

First Words
September 17, 2023



BACK to BASICS

FOUNDATIONS OF THE FAITH

Today:
WRONG ROADS
James 1:12-18

Teach me Your way, Lord, that I may rely
on Your faithfulness; give me an undivided
heart, that I may fear Your name.
Psalm 86:11 (NIV)

WELCOME!
Glad you're with us!

SMALL GROUPS

Sundays at 8:00, 9:15 & 10:45am.
For help finding a small group,
contact: 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:** **Today** 8:00am-12:30pm **Tuesday** 9:00am-5:00pm
Wednesday 4:00-7:30pm Stop in for our character scavenger hunt! >>
- 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. Go to fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests
or use today's tear off, and share you prayer requests with us today.

A
*Free
Gift*
For You!

1st Time Guests

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

Upcoming Service Opportunities

- MON
SEPT
18 Serving at the Jimmie Hale Mission
- FRI
SEPT
22 Meal served to Shades Valley Football
- THU
SEPT
28 Providing a meal to Changed Lives Christian Center
- SAT
SEPT
30 Sleep In Heavenly Peace Bed-Build Day



Going through difficulty?
Please let us help.

Contact:
stephenministry@fbctrussville.org

For details on these and other ways you can help, scan the QR code
at right, or visit: fbctrussville.org/help



WRONG ROADS BACK to BASICS

James 1:12-18
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Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love Him. James 1:12 (NIV)

Trials Are allowed by _____
Help us to _____

Temptations Are from _____
Causes us to _____

Descriptions T _____
I _____
S _____

HOW CAN I WIN OVER TEMPTATION?

1. Face the _____

When tempted, no one should say, "God is tempting me." For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He tempt anyone. James 1:13 (NIV)

2. Take _____ Responsibility

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3. Be _____

Don't be deceived, my dear brothers. James 1:16 (NIV)

HOW DOES TEMPTATION WORK?

Each one is tempted when, by his own evil desire, he is dragged away and enticed. Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death. James 1:14-15 (NIV)

- It begins with _____

"Each one is tempted when, by his own evil desire..."

- I then lose my _____

"dragged away" =

"enticed" =

Question:

Response:

- I choose to _____

"Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin..."

- I find myself _____ from _____

"...and sin, when full grown gives birth to death."

4. Practice the Principle of _____

Don't be deceived, my dear brothers. Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. James 1:16-17 (NIV)

5. Have a _____ with Christ

He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all He created. James 1:18 (NIV)

"Sin will take you _____ than you want to go, keep you
_____ than you want to stay,
and _____ you more than you want to pay."

VETERANS DAY



We are gathering photos of veterans to show in honor of Veteran's Day on Sunday, November 12. Please submit a photo of an immediate family member who is or has served in the military. Bring this photo to the church library or email it to connie@fbctrussville.org. (Photos of your loved one in uniform are preferred but not required.) Include their name, branch of military, years served, and relationship to church member. *Thank you!*

Sports Outreach Leadership Team

Come see what all the buzz is about!

Interest Meeting
Sunday, Oct. 15 • 5:30pm
In the Fellowship Hall

Dinner provided!

Upward & Student Basketball Sign-Up

Going on now at: fbctrussville.org/events **Cheerleading too!!!**

Midweek @ First Baptist

This Wednesday, September 20



Scan this code for class information and Midweek schedule.

Make Midweek part of your week!

Numbers From Last Sunday - September 10, 2023

Budget Receipts:	\$ 132,087	Small Groups:	1,567
Budget Received YTD:	\$ 5,469,570	Worship Services:	
NEXT YTD:	\$ 512,671	On Campus - 1,790	Online - 317
		→ Total: 2,107	

TODAY (9/17)

Big/Little Event* (Students)
 5:00pm • A200

A special mentoring event for high school girls (9th-12th)!

THIS WEEK (9/18-23)

Men's Community Bible Study

Monday, September 18 • 6:30pm

We'll be in E203 as we begin a study on the book of Ephesians.

Midweek @FBCT

Wednesday, September 20

Taco Salad

is served, 4:30-6:00pm (Gym).



At 6:00pm Discipleship University continues, with Bible study and activities for kids of all ages!

Also:



6:00pm - Middle School
 7:00pm - High School

On Magnolia Mall!

JELLO (Preschool)

Thursday, September 21 • D203

Weekly playdate at 9:00 or 10:30am for preschoolers and their moms!

NEXT SUNDAY (9/24)

Blake Kersey Returns!

Former FBCT Children's Minister **Dr. Blake Kersey** (now Pastor of FBC Decatur) will preach in our morning worship services!



COMING UP

- **SAM Luncheon*** (Seasoned Adults)
Thursday, September 28 • 10:30am
 A good time with great food and friends in the Gym (\$7).
- **Sleep In Heavenly Peace** (Missions)
Saturday, September 30 • 8:00am
 Building beds for those who need them; in our back parking lot.
- **Next Steps Lunch** (Students)
Sunday, October 1 • Noon
 A time for students who want to progress in their walk with Christ.
- **Flu Shots** (Wellness)
Sunday, October 1 • 8:00am-Noon
Wednesday, October 4 • 4-6pm
 Get your flu shot (\$25) given by Carroll Pharmacy, near the Gym lobby. Most insurances accepted!
- **Foundations 4 Hope 5K** (Missions)
Saturday, October 7 • 8:00am
 A race in downtown Trussville in benefit of this ministry we support. Register: foundations4hope.org
- **DNOW*** (Students)
January 12-14, 2024 • \$100
 Sign-up is still going strong, but it won't be complete without you! If you're a student, sign up today!

***Register: fbctrussville.org/events**

On Today's Tear Off:



Welcome Team

We're looking for happy, smiling faces to help welcome people to our campus! If that's you, let us know! We've been looking for you!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- Cart Drivers Coffee Bar
 Door Holders Welcome Desk
 Greeters/Ushers

Stephen Ministry

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

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

stephenministry@fbctrussville.org

Sports Outreach Leadership Team



Please plan on me on the Oct. 15!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Prayer Request _____

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