# **Bellington exists to pursue the glory of God by making disciples, biblically shepherding them to love Jesus Christ and then live according to His truth.**

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9:00 & 10:30 AM CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IS AVAILABLE FOR BOTH SERVICES

# HE LOVES HER: HE DEEPLY LOVES HER - TREY MEESTER

her (see Phil 2:5–8) — but He did so for a purpose, or better for purposes. What are these purposes? Page Most readily it was for her sanctification. He gave Himself up so that she would be set apart and dedicated to His holy use. A purpose He has and is accomplishing by bathing her with His word a word straight from the mouth of God. We find that word explicitly in the Bible; indeed, it is the Bible, which is why we need constant exposure to it - Christ died so that we would be cleansed by it. pastoria

Moreover, He loved her so deeply that He gave Himself up for her in order that He would not only receive her, but also to present her to Himself in splendor. He seeks the church's greatest good there is no greater good than union with Christ. That pursuit of the greatest good is the meaning of love. It is His love that leads to His death in order to sanctify His body, so that she would be suited for Him.

So ultimately, He died in order to bring her to a place absent of defect and completely and continually holy. His love motivated Him to sacrifice in this way. His love accomplishes corporately, what the Father set out to do individually (Eph 1:4). Christ loves the church as Himself, so He makes the church perfectly suited for Him.

He expresses these purposes in the midst of a passage charging husbands to love their wives in this exact same way, to this same degree (Eph 5:25–33). He loves her — He deeply loves her! He loves her so deeply that it is a mystery that can only be revealed by God Himself, but by His grace we can understand the depth of His love (3:17–19). We can understand it to the point that we can mirror it in our marriages. So, husband, do you love your wife? Christian, you are loved in this way, but not only you - the whole church corporately. There is only one proper response to this love. You should respond in submissive fear (Eph 5:21-24, 33); you should pursue holiness (Eph 4:24, 30; 5:18).

Christ loves His church; He loves her as His own. He loves her so deeply that He gave Himself up for

... and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of His great might that He worked in Christ when He raised him from the dead ... Ephesians 3:19

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Two are better than one because they have a good return for their labor. For if either of them falls, the one will lift up his companion. But woe to the one who falls when there is not another to lift him up. **Ecclesiastes 4:9-10** 



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Be exalted, O LORD, in Your strength! We will sing and praise Your power. Psalm 21:13

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MAY 2, 9, 16, 23

### **RECURRING EVENTS:**

Men's Bible Study: every Wednesday at 6:30 am - Panera Bread Brannon Crossing

Men's Breakfast: Saturday, May 1st at 8:30 am

Women's RefresHER: Saturday, May 8th at 9:00 am

