

Faith Baptist Bible College

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Today we welcome Pastor Ryan Coon to share an update from Faith Baptist Bible College and Theological Seminary and to preach from Psalm 90. Use this guide to learn about Faith, pray for its ministry, and respond personally to God's Word.

Preparing Servants for Local Church Ministry

Located in Ankeny, Iowa, Faith exists to disciple and equip vocational Christian workers and leaders for service in local churches around the world. Its college program joins a strong Bible core with vocational and general education so graduates can minister with biblical conviction, practical skill, and a heart for people.

A brief history The school began as Omaha Bible Institute in 1921, became a four-year college, and relocated to Ankeny in 1967. Faith Baptist Theological Seminary was established in 1986, the same year Faith merged with Denver Baptist Bible College and Seminary.

What Distinguishes Faith

- Bible-centered preparation: every four-year graduate completes a Bible major alongside a chosen professional or ministry field.
- Local-church focus: classroom learning is designed to strengthen faithful service in and through Baptist churches.
- Personal discipleship: students learn in a Christ-centered community shaped by professors, mentors, chapel, and ministry experience.
- Practical opportunity: academic programs, athletics, student life, and hands-on ministry help students develop gifts for lifelong service.

Faith at a Glance

Feature	Current Snapshot
Location	1900 NW Fourth Street, Ankeny, Iowa
Learning community	15 to 1 student to staff ratio
Student support	99 percent of students receive financial aid
Outcomes	90 percent of graduates have a job waiting; 70 percent graduate debt-free

Pray and Partner

- Pray for students to grow in their love for Christ, His Word, and His church.
- Pray for faculty and staff to model faithful doctrine, godly character, and wise mentorship.
- Pray for God to call and prepare the next generation of pastors, missionaries, teachers, and ministry leaders.
- Consider how our church can encourage students, recommend prospective students, and support ministry training.

Learn more faith.edu | College information reflects official Faith materials accessed September 2026.

Psalm 90 Sermon Guide

Teach Us to Number Our Days | Psalm 90 | Guest Speaker Pastor Ryan Coon

Main idea Because God is eternal and we are frail and sinful, we should depend on Him for wisdom, mercy, joy, and work that has lasting value.

Key verse “So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.” Psalm 90:12

Setting and Structure

Psalm 90 is identified as a prayer of Moses. It places the eternal majesty of God beside the brevity of human life, then turns that contrast into a prayer for wise, joyful, fruitful living.

1 Remember the Eternal God

Text Psalm 90:1–2

- God has been the dwelling place of His people in every generation.
- Before creation began, God was—and He remains God forever.

Truth to remember Our security rests in God’s unchanging character, not in changing circumstances.

2 Recognize Our Frailty and Sin

Text Psalm 90:3–11

- Human life is brief: generations return to dust, and years pass like a watch in the night.
- Humanity is accountable: our sins are fully known before the holy God.

Truth to confess We cannot understand life rightly until we take both mortality and sin seriously.

3 Respond with Wisdom and Dependence

Text Psalm 90:12–17

- Ask God to teach us to number our days and gain a heart of wisdom.
- Ask for compassion, steadfast love, gladness, and a renewed awareness of God’s work.
- Ask God to place His favor on us and establish the work of our hands.

Truth to practice A wise life receives each day as God’s gift and invests it in work only He can make endure.

Personal Response

1. What does Psalm 90 teach me about God that should steady my heart?
 2. Where am I living as though my days are unlimited or my sin is insignificant?
 3. What work, relationship, or responsibility do I need to ask God to establish?
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My prayer *Lord, teach me to number my days, satisfy me with Your steadfast love, and establish the work of my hands for Your glory.*