

Exploring the Long Trail of Scripture—From Peak to Peak

Discovering a larger story in which the stories of our lives can be located

It seems our whole planet now needs, more than ever, a good story to live in and to live by. Transformative questions arise as we journey for spiritual discovery, reach for deeper faith, and try to re-imagine the story of God.

- **Can forward-looking people reconcile faith in response to the reality of the world we live in today?**
- **Can the spirit of a relevant Christianity be reconciled with faith-busting themes like evolution & origins, death & the meaning of life, faith & doubt, human relationships & destiny?**
- **Can the Biblical story help us not merely endure, but by God’s grace, help us create a better future?**



Using Brian McLaren’s book “The Story We Find Ourselves In” as our text, coupled with key Old and New Testament passages, Rev. Larry Detweiler, pastor of the Community Church of Huntington and volunteer inter-faith hospital chaplain, will guide us as we explore seven of the Bible’s main peaks in The Long Trail of Scripture. Brian McLaren—activist, author, teacher, musician, songwriter, and founding pastor of an innovative, nondenominational church in the Baltimore-Washington area—has been named as one of the most influential Christian leaders in America. As for who wrote the Bible—well, some would simply say that it was authored by fellow travelers, inspired by a God who desires to be known by and in relationship with us.

We invite you to join us for a 7-week series of classes as we explore The Long Trail of Scripture and its relevancy to the world we live in today.

The class will be held on Thursday evenings from October 2nd through November 13th from 7:00pm – 8:30pm at the Community Church annex in Huntington Center. Purchasing or borrowing McLaren’s book and The Bible (e-book, used, and new copies are available online or through your favorite bookstore) for the reading assignments are the only cost to participate—along with a desire to join, in a spirit of open exploration, a structured series of classes held in a safe, respectful environment. The recommended reading assignments (about 2 hours/week) are outlined in the detailed syllabus, along with suggestions for supplemental reading—such as “The Language of God: A Scientist Presents Evidence for Belief” by Francis Collins (physician-geneticist leader of the Human Genome Project).

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