

## A Thriving School Year – Brandon McGee

### Psalm 1:1-3

**The goal is not to *survive* the school year, or to simply get by and get through the school year, but to THRIVE through it.**

Thrive – to flourish or grow VIGOROUSLY

### How do we Thrive?

#### ❖ Remain Planted

- It's about DELIGHT, not obligation
- Meditate on His Word, Immerse yourself in Worship, reading, and His Presence
- Hebrews 6:19
- Ways to stay rooted personally and as a family:
  - Attend Church Together (Psalm 122:1; Hebrews 10:24-25)
  - Make being in the House of the Lord a Priority (Psalm 69:9)
  - Pray Together (Matthew 18:20; 1 John 5:14)
  - Serve Together (Joshua 24:15)
  - Seek the Lord Together (Jeremiah 29:12-13)
    - Why is it important to delight in the things of God rather than be obligated? Can our delight affect the people around us?

#### ❖ Bear on another's burdens

- Matthew 11:28-30; Romans 12:10; Galatians 6:2
- Most of the time, WE can't fix people or situations, but we can be there to point them to the One who can
  - What are some practical ways we can bear one another's burdens? How can this bless others and ourselves?

#### ❖ Share your Faith

- Acts 1:8; Mark 16:15; Romans 1:16; Romas 5:8
- Your testimony may be a miracle to someone else
  - How can we share our faith with those around us? Does it require a sermon?

#### ❖ Trust the Lord

- Proverbs 3:5-6; Jeremiah 17:7-8
  - What does trust mean to you? How does trusting God keep us rooted?