

THE GREAT BIBLE EXPERIMENT

Help Us Help Your Church!

Does your church...

- Need a good jolt of grounded yet open Bible study?
- Realize how many people in your pews already have serious questions and even reservations about the Bible?
- Want to help spread the word that the Bible is a living document with something for everyone?
- Want to reach outside of your walls into the community?
- Want to prove that you are a place open to meeting people where they are and as they are?

Joining *The Great Bible Experiment* can help you achieve those goals.

Sometimes it is hard for those in church leadership to hear the difficulties and concerns people have with the Bible. Frequently it's hard for people in a church to voice those concerns to their leaders and those who aren't already in a church often never darken the door because of the misconceptions they have about what the sacred text of the Church is really all about.

The whole purpose of this event is to help facilitate that conversation. **Let us help you.**

All four events are free and open to the public. All details at massbible.org/experiment.

Four Ways Your Church Can Join Us

HOST A WATCH PARTY



The final event at Harvard Divinity School on Sept. 27 will be live streamed for those who cannot attend in person. Why not have a watch party at your church and invite the neighbors? Anyone on the live stream can submit questions to the panel via Twitter.

If you let us know you're doing this, we'll advertise you as a watch site and you'll be able to participate in the survey we are conducting at the live events. You will need to provide the tech, but we'll send full information and instructions for your group ahead of time.

RUN EXPLORING THE BIBLE IN OCTOBER



Many of you already know the power of our Bible studies to bring together people from all different faith backgrounds and even those with no faith at all to get a grounded Bible education in a fun and engaging way.

When people attend *The Great Bible Experiment*, either in person or online, many may want to know where they can go to learn more. One answer can be your church. The open, honest conversation they experience in the events is replicated in *Exploring the Bible: The Dickinson Series*.

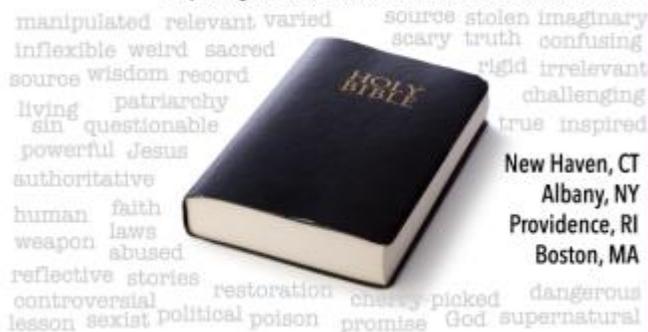
Will you start up the series this October, beginning with *What Is the Bible?* If so, we'll list you on our website and in the event program as a place people can go to learn more.

Check out massbible.org/WIB to see the details about that first study and to request a review copy.

HELP US ADVERTISE

The Great Bible Experiment

Exploring the Bible in America's Least Bible-Minded Cities



Engaging your questions, struggles,
and opinions about the Bible

Coming September 2016

PANELISTS:

Tom Krattenmaker

Yale Humanist Community, USA Today

Rev. Anne Robertson

Executive Director, Massachusetts Bible Society

Fr. Warren Savage

Catholic Chaplain, Westfield State and Amherst College

We would love to have you link to our video and massbible.org/experiment on your church website or Facebook page. We also have print posters and bulletin inserts that we are happy to send for your distribution. Let us know how many you want, and we'll get them right to you.

And if you live anywhere close to one of the event locations (New Haven, Albany, Providence, and Boston) why not get a group together to come?

PROGRAM ADS OR SPONSORSHIPS



What is an event without a program? And what is a program without ads from like-minded organizations and a list of people who want to go on record as supporting the cause?

Show your support by placing an ad or sponsorship in our program. The program will be the same in our four locations so you will get wide exposure. The event page on our website (massbible.org/experiment) has a link to the Media Kit which has the specs and costs for print ads as well as the levels of support available for those who want to list either their names or the name of their church.

The deadline for inclusion in the program is August 5, and the sooner we have the information the better.

For more information, or to sign up for any of the above, please contact us at admin@massbible.org or 617-969-9404. To register to attend or view other details, go to massbible.org/experiment.

We're having the conversation that many churches find difficult to have. We're doing it for love of both the Church and the Word of God. Won't you join in and help us reach as many people as possible?