

ANNOUNCEMENTS

10.11.2026

CHILD DEDICATION SUNDAY: Several places in scripture we see examples and the importance of dedicating our children back to the Lord. Our next Child Dedication Sunday is scheduled for Sun. 10/25. This opportunity is open to all parents of children that have not been dedicated to the Lord yet. Sign-up using the QR code by TODAY, Sun. 10/11. For questions, please contact our TCCO Kids Director, Elaine Hathaway at elaine@theconnecting.co.

TCCO STUDENTS+ COSTUME KICKBALL NIGHT: All 6th-12th grade students are invited to join us on Wed. 10/28 for our next TCCO Students+ Night, 6:30-8:00pm; doors open at 6:15pm. Wear your favorite costume and invite all your friends! Come ready to play some kickball, enjoy a popcorn bar! There will be a prize for the best costume! Contact Pastor Walter at walter@theconnecting.co with any questions!

TCCO's ANNUAL PARTY ON THE LAWN: Join us for this MUCH LOVED annual event scheduled for Sun. 11/1, 5-7pm, on TCCO's front lawn! We will have food trucks, balloon animals, face painting, petting zoo, inflatables, bonfire and many other fall treats, activities, and fun yard games! This is a perfect event to invite your friends & family to join us! Everyone needs to bring your own seating...so don't forget lawn chairs, blankets, etc. We also need everyone in our TCCO Family to help us out, and RSVP with your name and the total number coming with you/your group, using the QR code, no later than 10/28! We can't wait to see you all there, to have FUN together, and to CONNECT as a church family & as a community!

TCCO KIDS CONNECT EVENT: Join us for our next TCCO Kids Connect Event on Fri. 11/13 from 9:30-11:30am at The Sand Patch in Tulsa! TCCO Kids has rented out the entire facility just for our group. Kids will have a blast playing in the indoor sand boxes, while parents get to enjoy a coffee and connect with one another. Use the QR code to register. Contact elaine@theconnecting.co with any questions. We can't wait to see you there!

SPONSOR TCCO'S UPCOMING EVENTS: All TCCO business owners who feel led are invited to help support our TCCO events throughout the year (Party on the Lawn, Marriage Conference, SHE, etc.). If you would like to contribute through a monetary donation, through sponsoring a specific part of an event, or by donating goods or services to be used as prizes/giveaways for an upcoming event, please contact Allison@arcobuilding.com at any time. Thank you for making our community stronger through your generosity!

SAVE THE DATE

Wed. 10/14, No TCCO Students - Fall Break

Sun. 11/15, TCCO Gives Launch, 9am & 11am

Sun. 11/22, Decorate TCCO for Christmas, 12:15pm



“GOD IS...”

WEEK 4

EL SHADDAI

Travis Cherry



we exist to
connect people
to Jesus and
each other

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The end of my ability is not the end of God’s ability!...It is actually often where we finally get out of the way and allow God to be truly God in and over our lives!

EI Shaddai: The All-Sufficient One, The God Who is Able

EI Shaddai: God Almighty

Genesis 17:1-2, 6, 17 —¹ When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless,” ² “that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.”

⁶ “I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you.”

¹⁷ Then Abraham fell on his face and laughed and said to himself, “Shall a child be born to a man who is a hundred years old? Shall Sarah, who is ninety years old, bear a child?”

Truths we can see in Scripture about God as El Shaddai:

1. EL SHADDAI IS ABLE WHEN I AM NOT

We are tempted to begin using our own limitations as the measuring stick for God’s ability.

My inability does not determine or dictate God’s ability!

Maybe the problem in our lives and in our situations, isn’t God’s ability at all...maybe we’re simply using the wrong measuring stick.

El Shaddai doesn’t mean God is obligated to use His power to accomplish everything I want and desire.

2. EL SHADDAI’S POWER SERVES HIS PROMISE

Romans 4:18-19 — ¹⁸ In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb.

Biblical faith is not pretending reality isn’t real.

Romans 4:20-21 — ²⁰ No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.”

Faith isn’t confidence that God will accomplish my agenda...faith is confidence that God is capable of accomplishing His purposes.

The strength of faith isn’t ultimately found in the person believing...it’s found in the God being believed in.

Too many of us have confused biblical faith with optimism.

3. EL SHADDAI FREES ME FROM HAVING TO BE ENOUGH

Often our exhaustion and burnout comes from trying to carry responsibilities and weight God never asked us to and never assigned to us.

“Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.” — *Corrie Ten Boom*

Genesis 43:14 — ⁴³ May God Almighty grant you mercy before the man, and may he send back your other brother and Benjamin. And as for me, if I am bereaved of my children, I am bereaved.

2 Corinthians 12:8, 9a, 9b —⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ^{9a} But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” ^{9b} Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Your weakness does not threaten his strength.

2 Corinthians 3:5 — Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God,

I must stop demanding from myself or depending on myself what only God can provide.

Luke 1:37 — For nothing will be impossible with God.

The greatest demonstration of El Shaddai’s power isn’t that He can make my life easier...it’s that He can accomplish redemption in my life and story.

1 Corinthians 1:18 — For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Romans 4:21 — fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

Questions for Reflection:

Where have I allowed my own limitations to wrongly become my definition of God’s ability?

In what areas of my life have I depended on myself or demanded from myself something only God can provide?

What weight or responsibility have I been carrying that God never asked me to?