

# First Words

January 7, 2024

# Opt Out?

Matthew 9:35-38

**F260**  
BIBLE READING PLAN

THIS WEEK

■ Job 38-39

■ Genesis 15

Memory Verses:

■ Job 40-42

■ Genesis 16-17

• Hebrews 11:6

■ Genesis 11-12

• Hebrews 11:8-10

## WELCOME

Glad you're with us!

## SMALL GROUPS

Small groups meet Sundays at **8:00, 9:15 and 10:45am**. For help finding a Small Group, visit the Welcome Center, or contact [darrington@fbctrussville.org](mailto:darrington@fbctrussville.org).

## WORSHIP

• **9:15am** (Traditional) • **10:45am** (Contemporary)

## OTHER HELPFUL INFO

- **Restrooms** are conveniently located just outside the Worship Center.
- **Offering bins** are located at the exits as you leave the Worship Center.
- **Listening devices** are available by request; see an usher to inquire.
- **FBCT Library:** Open today, 8:00am-12:30pm. Also open Tuesday 9:00am-5:00pm, and Wednesday 4:00-7:30pm!
- Inquire or register for any FBCT event at the **Event Center**.
- **For assistance** please see an usher or visit the Welcome Center.

**PRAYER.** Let us pray for you. Share your prayer requests at [fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests](http://fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests), or using this QR code. >>>



A *Free Gift* For You!

### 1st Time Guests

Bring today's completed tear off to the Welcome Center, or visit [fbctrussville.org/next-steps](http://fbctrussville.org/next-steps) and let us know you were with us today!



## MISSIONS @FBCT

**WMU Project ~ This Wednesday, January 10 • D200**  
**10:30am** - Assembling "cold weather packs" for the homeless. All are welcome!

For information on these and other opportunities to serve in missions, scan the QR code below, or visit [fbctrussville.org/helper](http://fbctrussville.org/helper)



### Hope Inspired Ministries

Do you have a special testimony or work-related skill you'd like to share with our friends at Hope Inspired Ministries? Contact Lake King at: [lakek@fbctrussville.org](mailto:lakek@fbctrussville.org)

### CLCC Meal ~ Next Sunday, January 14

**5:00pm** - Providing/serving a meal to the residents at Changed Lives Christian Center. A great small group project!

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Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. Matthew 9:35 (NIV)

## See The \_\_\_\_\_

When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Matthew 9:36 (NIV)

But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8 (NIV)

## Realize The \_\_\_\_\_

When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Matthew 9:36 (NIV)

- Overcome By The \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- Going The Wrong \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- Can't Find \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

## Respond To The \_\_\_\_\_

Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few." Matthew 9:37 (NIV)

So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, He had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So He began teaching them many things. Mark 6:32-34 (NIV)

## Because Of \_\_\_\_\_

"The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. In hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.'" Luke 16:22-24 (NIV)

Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire. Revelation 20:14-15 (NIV)

Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field. Matthew 9:38 (NIV)



# Midweek @ First Baptist

## STARTING THIS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10TH!



**Dinner:** Served 4:30-6:00pm in the Gym  
 Adults: \$5, Kids: \$2, Immediate Family Max: \$20  
 • Fried Chicken (kids: chicken legs)

Midweek Info



## DISCIPLESHIP UNIVERSITY

6:00pm, following our Fellowship Meal

Classes to help you live with, like, and for Jesus!

- Financial Peace - Finances (E207) - Ben & Judy Haas
- Men's Bible Study (E206) - Jason McRae
- Find Your People - Ladies Bible Study (E205) - Amy Lachina
- You Are A Theologian - Theology (E202) - Jeff Gardner & Taylor Willis
- Love + Respect - Marriage (E203) - Mike & Nikki Benedict
- Essential Discipleship Preparation - Legacy Discipleship (E208) - James Long
- Psalm 119 - Worship & Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) - Buddy Champion & Alan Long



**And, worship & Bible study for all ages!**  
 Age-graded activities for preschoolers and kids will begin at 6:00pm, with MVMT Nite for students happening at 6:30pm in the Worship Center.



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This Weekend! January 12-14



**Nate Hilgencamp**, Teaching Pastor at Harris Creek Baptist in Waco, TX joins us, with worship led by PASSION worship leader **Sean Curran!** THE greatest weekend of the year in our Student Ministry! **Register:** [fbctrussville.org/events](https://fbctrussville.org/events)

**Today** (1/07)

### Softball Registration\*

Sign-up begins today - \$50 per person; games played on Tuesday nights, beginning March 12th.

**This Week** (1/8-13)

### Conservatory Lessons Begin

Monday, January 8 - To see what's offered or to register, please visit [fbctConservatory.org](https://fbctConservatory.org) today!

### Midweek

**Wednesday, January 10**

Fried Chicken is served in the Gym, 4:30-6:00pm.



**Then at 6:00pm**

a new semester of Discipleship University begins! Activities also resume for preschool and kids! MVMT Nite, a student worship service in the Worship Center at 6:30pm.



Midweek Info

**6:11 (Men)**

Thursday, January 11 • 6:11am • Gym  
 Our men's breakfast gathering gets underway for the new year! Come hungry, and bring a friend!

**JELLO (Preschool)**

Thursday, January 11 • 9:00 & 10:30am  
 For all preschoolers and their moms, in the Children's Worship Room (D203).

**Edible Education\*** (Wellness)

Thursday, January 11 • 11:30am • \$6  
 Kendall Jno-Finn joins us in the Fellowship Hall on developing a health & wellness plan for 2024.

**DNOW\*** (Students)

Friday-Sunday, January 12-14 • \$100  
 For all students, 6th-12th grade, with worship by Sean Curran, and teaching by Nate Hilgencamp!

## Coming Up

• **Starting Point\*** (Membership)

Sunday, January 21 • 5:00pm • FH

A great opportunity for anyone new to First Baptist or looking for a church home!



• **Seasoned Adult Luncheon**

Thursday, January 25 • 10:30am • Gym

Great food and fellowship with the Seasoned Adults! (\$7 per person)

• **FBCT Women's Conference\***

Friday-Saturday, January 26-27 • \$60

Whitney Capps of Proverbs 31 Ministries will lead us, considering God, His goodness...and what to do when it doesn't seem so good.

• **WEE Center Registration**

Wednesday, January 31 • 8:00am

For church members, for the 2024-2025 school year (in-person).

• **Baptism Sunday**

Sunday, February 4 • Noon

For anyone needing to take this important step in their faith!

\*Registration Required:  
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# On Today's Tear Off:



## Starting Point

Sunday, January 21 • 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall  
Please plan on me at the next Starting Point!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Total # attending with me: \_\_\_\_\_

Ages of children attending: \_\_\_\_\_

## Stephen Ministry

Help through difficult times from  
trained, caring ministers. Please contact me:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Please Pray For DNOW

We're expecting **700+** students at DNOW this weekend. We ask that you pray this week for this amazing time in worship and the Word, **but also** that you sign up for a specific time slot to pray in the hours leading up to the weekend. You'll find this prayer sign-up sheet behind the Welcome Center today!