



**October 3-4, 2017**

Camp Shamineau, Motley, MN

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**Special Invitation: Camp Shamineau**

Come to Camp Shamineau early or stay later and enjoy a FREE personal retreat.

Contact Camp Shamineau ([218-575-2240](tel:218-575-2240)) or [ardie@shamineau.org](mailto:ardie@shamineau.org)) to arrange your stay beyond the PTC dates.

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## Theme

### *Interpreting and Applying the Book of Acts*

*The Book of Acts*—probably a favorite of us all. We are rightly drawn to its vigor, its courage, its hope, its Christ-centeredness, its Holy Spirit power, its advance of the gospel, its heroes and anti-heroes. There are so many things to aspire to in this book, and so many perils to avoid. No wonder it's a frequent focus of our sermons, lessons, personal meditation, and strategic methods.

Yet do we know how to read *Acts* well? We tend to read portions of it with great care, extracting principles for this or that aspect of following Jesus. But do we read it as a whole? Do we understand its unfolding message from beginning to end? Do we read it in light of Luke's first volume, *The Gospel of Luke*? And what about our pick-and-choose method of applying *Acts*? We seem to be quick to use it to support such things as deacons, disciple-making, regional gospel influence, team ministry, and missions. But we are slow to use it to support choosing of leaders by lot, speaking in tongues, pooling of personal possessions, healing, and visions. On what basis do we choose? How can we know if we are applying *Acts* soundly?

These are some of the issues we will be considering at our Fall Teaching Conference. Doug Huffman, who has thought hard and written well on *Acts*, will be our teacher. If you've heard Doug teach, you know he combines careful study, clear communication, an earnest heart, and a love for Christ's church and mission. Whether you are a pastor, church staff member, elder, or ministry leader, we invite you to come be enriched personally and ministerially.

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## Speaker

### Douglas Huffman

Dr. Doug Huffman is professor and associate dean of biblical and theological studies at Biola University in La Mirada, CA. He is the author of books on New Testament Greek, an editor and writer for books on theology and Christian worldview, and contributor to several theological journals and reference works. He loves working with Biola undergraduate students, pointing them to Scripture as God's Word for us today.



For fun, he and his wife, Deb, enjoy film, travel, entertaining friends, and hiking. For the past several summers, Doug has been backpacking sections of the John Muir hiking trail in California's Sierra Mountains.

## Schedule

### Tuesday

11:00	Registration
Noon	Lunch
1:15	Session 1
4:00	Free Time
5:30	Dinner
6:45	Session 2

### Wednesday

8:00	Breakfast
9:30	Session 3
Noon	Lunch
1:30-3:30	Session 4

## Details

**Date:** **October 3-4, 2017**  
**Begins:** Tuesday noon  
**Ends:** Wednesday, 3:30 pm  
**Location:** Camp Shamineau  
Motley, MN  
**Cost:** \$85 per person  
\$75 if lodging off site

Cost includes programming, four meals and one night's lodging. Participants are responsible to bring bedding, towels, and toiletries. Dress is casual. Please be sure to designate roommate choices on the registration.

An alternative lodging option is at the **Timberlake Hotel** in Staples. Staples is 12 miles from Camp Shamineau, west on Hwy 210. Timberlake Hotel has beautifully furnished guest rooms with an adjoining restaurant. Rates \$99-109. Call Timberlake to make your reservations; [218-895-1300](tel:218-895-1300). [timberlakehotel.com](http://timberlakehotel.com). (1212 NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Staples, MN 56479)

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<https://signupforms.com/registrations/11237>

### Can Spouses Attend?

Yes! Please be aware that camp facilities and the conference theme are not designed to yield a "marriage enrichment" emphasis or a focus on ministry spouse concerns. With that expectation we encourage spouses to attend so ministry couples can focus together on conference themes. One logistical caution for your planning: couples' housing at camp is limited. Also, no child care is provided.