

And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" "And He said to him, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, And with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the great and foremost commandment. The second is like it. 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these commandments depend The whole Law and the Prophets." THE GREAT COMMANDMENT Matthew 22:36-40

And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saving. "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go, therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them In the name of the Father and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; And lo, I am with you always, even to The end of the age." THE GREAT COMMISSION Matthew 28:18-20

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- Acknowledge your visit with us (physical or virtual) OR
- Contact us with prayer requests, questions, concerns, needs OR
- Request visitation prayer at your specific location (in your home, at the hospital, or nursing facility, etc.)

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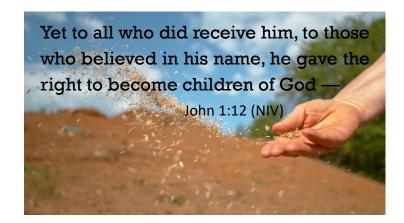
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Sunday Service beginning at 9:30 AM

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Sunday Service — July 17, 2022

ORDER OF SUNDAY SERVICE

Special video opens the service

Old Testament Reading, <u>Isaiah 6:9-13</u>

Worship

Offering

Announcements of upcoming events

Pastoral prayer for the children before Sunday School classes.

The Nursery is available for infants at any time.

New Testament Reading, John 1:10-12

"On Being Good Soil," Matthew 13:1-23, by Dr. Brian Russell, Professor of Biblical Studies, Asbury Seminary

The Lord's Supper is offered, along with prayer ministry while worship continues.

Benediction & Closing Prayer

This Sunday Morning:

Children's Church: Pre-school—1st grade class and 2nd—6th grade class.

This Sunday Evening:

Young Adult Summer Small Group, meeting at, **6:00 PM**, at Nathan and Heather Eley's home.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

07/19: Tuesday:

Memoirs Group, led by Barbara Murgatroyd, at **4:00 PM** in the church sanctuary every Tuesday. Text Barbara at (321) 355-9705 for more information or just join us.

Girls Night Out, at **6:15 PM**, at Beef 'O" Brady's, 2400 Dairy Ro., W. Melbourne, FL 32904. Please RSVP to Suzee Louche at (321) 432-6214 or slouche@cfl.rr.com.

07/21: Thursday Afternoon:

Bible Art Journaling Group will be meeting in the church sanctuary, the morning group from 11:00 AM—1:00 PM, and the afternoon group meets from 2:30 PM—4:00 PM. For more information text Barbara Murgatroyd, (321) 355-9705 or just join us.

Women's Prayer Group, meeting at **1:30 PM—3:30 PM**, For weekly meeting location, please contact the leads, Jenny Reed or Laurie Wilson.

07/23: Saturday Morning:

Saturday Morning Prayer Group, for ladies is open for new participants.. The group meets by Zoom @ **8:00 AM**, for an hour to worship and pray, and to take time with the Lord and each other. Contact leader Cindy Coleman: vampirewoman16@vahoo.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

07/24: Sunday Morning: Sunday Service at 9:30 AM

Sunday Service at **9:30 AM.** For Sunday's Sermon, continue reading ahead the book of **Matthew 13:24-52**.

08/10: Wednesday Evening



SALT, Students Actively Living Truth, youth group, from 6:00 PM—7:30 PM for girls and boys grades 7-12. The July 13th meeting was at Andretti Park. The upcoming August 10th meeting will be at Escape Room. The group is led by Davis and Denice Hemenway (303) 961-0010 or davis.hemenway@gmail.com.

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Prayer Requests or Questions for the Pastoral Team?

If you have questions or a prayer request, write in the space below and

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Sermon Notes: "On Being Good Soil," <u>Matthew 13:1-23</u>, by Dr. Brian Russell, Professor of Biblical

Studies, Asbury Seminary.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6:9-13
New Testament Reading: John 1:10-12

What we will learned last week: (Matthew 12:38-50)

- The problem of unbelief, in this passage, that of the Jewish leadership
- They ask for a sign, but it will not be what they expect.
- The danger of purposeless deliverance
- The Kingdom is bigger than our families and demands our highest allegiance.

What we will learn this week: (Matthew 13:1-23)

- What might we learn about the Sower, the seed, the soil, and the plant?
- Why does Jesus speak in parables to all but the disciples?
- What are conditions of the soil that leads to unfruitfulness or fruitfulness of the plant?
- What is it that grows from good soil and what does it produce?

What agricultural metaphor does Jesus use for this teaching? (Mathew 13:1-8)

He ends this parable with a saying "Whoever has ears, let them hear." (Matthew 13:9) What does Jesus mean by this saying? (See also, e.g., Revelation 2:11,17, 29)

To whom is Jesus speaking at that place and time? (Matthew 13:10)

To whom does Jesus provide an explanation? (Matthew 13:11-12)

Why did Jesus speak in parables? (Matthew 13:13-15)

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Who from times before would have been eager to hear what Jesus was saying? (<u>Matthew</u> 13:16-17)

Were the leaders and the crowds of people ready to receive Jesus and what he had to say? (John 1:10-12; Matthew 11-12)

What three things, not just two, do we need to do to receive the blessings of the Gospel of Jesus Christ? (Matthew 13:15c)

Jesus then provides an explanation of the parable to the disciples. In what manner does the Sower spread the seed?

Match the items in the left hand column with $my_{(TAG)}$ interpretation on the right?

Sower
 Seed
 Soil
 New life in the Spirit of God
 Heart or soul of a person
 Gospel of Jesus Christ

4. Plant D) Jesus/Proclaimer of the Gospel

What is the specific quality of the soil along the path that is unable to provide a place for the seed to grow into a new plant? And what happens to the seed? (Matthew 13:19)

What is the condition of the rocky soil that makes the plant unable to grow and mature through difficulties? (Matthew 13:20-21)

What is in the soil among the seed that chokes out the maturing plant to cause it not to produce seed itself? (Matthew 13:22)

What is the conditions of the good soil when it hears the Word and, consequently allows the plant to produce much new seed ? (Matthew 13:23)

Additional Notes:

Internet Resources: The Bible Project: Matthew 1-13; Matthew Overview Poster