weeks in The Old Testament and starting this month we will spend 6 weeks in The New Testament, seeing how God's plan has unfolded and His love continues to change lives. If you're not already in a class, sign up at the Info Counter. Books are \$10 and a schedule is available from each teacher. Classes are listed on our website at fbcvillages.org.



Online Giving is available!

More and more people are choosing to give online for its convenience and security. You can give on our website, www.fbcvillages.org, or you can give from your phone simply by scanning the QR code. →



Our church in the community



**IN CONCERT
AT FBCATV
Tomorrow
Nov 3, 7 pm**

The Villages Hometown Band will perform in concert here, at First Baptist Church At The Villages, under the direction of Hugh Wicks. Tickets are \$20 and are available at the door or online at www.bandsofthevillages.com

The FBCATV Golf Tournament

...will be played at
Broad Stripes Golf at Stonecrest on
Saturday, November 15 at 8:30am.
Cost is \$46 per person.
Sign up at The Information Desk.



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