

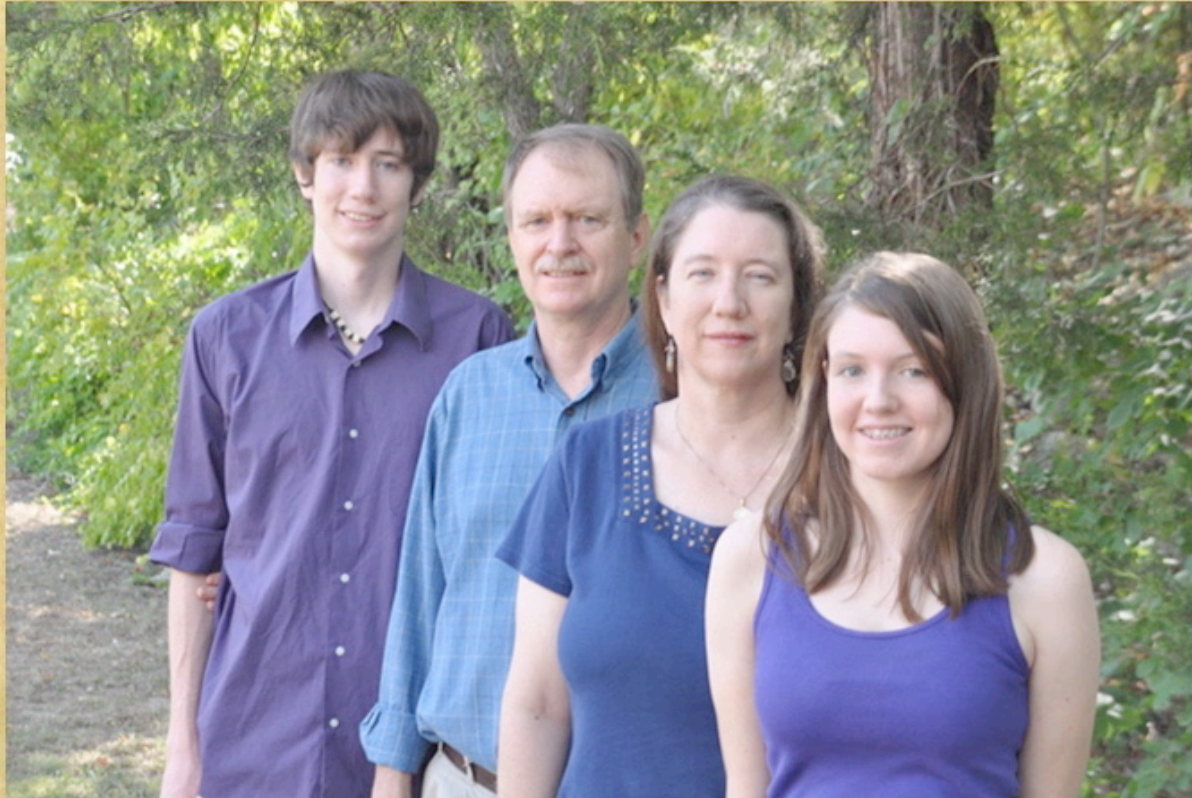


*Welcome to  
Sierra Community  
Church*

There is a time for  
everything, and a  
**SEASON** for every  
activity under  
heaven



**PATRICK & HEIDI ROSENDALL**  
**NATHANIEL & HANNAH**



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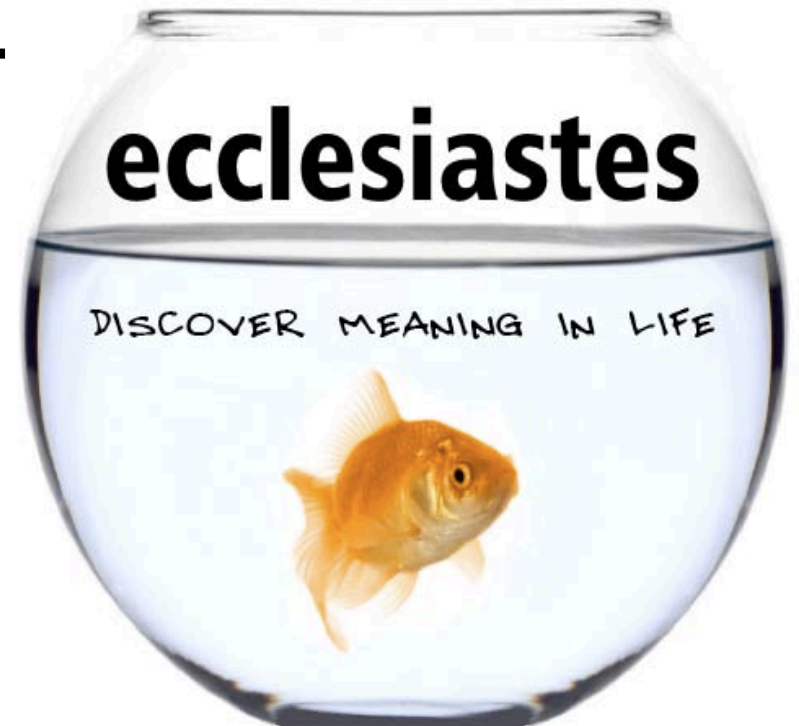
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# MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Each week from 7:15pm - 8:30pm



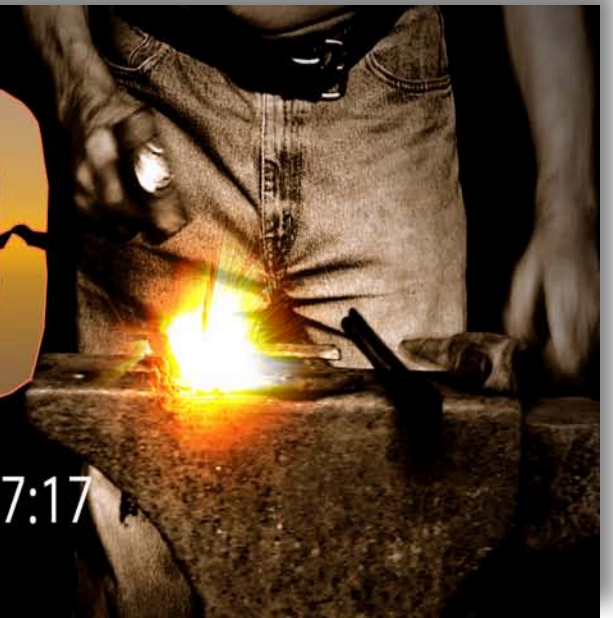
Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>

First Gathering

MENS MINISTRY  
6:30PM - 8:30PM  
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

# FORGED

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. -Prov. 27:17



# The Servant King



The story of the **King**... who came to **serve**.



**Mark**

**11:27-12:12**



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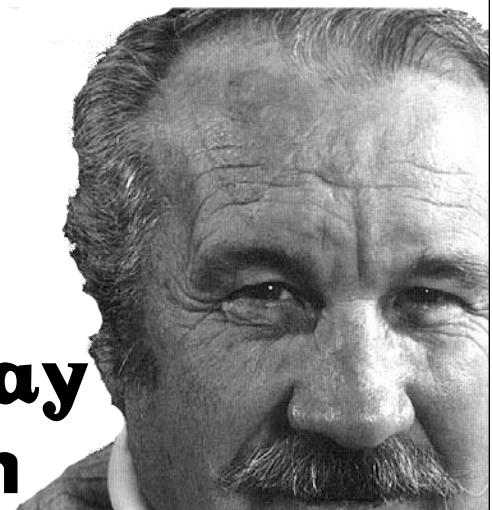
A. Heaven

B. Human Origin



All authority is either of God or men; there are no other authorities. ***We are either trying to please God*** and obey him, being responsive to truth that he reveals, and responsible to his power; ***or we are trying to please men***, to manipulate them and use them, or to gain something from them.

**Ray  
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**6 “He had one left to send, a son, whom he loved. He sent him last of all, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’”**



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**Key #2: To enjoy Gods**

**Peace, Presence and**

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# **Is God YOUR Authority?**

- 1. Do you know God's principles and priorities?**
- 2. Do you have people in your life that love God and speak His truth into your life?**
- 3. In the midst of life's challenges are you at peace with God?**





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