

First Words

June 6, 2021

Parables

the gospel shared through storytelling

Today:
Bless Your Heart
Matthew 13:1-9

(The Parable of the Sower)

Welcome!

Glad you're with us!

Small Groups

Our small groups meet at 8:00, 9:15 & 10:45am. For help finding a small group, contact Minister of Education Jamie O'Dell at: jamieo@fbctrussville.org

Worship Today

9:15 (traditional) & 10:45am (contemporary) - Each service is available online through our livestream. For details visit: fbctrussville.org/live

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.
- Spacious **Overflow Viewing** is available in A200 (the high school room).
- **The FBCT Library** has thousands of resources for your enrichment; contact Connie Horsley about book delivery: connieh@fbctrussville.org
- Inquire or register for any FBCT event at the **Event Center**.
- **For further assistance** please see an usher or visit the Welcome Center.

Let us pray for you. Use today's tear off to request prayer, placing it in an offering bin as you leave.

1st Time Guests

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

A
Free Gift
For You!



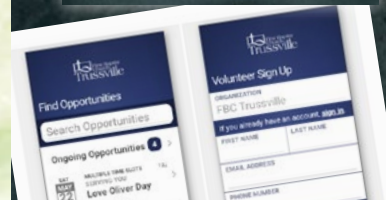
MISSIONS MADE EASY!

A new way to see what opportunities are coming up, and how you can get involved!

Visit fbctrussville.org/helper today!

- View upcoming missions opportunities!
- Let us know you'll be joining in!

Once you register for Helper Helper, you'll receive an email link to download the app. Then you can see Mission opportunities on your phone year round! **Questions?** jamieo@fbctrussville.org



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The disciples came to Him and asked, "Why do you speak to the people in parables?" He replied, "The knowledge of the secrets of the kingdom of Heaven has been given to you, but not to them." Matthew 13:10-11 (NIV)

Why?

1. Reveal _____ (3:11-12a)
2. Distinguish _____ (13:11b)
3. Fulfill _____ (13:13-15)

"Parable" –

"Parable" –

Sower

Then He told them many things in parables, saying: "A farmer went out to sow his seed." Matthew 13:3 (NIV)

Seed

"This is the meaning of the parable: The seed is the word of God." Luke 8:11 (NIV)

Soils

1. Cultivate An _____

"As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up." Matthew 13:4 (NIV)

"When anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is the seed sown along the path." Matthew 13:19 (NIV)

Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you. James 1:21 (NIV)

- Sinful _____
- Evil _____
- Personal _____

2. Be Dedicated To _____

"Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root." Matthew 13:5-6 (NIV)

"The one who received the seed that fell on rocky places is the man who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. But since he has no root, he lasts only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, he quickly falls away." Matthew 13:20-21 (NIV)

3. Eliminate _____

"Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants." Matthew 13:7 (NIV)

"The one who received the seed that fell among the thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke it, making it unfruitful." Matthew 13:22 (NIV)

- W _____
- R _____
- P _____ (Luke 8:14)

4. L _____ What I L _____

"Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown." Matthew 13:8 (NIV)

"But the one who received the seed that fell on good soil is the man who hears the word and understands it. He produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown." Matthew 13:23 (NIV)

"But the seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop." Luke 8:15 (NIV)

- H _____
- R _____
- L _____

INVESTIGATE

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It's Here!
VBS begins tomorrow!

Monday-Thursday
9:00am-Noon
For 4K-5th Grades!

Haven't registered yet?

No problem! Do so today at

fbctrussville.org/event

or just come early and register
in the Gathering Space tomorrow!

FBCT News

Today

Coffee Table

University &
Young Adults
7:00pm • A200

We'll hang out and talk about life's toughest questions through a Biblical lens. Coffee and snacks provided!

COFFEE TABLE



This Week (6/07-12)

Understanding Your Grief

Thursday, June 9 • 6:00pm • E205

A weekly, free support group for those dealing with loss. You're not alone! Come find help this Thursday.

Pickleball

Monday - 6:00-9:00pm

Friday - 11:00am-2:00pm

No reservations necessary! Everything you need is ready in the Gym!

Coming Up

Summer Conservatory Lessons

Going on now! • \$168

It's not too late to begin six-weeks of lessons in piano, voice, violin, guitar, and more!

Fine Arts Camp

June 14-17 • 8:30am-2:30pm • \$150

For completed 1st-5th graders!

Student Camp

June 15-19 • Ocoee Ridge Camp • \$350

THE summer event for our Student Ministry! For all students!

Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, June 16 • 1:00-6:00pm

A blood drive in the gym in honor of our very own hero, Avery Snuggs!

Princess Dance Camp

June 21-24 • 9:30am-Noon • \$100

July 19-22 • 9:30am-Noon • \$100

Two opportunities for girls ages 3-8 to learn to dance and see themselves as daughters of the King!

Upward Basketball Camp

June 22-24 • 8:30-11:30am • \$75

Fundamental instruction in the game and sportsmanship for upcoming 1st-2nd graders, led by AHSAA Coach of the Year, HTHS's Tonya Hunter!

Student Atlanta Braves Trip

Wednesday, June 30 • \$45

We'll watch the Braves take on the Mets in the ATL! (For 8th-12th grades.)

Middle School 205 Mission Trip

July 13-15 • \$75

This summer missions opportunity is for all 6th-8th graders as we partner with the Christian Service Mission in the Birmingham area!

Kids Day Camp

Friday, July 16 • 9am-3pm • \$25

A super-fun, action-packed day for your K thru 2nd graders!

Kids Camp

July 23-26 • Camp ToKnowHim

\$195 for 3rd-4th grades thru the 25th;
\$225 for 5th graders staying thru the 26th!

Numbers From Last Sunday

Sunday, May 30, 2021

Small Groups		1,201
Budget Receipts	\$	125,887
Budget Received YTD	\$	2,911,958

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SAVE THE DATE! SUNDAY, JULY 11
CELEBRATING 200 YEARS OF MINISTRY!

