

05.10.2026
Mother's Day

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TCCO KIDS PARENTS: We are excited to announce the launch of a brand new curriculum for our TCCO Kids! It started this month in our Elementary rooms and will begin in June in our Preschool rooms. We can't wait to witness our TCCO Kids grow and connect even more to Jesus through this engaging and intentional curriculum. You will still receive a handout at pick-up each Sunday called "Table Talk." This tool will help spark meaningful conversations as a family, based on what your children learn in class each week. You should have also received an email with more detailed information. If you did not receive this recent email, have any questions, or would like more information, please reach out to Elaine, our TCCO Kids Director, elaine@theconnecting.co.

HELP US BUILD OUR TCCO KIDS TEAM: We need and are looking for additional compassionate, dedicated leaders who have a heart for walking alongside kids as they grow in their relationship with Jesus and their understanding of His love! We also need people who have experience with or feel called to serve alongside some of our children who have extra support needs. Your presence can make such a powerful difference in helping these kids feel seen, valued and loved as they grow in their relationship with Jesus. As we launch our new curriculum, this is a perfect time to step in and help us serve! If you're interested, please scan the QR code, fill out the form, and our TCCO Kids Director Elaine (elaine@theconnecting.co) will be in touch with you. We would truly love to have you join our amazing team of TCCO KIDS Leaders!



JOHN 3:16 SERVING OPPORTUNITY: Join others from TCCO from 5:30-7:30pm on the 4th Friday of each month to serve dinner to the shelter guests with our local outreach partner John 3:16 Mission. All volunteers 16 & older are welcome, and students ages 12-15 can serve with a parent. The next serve opportunity is Fri. 5/22! Contact Sarah Simpson to sign up or with any questions at outreach@theconnecting.co.

NO SUNDAY SERVICES on 5/24: On Memorial Day Weekend there will be no Sunday Services at TCCO. This is an opportunity for us to say THANK YOU to our Dream Team for serving week after week all year long and give them all a break. We also highly value the importance of time with family and friends. Please plan to use this time to be with your people and go be JESUS and THE CHURCH outside the 4 walls of our church building!

TCCO STUDENTS SUMMER HANGOUTS: All incoming 6th-12th graders and parents, be sure to follow TCCO Students on social media so you don't miss out on all the great opportunities we have planned for fun and connection this summer! Our 1st TCCO Students Summer Hangout will be @ Josh's Sno Shack in Jenks on Wed. 5/27 from 6:30-7:30pm. No registration needed; come and go as you can. Contact walter@theconnecting.co with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE

Wed. 5/13, TCCO Students+ Color Wars, 6:30-8:30pm
Wed. 6/17, TCCO Summer Worship Night, 7:00-8:30pm



IN LIGHT OF THE END

"When Life Doesn't Make Sense"

Leann Cherry



we exist to
connect people
to Jesus and
each other

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Ecclesiastes 3:1-15
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ECCLESIASTES 3:1–15 — ¹ *For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:*

² *a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; ³ a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; ⁴ a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; ⁵ a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; ⁶ a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; ⁷ a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; ⁸ a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.*

⁹ *What gain has the worker from his toil? ¹⁰ I have seen the business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with.” ¹¹ He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man’s heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. ¹² I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; ¹³ also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God’s gift to man.*

¹⁴ *I perceived that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it. God has done it, so that people fear before him. ¹⁵ That which is, already has been; that which is to be, already has been; and God seeks what has been driven away.*

Four Seasons in Life:

1. Spring: Growth, Rebirth, and Potential
2. Summer: Action, Abundance, and Maturation
3. Autumn: Harvest, Reflection, and Letting Go
4. Winter: Rest, Reflection, and Inner Work

Life is not a linear march toward an end, but a series of overlapping seasons and growth.

The only way OUT is THROUGH!

Our faith is often deepened and strengthened most in the seasons of struggle...if we will bring all our fears, questions, and doubts to God.

The entire book of Ecclesiastes is actually an invitation to join the struggle.

Wise people see a moment and respond with a proper response to a moment.

I don’t control all things. But I do control how I respond to all things as they come.

Three Truths from Ecclesiastes 3:

1. God Runs the Show!

God promises to make ALL things beautiful in His time!

God defines “good” and “beautiful” very different than the world does.

2. God Has Put Eternity Into Man’s Heart

“We do not want merely to see beauty...We want something else which can hardly be put into words—to be united with the beauty we see, to pass into it, to receive it into ourselves, to bathe in it, to become part of it.” — C.S. Lewis

God has wired each one of us to long for something eternal.

3. God Won’t Let Us Grasp The Whole Picture

Two Responses for Each One of Us:

1. You must accept that you are bound in time and you live for the moment.

Be where your feet are!

2. You must learn to revere the eternal

Eternity is not an IT; it is a WHO! When we end up chasing the IT, we miss out on the WHO!

God’s desire is that we will not be led to eternity alone, but that we will be led to the eternal one!

Our Job ↔ Live in a Moment

His Job ↔ Run the Universe