

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

SERMON AT A GLANCE

In 1 Corinthians 15, Paul uses the picture of a seed to show that the resurrection is not just about future glory, but about transformation. Because of the resurrection, believers are no longer defined by their old identity but are being reshaped into something new, called to live differently right now in light of what God is making them to be.

EVANGELISM CHALLENGE THIS WEEK

Hand out one gospel invitation this week

EVANGELISM PRAYER PROMPT

"Help me love them well, whether they respond or not."

ICE BREAKER

What's one thing you hope your child or a child watching you learns from you?

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Is there a bad habit or unhelpful habit that you've "kicked"? If so, what was it?



Our theme for 2026 is Launch and it's a focus on evangelism. Has the theme helped you focus on evangelism?

- 1 Why do you think it's easy to think about the resurrection as something for the future instead of something that affects our lives right now?
- 2 What part of the message stood out to you most, and why?
- 3 Read 1 Corinthians 15:36–38 and John 12:24. What truths are these verses trying to convey? What do you notice about the comparison between a seed and new life?
- 4 What do you think it looks like to actually live like someone who has been made new?
- 5 Read 1 Corinthians 15:42–44. What differences do you see between what is "sown" and what is "raised"?
- 6 Read 1 Corinthians 15:45–49 and 2 Corinthians 5:17. What do these verses teach us about who we were before Christ and who we are now?
- 7 What tends to pull people back into old ways of thinking or living, even after they've trusted Christ?
- 8 Where do you see "old patterns" still showing up in your life?
- 9 If someone watched your life this week, where would they most clearly see evidence of "new life"? Where might they not?
- 10 What is one small change you can make this week to live more like the person God is making you to be?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Starting Point Class - Sunday, April 26, 9am

This is the starting point for everything we do at Desert Hills. Whether you are a new believer, looking for deeper connection, or simply want to know more about our church's mission.

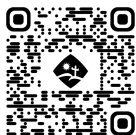
Child dedication - Sunday, May 10

This dedication ceremony is for children ages 0-5. This momentous occasion will take place on Mother's Day.

Men's Night | Friday, May 22, 6:30–8:30pm

Men, mark your calendars for a night you won't want to miss! Join us for an incredible evening packed with good food, fun, games, prizes, and a powerful challenge to step into the man God created you to be.

PLEASE DONATE TO SMALL GROUPS CHILDCARE



Every week Desert Hills Baptist Church pays for childcare for many of our small groups.

Your gift helps provide childcare so parents can engage in small group.

When you donate, please let us in know it's for childcare--you can specify in the notes section.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Steve & Sherry De Ford — Independent Baptist Indian Missions, Inc.

For more than 17 years, Steve and Sherry De Ford have faithfully served the tribal community in Peach Springs, Arizona. As they reflect on their ministry, they stand in awe of all that God has done in the lives of Native Americans through the work of Hualapai Baptist Church. They are especially grateful for the generosity shown by God's people during the past holiday season, which was both encouraging and deeply appreciated.

In December, the local police department recognized Steve and Sherry for their volunteer service with plaques of gratitude. Steve has served as chaplain of the department for the past three years, with Sherry faithfully supporting him in this role. In addition, Sherry planned and directed the church's Christmas program, helping make the season especially meaningful for their congregation.

In January, Sherry flew home to Ohio to be with her dad and was able to read scripture and sing as he took his last breath and entered Glory.

Recently, both Steve and Sherry celebrated their 60th birthdays. Their children surprised them with a cruise to Cabo, for which they were deeply thankful. The time away provided a special opportunity to rest and enjoy being together.

If you'd like to connect with the De Fords, you can reach them at deford88@gmail.com or find them on Facebook at Steve Sherry DeFord.