



## GAP Meeting Friday August 11, the year of our Lord 2023

7:00am-8:00am

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Iron Men come together Friday mornings at 7:00am- 8:00am for a 15-30-minute teaching by a rotation of area pastors, followed by Q & A of our lesson, and our lives together with Jesus. Together we, open and close in prayer, recite the Pledge of Allegiance, and sing, God Bless America.

**Welcome to GAP Advanced Bible Study. We are glad you are here. At our study of God's word, we feature teaching/preaching from area pastors & testimonies from godly men. God has given believers spiritual gifts for the common good of the body of Christ. And teaching is an essential gift for Bible study leaders, who must be able to exhort and correct while holding firmly to the Word of God (Eph. 4:11-13) -that "whoever speaks is to do so as one who is speaking actual words of God" (1 Pet. 4:11).**

### VISION

**We are Godly Accountable Partners led by the Holy Spirit, devoted to the Word, growing in the grace of Jesus. Reaching out in love with compassion and in mercy.**

### MISSION

**GAP will train and teach true followers of Our Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. To disciple our brothers according to the Word of God and build the kingdom of God.**

GAP TEACHER: Alex Blagojevic SUBJECT: "Do You Know Why You Believe What You Believe"

We are told by our Lord Jesus that we are the salt and the light. What does that mean? Also, once we are the salt and light, we are called to be prepared to answer anyone who has questions about our hope. Do we know why we believe what we believe? Are we equipped to answer objections of our faith in our Savior and His Word?

*"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:13-16)*

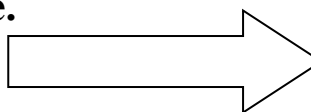
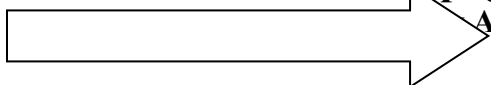
*"Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence" (1 Peter 3:15)*

*"We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ" (2 Corinthians 10:5)*

*"Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity. Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person" (Colossians 4:5-6)*

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*"And Stephen, full of grace and power, was performing great wonders and signs among the people. But some men from what was called the Synagogue of the Freedmen, including both Cyrenians and Alexandrians, and some from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and argued with Stephen. But they were unable to cope with the wisdom and the Spirit with which he was speaking" (Acts 6:8-10)*

*"And he was reasoning in the synagogue every Sabbath and trying to persuade Jews and Greeks" (Acts 18:4)*

*"Holding fast the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching, so that he will be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict" (Titus 1:9)*

*"He (Apollos) vigorously refuted his Jewish opponents in public debate, proving from the Scriptures that Jesus was the Messiah" (Acts 18:28)*

*"A man has joy in an apt answer, <sup>and</sup> how delightful is a timely word!" (Proverbs 15:23)*



Teacher, Alex Blagojevic

GAP Singers will perform this week at Seed To Table.

This Week's Song:

### **"Holy, Holy, Holy"**

Holy, holy, holy!  
Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning  
Our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, holy, holy!  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy!  
Though the darkness hide Thee  
Though the eye of sinful man  
Thy glory may not see  
Only Thou art holy  
There is none beside Thee  
Perfect in power, in love and purity

Holy, holy, holy!  
Lord God Almighty  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name  
In earth and sky and sea  
Holy, holy, holy!  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity

Oh God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity!



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Alex is the vice-president of Faith Thinkers. In addition to being active in local charitable events and his church, Alex is a fervent Christian evangelist and apologist. He teaches regularly on theology, finance/investing, and politics at churches, conferences, and universities (Florida Gulf Coast University, Florida Southwestern College, and Palm Beach Atlantic University). He has debated Karim al-Hanafi and several other Muslims in public debates in the U.S., Canada, and Europe.

Alex is also the regional director for Florida of Ratio Christi, a Christian organization on college campuses across the country, challenging students on college campuses to think critically about Christianity and other religions. His book, “25 Reasons I Believe in the Bible” was released in 2020.

Alex speaks fluent English, French, and Serbian. As an avid tennis player, Alex has a 4.5 USTA level. and on the Board of Directors for the Gulf Shore Opera. Alex lives in Fort Myers with his son Elias, and his wife, Elizabeth Lilly who is a professional harpist.

When I became a believer

First time I came to God is when First time I became a believer is when I went home to commit suicide. Then, through apologetics and I was finally “All In,” in May 2005; and I thank my Savior every day for saving me and sending me souls to reach out to.

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## with Alex Blagojevic

### My Favorite Scripture Verse †: **Philippians 2:3-4**

*“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others”*

Alex Blagojevic was born March 27th, 1972. His parents were born in the former Yugoslavia but decided to immigrate to France to escape communism. After being born and raised in Paris, at the age of 20, Alex came to the United States as a foreign exchange student thanks to an American Christian missionary to France when he was an atheist. In 2003, through a series of dramatic events, he gave his life to Jesus.

Alex holds a Bachelor of Science degree in finance from Florida State University and a master’s degree in theology from Biola University. For over 22 years, Alex has been working at Morgan Stanley in Fort Myers, where he is a Senior Vice President, Portfolio Managing Director, Certified Financial Planner,





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