

God's Plan for Salvation

God's Purpose: God loves us and wants a personal relationship with us. He wants us to enjoy both eternal life and an abundant life now. One day, He wants us to spend eternity with Him in heaven (John 3:16; 10:10).

Our Problem: We are all sinners by nature and by choice. Our sin separates us from God. Therefore, we deserve to spend eternity in a place called hell (Romans 3:23; 6:23).

God's Provision: Jesus is the only answer to our sin problem. He came to earth, died on the cross, and rose from the dead, paying the penalty for our sin and bridging the gap between God and sinners (1 Peter 3:18).

Our Part: God has provided everything necessary for our salvation. Our only part is to respond to His offer of salvation by repenting of our sin, placing our faith in Jesus alone for our salvation, and surrendering our lives to Him as Lord (Romans 10:9-10).

How to Receive God's Gift of Salvation

Admit we are sinners, repent of our sin, and ask for God's forgiveness.

Believe that Jesus died on the cross, rose from the dead, and trust in Him alone for our salvation.

Confess publicly that Jesus is Lord and surrender our lives to Him.

How to Become a Member of First Baptist Church

Any member of the church staff would be glad to talk with you about church membership. Any person desiring church membership should come forward during the response time of any worship service. Our church receives new members in the following ways:

- 1. Upon profession of faith in Jesus and baptism by immersion.*
- 2. Upon transfer of membership from another Baptist church.*
- 3. Upon statement of prior conversion and baptism by immersion.*

In addition, all new members are required to complete a membership class before they will officially become members of this church.



UPCOMING EVENTS

8/2/2026

Fellowship Meal

Immediately following the morning service, there will be a church-wide fellowship meal in honor of Angela James in Orr Hall.

August LLL Meeting

Monday, August 17
11 a.m. • Orr Hall

Program:

Lynn Willis

Meteorology: Tornadoes & More

Fall Kickoff Events

The Fall Kickoff for Wednesday night activities will take place on Wednesday, August 5. Adult Equipping Center previews will be held at 5:45 p.m. in Orr Hall. The children's choirs kickoff will be at the Eiffel Tower Splash Pad at 6 p.m., while the youth will hold their kickoff event at the Eiffel Tower Park Pool at 6 o'clock.

Marriage Conference

September 11-12 • FBC Paris
Guest Speaker: Dr. Robert Jones
Sponsored by the Paris
Biblical Counseling Center

*The cost is \$25
per person.
Use the QR
code to register.



more events ...

- **August 9** - Resound Youth Choir Resumes @ 4 p.m.
- **August 20** - Biblical Counseling Team Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.
- **August 23** - Time of Prayer @ 5 p.m. in Orr Hall
- **August 29** - Bridal Shower for Sidney Tasker @ 1 p.m. in the CLC

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"Our mission is to lead people to faith and growth in Christ."

Faithful

Matthew 25:14-30 • Dr. Trent Bullock

SERMON NOTES

I. The _____ of the Parable

- A. Talents were _____. (14-15)
- B. Talents were _____. (16-18)
- C. Two servants were _____. (19-23)
- D. One servant was _____. (24-30)

II. The _____ from the Parable

- A. God is the _____ of all things, and we are His _____.
- B. We do not _____ the same _____ of resources.
- C. We will give an _____ for what God _____ to us.
- D. The _____ of our God-given resources is a measure our spiritual _____.

III. The _____ of the Parable

1. Are you investing your _____ in worship and service to the Lord?
2. Are you investing your _____, _____, _____, and _____ in service to the Lord?
3. Are you investing your _____ resources and _____ in service to the Lord?
4. Are you committed to loving the Lord with all your _____, _____, and _____?

Conclusion:

TAKE AWAY

