



HOW TO ENJOY
Family
AND MAKE
Fall
MEMORABLE

Fall is a wonderful time of year! The leaves turn colors, football is in full swing, and Starbucks is serving pumpkin spice lattes. While we all have favorite things we enjoy about the fall season, there are many opportunities we should take advantage of as well.

1. MAKE TIME FOR FUN

If we are not careful, life will pass us by and we will not have smiled or laughed enough. I asked my five-year-old daughter what she was looking forward to this fall and she said she couldn't wait to jump in a pile of leaves with me! Make time for fun with your family even if it's as simple as jumping in a pile of leaves.

2. SPEND TIME REFLECTING

Fall is a great time to stop and take inventory of your year and your life. Where are you in life? Where do you want to be? For what are you grateful? What needs to improve?

3. TAKE FAMILY PICTURES

Buy a good camera (if you don't already have one) and capture the beauty of your spouse, children, or grandchildren. The gorgeous array of colors and golden light makes an ideal time of year for great photos and great memories.

4. GO TO A GOOD CHURCH

Warning, sales pitch coming: Eastland Baptist Church is one of the best churches in the world. With that being said, there are many great churches in which to worship the Lord this fall. The important thing is that you are in a Bible-preaching church with your family and are investing your lives into something that will last for eternity. If you don't have a church home we want you to come to ours!

Don't let Fall 2014 pass you by without doing something that you and your family can enjoy. Be intentional in your effort and purpose to make this fall a memorable one.

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PUMPKIN PATCH SUNDAY

OCTOBER 5

ALL CHILDREN UNDER 12
WILL RECEIVE A PUMPKIN



FALL FESTIVAL DAY OCTOBER 12



Come enjoy a carnival atmosphere with food, games, and fun for the whole family after the Sunday morning service.



ALL YOU NEED IS *Love*

As 400 million people in 25 countries watched, the Beatles performed, “All You Need Is Love” to close the broadcast, *Our World* on June 25, 1967. The manager of the Beatles said of the song, “It is a clear message saying that love is everything.” It sure makes for a catchy, feel-good song, but as for advice concerning a marriage—it falls short. I love my wife. My wife loves me. But if all we have in our relationship is love, as the Beatles have advised, it simply will not be enough. In fact, more than 50% of marriages fail today because love is not enough.

One man has said, “Love is spelled W-O-R-K.” In theory, we would like for love to be enough; but in reality, a successful, happy marriage requires more than love, it requires work. My marriage is a work in progress. Most marriages that are successful, enduring, and joyful have the same thing in common—work.

In Ephesians 5, Paul is giving instructions for marriage to the church in Ephesus. He says, “Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it.” (Ephesians 5:25) The initial command was love, but that wasn’t all there was to it. Jesus Christ, our ultimate example, loved the church, but the love that He had prompted Him to also give to it; and giving requires work.



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Here are a few practical ways to work toward bettering your marriage:

INVOLVEMENT. So much of life is just showing up, being where you’re supposed to be, doing what you’re supposed to do. If you have a commitment, keep it; and prioritize to keep the most important people in your life actually involved in your life.

INVENTION. Try something new. Some couples do the same things each week. Try a new restaurant, and new activity, a new type of date night. Some spontaneity could do your marriage good. Don’t fall into the rut of always doing the same things together.

INVESTMENT. Some day I plan to retire. When I do, I want to make sure that I’m financially secure. So, I guess you could say that I’m investing today in order to have a better tomorrow. If you want your marriage to last to tomorrow, it will require an investment today.

The day you said, “I do,” nothing mattered more to you than having a great marriage. Now that you’ve been married for awhile, I trust you’ve realized it requires much more than love to make a marriage actually work!

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 **Website**
eastlandbaptist.org

 **Blog**
pastordorrell.com

 **Twitter**
twitter.com/EBCtulsa

SERVICE TIMES:

Sunday - classes for all ages @ 9:30am

worship service @ 10:30am

evening service @ 6pm

Wednesday - Bible study @ 7pm

New & Prospective Members Class Sunday, October 26 @ 6pm

This class is for anyone who has interest in learning more about Eastland Baptist Church.

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