



# GOSPEL COMMUNITIES

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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1. ***Review Gospel Appointment documents and distribute people to follow-up with from planning center.***
2. **Blue Tiger Freshman Move-In** — Can you hand out water? Flyers? Help freshman move-in? Smile? WE NEED YOU!! Saturday, August 10th, hundreds of freshman are moving into Lincoln University and we need at least 50 volunteers to assist them.  
- **Saturday August 10<sup>th</sup> 7:30a at Dawson Hall (Park @ Soma)**
3. **Planning Center** — **PLEASE** setup your Planning Center account ASAP so we can best communicate with and honor you as our volunteers. Go to [planningcenteronline.com](http://planningcenteronline.com), connect to our church, and sign up for text alerts.
4. **Covenant Membership** - Church membership is a covenant relationship. We're accountable to God & one another. Worship attendance, service, communion, the ministry of the Word, submission to elders, & holiness aren't arbitrary requirements of membership but mandatory commands of Jesus. If you want to join Soma come to our class!  
- **2pm; Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>**
5. **Baptism** - Baptism is a clear command of the Lord Jesus Christ for all believers. This is why it is one of the ordinances of the Christian Church (the Lord's Supper being the other). Believer baptism in water reflects a prior inward cleansing (1 Pet. 3:21) when the person was born again (Jn. 3:3, 5), made a new creation in Christ (2 Cor. 5:17), and offers an opportunity for this new believer to profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ publicly. If you want to be baptized please go to [somajc.org/membership/baptism/](http://somajc.org/membership/baptism/)  
- **Sunday August 18th during the Sunday gathering**

# QUESTIONS

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1. Do you think the Lord appears to individuals these days as He did to Abram? If yes how? If no why not?
2. Has He appeared to you?
3. Have you ever wondered why the Bible says Abraham saw 3 men, yet when he addressed them he said “My Lord” and not My Lords? Genesis 18:2-3. Also see verses 9-10 and verse 13.
4. There is a saying that when you entertain strangers you entertain angels. How does this saying apply to this passage?
5. Sarah laughed within herself saying, “After I have grown old, shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? If you were Sarah, would you have laughed at what God said? If yes, why? If no why not?”
6. What is the difference between the responses to the question in Luke 1:34 and Luke 1:18?
7. What does Genesis chapter 17:16-17 and 18:12-13 have in common?
8. What has God told you He will do for you and you said to yourself, “I do not think so because of what you know?”
9. What theme can you come up with from the following verses:
  - a. Genesis 12:6 -7 Abram passed through the land to the place of Shechem, as far as the terebinth tree of Moreh. And the Canaanites were then in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your descendants I will give this land.” And there he built an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him.
  - b. Genesis 13:14 to 18 And the Lord said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him: “Lift your eyes now and look from the place where you are- northward, southward, eastward, and westward; “for all the land which you see I give to you and your descendants forever, “And I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth; so that if a man could number the dust of the earth, then your descendants also could be numbered. “Arise, walk in the land through its length and its width, for I give it to you.” Then Abram moved his tent, and went and dwell by the terebinth trees of Mamre, which are in Hebron, and built an altar there to the Lord.
  - c. Genesis 26:24-25 And the Lord appeared to him the same night and said, “I am the God of your father Abraham; do not fear, for I am with you. I will bless you

and multiply your descendants for My servant Abraham's sake." So he built an altar there and called on the name of the Lord, and he pitched his tent there; and there Isaac's servants dug a well.

10. What circumstances have you encountered in your life that you doubted God would handle because of what you know, and yet, He took care of it to demonstrate that there is nothing too hard for the Lord?