50+ Ministry +++

60+ Legacies Sunday Class

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All Saints Presbyterian Church Austin, TX

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Kingdom Parables Understanding & Applying

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Fall 2025

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50+60+ Schedule - 2025

Songs of Praise

Prayer & Scripture

"Kingdom Parables"

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November

• <u>Fri, 11/7</u> – **Chili Cook-Off** – 6-8 PM at All Saints. BYOB + Chili, Cornbread, &/or Cobbler. Prizes in each category. Register now!

December

- <u>Fri, Dec 5</u> <u>Christmas Party</u> 6:30-9:30 PM, at the home of Courtney & Doug Abernethy. BYOB + Appetizer or Dessert.
- <u>Fri, Dec 12</u> Cookies & Caroling 1:00 PM at Brookdale Gaines Ranch Assisted Living Center.

January

• Sat, Jan 24 - Annual Retreat - More info coming soon.







50+ CHILI COOKOFF

NOVEMBER 7, 2025



All Saints Presbyterian Church 6:00 – 8:00 PM REGISTER
NOW!

Sign up to BRING ...

CHILI CORNBREAD COBBLER !!!



Philippians 2:12-13

... work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

THE POWER OF THE CROSS Keith Getty & Stuart Townend





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Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day, Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then Nailed to a cross of wood.

(Chorus)

This, the power of the Cross: Christ became sin for us; Took the blame, bore the wrath— We stand forgiven at the Cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face, Bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

(Chorus)

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Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath Quakes as its Maker bows His head. Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life, "Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

(Chorus)

This, the pow'r of the Cross: Christ became sin for us; Took the blame, bore the wrath— We stand forgiven at the Cross.

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds, For through Your suffering I am free. Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live, Won through Your selfless love.

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(Chorus)

This, the pow'r of the Cross: Christ became sin for us; Took the blame, bore the wrath— We stand forgiven at the Cross.

(<u>Final Chorus</u>)

This, the Power of the Cross: Son of God—slain for us. What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the Cross. 50+60+ Schedule - 2025

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Hebrews 11:1,6

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen....
Without faith it is impossible to please God, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him.

(ESV)

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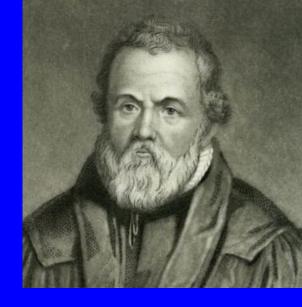
• <u>James 2:8</u>

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well.

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Thou Shalt Not Bear False Witness Against Thy Neighbour. Now dost thou, most gracious Lord, instruct me in this commandment, how I should use my tongue towards my neighbour, and behave myself concerning his name, forbidding me to bear false witness; in the which thou forbiddest me all kinds of slandering, lying, hypocrisy, and untruth. And why? Because, as "members of one body," thou wouldest we should "speak truth one to another," and be careful every one to cover others' infirmity, and with our tongue defend the names of others, even as we would that others should defend ours: so that in this commandment, as thou forbiddest me all kind of evil, perilous, calumnious and untrue speaking, so dost thou command to me all kind of godly, honest, and true report and talk. . . . O how great a good thing is this unto me! If we consider the hurt that cometh by untruth, and by words wherethrough many are deceived, easily may we see a wonderful benefit and care of thee for us in this commandment.

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Thou Shalt Not Covet. ... Here, O most gracious Lord God, thou givest me the last commandment of thy law who having taught me what outward actions I shall avoid, that I do not thereby offend or undo my neighbour, as murder, adultery, theft, and false witness, now thou teachest me a rule for my heart, to order that well, from the abundance whereof all our works and words proceed, that I shall not covet any thing that is my neighbour's. I know hereby that, if he have a fairer house than I, I may not wish for it; if he have a more beautiful wife than I, I may not desire her. ... I may not desire to take from him his ox, nor his ass, no, not his dog, no, not the meanest thing he hath in his possession. So that, in the other commandments as thou hast forbidden all injuries and evil practice against my neighbour, so now thou chargest me to beware of thinking any evil thought against him. ... The apostle said well, when he taught us, saying, "Cast all your care upon God, for he careth for you." It is true, I find it true: thus thou "carest for us," and wouldest have us to "care one for another."

Lesson Series

- 5/4–New Series: *Kingdom Parables*–Mt 6.25-33—Birds & Lilies
- 5/11 (Mother's Day) Guest Teacher: Daniel Pope
- 5/18 Kingdom Parables Mt 13.24-43—Wheat, Seed & Leaven
- 5/25 Memorial Day Weekend (No Class)
- 6/1 Kingdom Parables Mt 13.24-43-Wheat, Seed & Leaven 2
- 6/8 Kingdom Parables-Mt 13.44-50-Treasure, Pearl, & Net
- 6/15 (Craig away) Guest Teacher: Bo White
- 6/22 Kingdom Parables-Mt 18.23-35-Unforgiving Servant
- 6/29-Kingdom Parables-Mt 20.1-16-Workers in the Vineyard
- 7/6 8/10 Summer Break
- 8/17 Guest Teacher: Erin Holcomb
- 8/24 Guest Teacher: Bo White
- 8/31 Labor Day Weekend (No Class)

Lesson Series

- 9/7 Kingdom Parables Lk 14.15-24 Master Gives a Feast
- 9/14-Kingdom Parables-Lk 14 & Mt 22-Feast vs. Banquet
- 9/21 Guest Teacher: Bill Laughlin
- 9/28 Kingdom Parables–Mt 22.1-14–King's Wedding Banquet
- 10/5 Kingdom Parables Mt 25:1-13 Ten Virgins
- 10/12 No Class (Columbus Day Weekend)
- 10/19 Kingdom Parables-Mt 25:14-30-Talents (Man on Journey)
- 10/26 Kingdom Parables–Mt 25–Talents 2 & Lk 18:9-14
- 11/2 King's Parables Luke 16:1-13-Shrewd Steward
- 11/9 King's Parables Matt 11:16-19-Play Wedding & Funeral
- 11/16 Guest Teacher –
- 11/23 King's Parables Matt 13:1-23-Sower, Seeds, & Soils

Kingdom Parables

Kingdom of God

- = a realm, not like on earth
- = wherever God's light and royal will is reigning
- = includes the Church, but it's more



(Greek: parabole)

- = comparison ~ metaphor ~ picture ~ illustration
- = concrete depiction of a cosmic truth
- = a story with symbolic, spiritual meaning



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13:24 – ... a man who sowed good seed (Weeds & Wheat)
13:31 – ... a mustard seed ...
13:33 – ... leaven ...



13:44 – ... treasure hidden in a field ...
 13:45 – ... a merchant seeking fine pearls ...
 13:47 – ... a net ...



18:23-35 – ...king settling accounts (Unforgiving Servant)



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 - 20:1-16 -...a landowner...(Workers in the Vineyard)

- Luke 14:16-24 ... a master gives a feast ...
- Matt 22:1-14 ...a king giving a wedding banquet ...

Matt 25:1-13 – ... ten virgins ...

Mt 25:14-30-...a man going on a journey...(Talents)



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Questions & Illustrations

- B. Hunt □ *Jesus* film
- Ed Clowney

 Tim Keller
- Edward Kimball ... Wilbur Chapman ... Mordecai Ham ... AlbertMcMakin ☐ BillyGraham
- Widow of Mark 12 & Luke 21

Mt 25:14-30—a man on a Journey...entrusted to his servants his property. To one he gave 5 talents, to another 2, to another 1, to each according to his ability. ...he went away. He who received 5...traded and made 5 more....he who had 2 made 2 more. But he who received 1 dug in the ground and hid it....after a long time the master came and settled accounts....he who received 5 brought 5 more... he who received 2 brought 2 more....His master said, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'...

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 - Exodus 21:5-6—if the slave plainly says, '...I will not leave as a free man,' then his master shall bring him to God, then...his master shall pierce his ear with an awl; and he shall serve him permanently. [NASB]

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- Service to the Master—out of Love, Loyalty, Faithfulness seeks the Most & Best for Him because you are his Family
- The more He is blessed, the more you are blessed

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Questions

• Today: Admired vs. Disdained

Next Class – November 2, 2025

Prayer