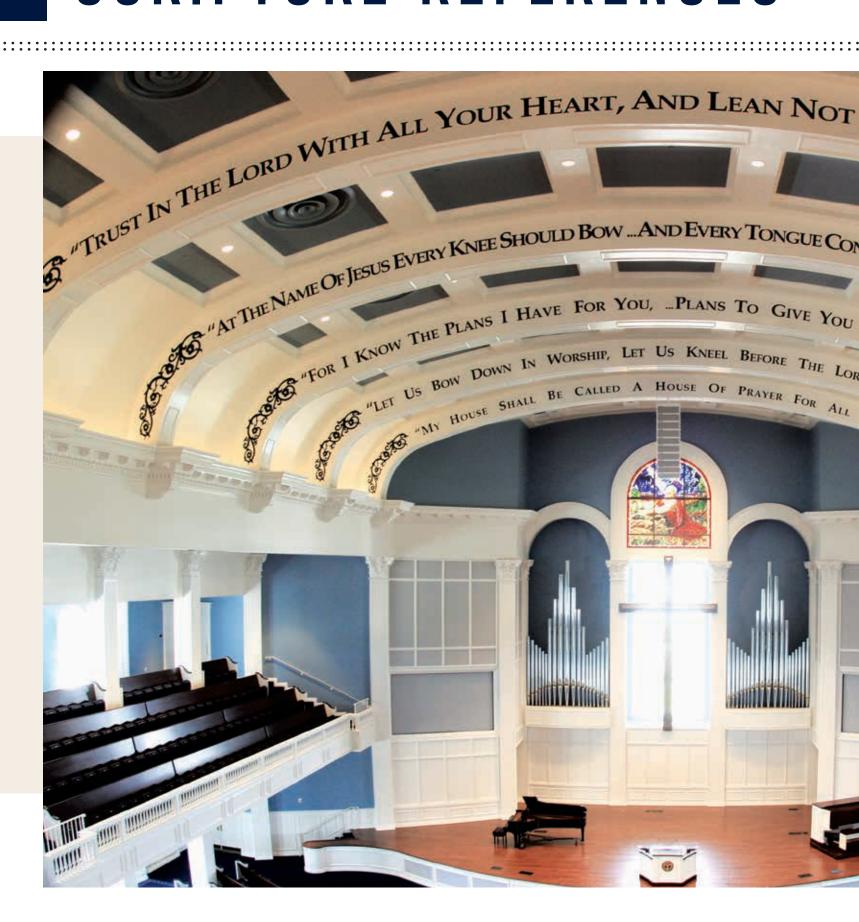
# SCRIPTURE REFERENCES





ne of the clearest ways in which the commands of the Shema are seen on the DBU campus is through the display of the Word of God throughout campus. Taking the command very literally, Biblical passages are on display on door frames, walls, gates, and cornerstones inside and outside of every building on campus.

DBU holds firm to the truths of God's revealed Word, and we want to remind our students daily of the hope and direction that can be found in the Bible. Among the many verses on display, a few are special in the life of the University.

In particular, the promise of God found in Jeremiah 29:11-13 serves as the theme verse for DBU and is seen in various places throughout campus, in publications that go out to the DBU family, and in promotional materials sent to potential students. Through these words, we try to encourage others to seek the Lord first with all decisions in their lives, especially for those making the decision on which college to choose and what career to pursue. Only through prayer and supplication will the Lord reveal His plans for our lives, plans to give us hope and a future, plans to allow us to share His glory to the nations.

Another main verse for the campus comes from Proverbs 3:5-6, as we are told, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." This verse is especially dear to the heart of Dr. Gary Cook, DBU president, and it is seen throughout the campus in order to remind students to trust in the will and wisdom of God rather than our own plans.

These are only two examples of the multitude of verses that are seen throughout the campus. Outside of music rooms, students are charged to "Sing for joy in the Lord." Inside classrooms, the words are displayed that those who wait on the Lord will "renew their strength." As athletes enter their locker rooms, they are met with the challenging words from Paul in Acts 20:24, reminding them that the ultimate goal in life is to finish the race Christ has set before them.

## OUR MISSION Statement

In 1993, the DBU faculty and Board of Trustees adopted a new mission statement for the school, one which emphasized the University's commitment to its Christian heritage as well as articulated the desired outcome of its students. Since that time, DBU classrooms have been infused with concepts of the integration of faith and learning and servant leadership, regardless of the subject matter. Business, chemistry, philosophy, music, and education courses, just to name a few, each stress the ways in which Christian conviction shapes an understanding of the subject and how this newfound understanding should in turn be used to serve others.

With this foundation, the University has dramatically expanded its programs and degrees, while also raising academic standards even higher. In addition, the University has continued to seek accreditation from a number of professional bodies to ensure DBU's high standing among other institutions of higher education. Now more than ever, DBU produces servant leaders ready to engage the world in whatever their vocational calling might be. Inspired by this commitment, the University even created a required class, Developing a Christian Mind, entirely devoted to teaching students about the integration of faith, not only into their learning, but into every area of life.



#### DALLAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT

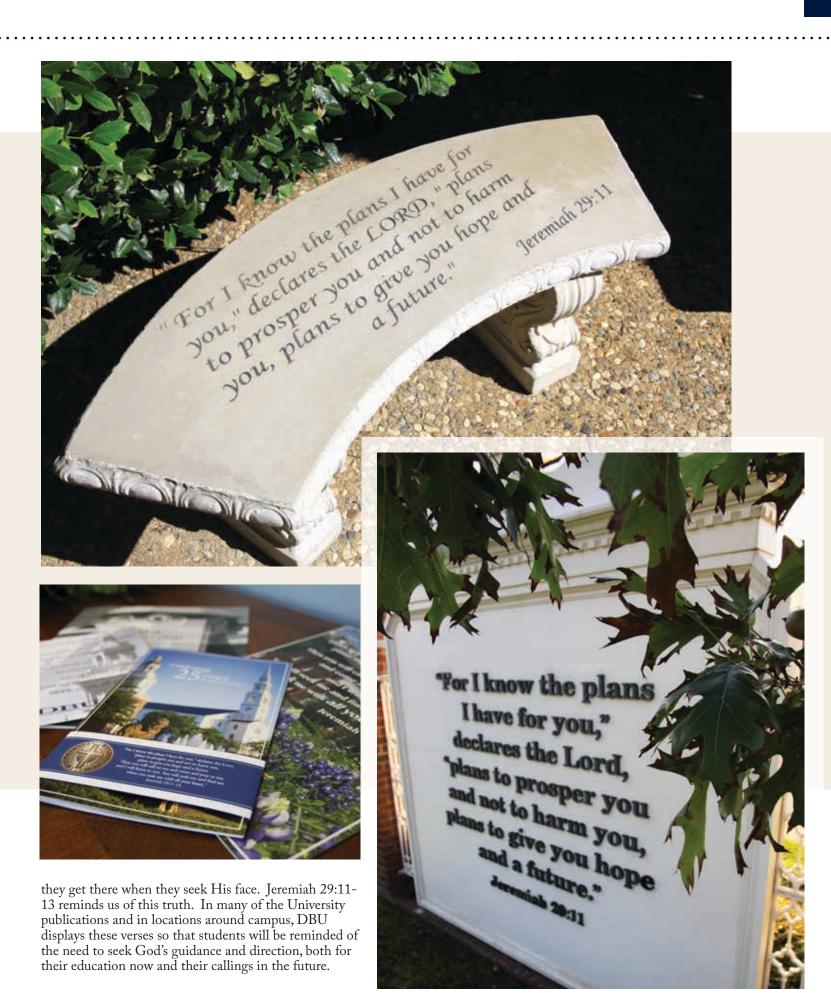
The purpose of Dallas Baptist University Is to provide Christ-centered quality higher education in the arts, sciences, and professional studies a both the undergraduate and graduate leve to traditional age and adult students in order to produce servant leaders who have the ability to integrate faith and learning through their respective callings.

## JEREMIAH 29:11-13

In 1989, DBU adopted Jeremiah 29:11-13 as the theme verses for the University. The verses were chosen for two reasons. The first had to do specifically with DBU. Given the school's financial struggles throughout the early stages of its existence, the verse provided hope that God indeed had plans—wonderful plans—for DBU, plans to prosper the school and allow it to become a center of Christian education for thousands around the world.

The second reason was to provide encouragement to students seeking their educational dreams at DBU. So many times, people take the leap of faith to begin college, not fully knowing what to expect or where they will wind up once they complete their degree. But God knows where they will be, and He will ensure that

#### "impress them on your children"



"write them on the doorframes of your house"

# SCRIPTURE ON CAMPUS

Throughout the campus, one is surrounded by the Word of God. There are framed images of Scripture along the walls of the classrooms and the hallways in the buildings. On the outside of buildings, there are plaques and cornerstones with Scripture references. Along the walkway, Scripture is seen. All are presented as reminders of the call to impress the Words of God on to the next generation and write them on the doorposts of the gates.



For we walk by faith, not by right

Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples. Psalm 96:3

"impress them on your children"

### **OUR CORNERSTONE**

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.

## Proverbs 3:5 - 6

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Built on the foundation of Jesus Christ as chief cornerstone

Psalm 118:22 AD 2013

#### OUR CORNERSTONE

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you to pe and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find seek me with all your heart."

"write them on the doorframes of your house"