

# WELCOME

Our mission is to glorify God by helping people know, love, obey and exalt Jesus Christ.

# MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, April 9, 2017 • 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

## FBC is one church meeting in two locations, Decatur and Madison.

The sermon is delivered live at the Decatur Campus at 9:15 in the main auditorium every Sunday morning. At the 10:45 services, the sermon is delivered either live or via video at both the Decatur and Madison Campus depending on the Sunday. Either way, the message is from God's Word for God's people on that Lord's Day at First Bible Church!

We exist to glorify God together. Our core values are to *teach and defend the Word/Truth and to fulfill the Great Commission*. Our aspirational values are to *model compassion, pursue authentic serving relationships, foster generational evangelism, develop redemptive relationships and be a praying people*.

## If you are visiting with us...

We are glad that you chose to worship with us. Please take a moment to complete a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate. **Please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering.** Giving is an act of worship for those who consider First Bible their church home. As our guest, we want you to focus on what God has for you this morning. Our desire is to encourage you in a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

## What's Next...

First Bible Church is joyfully committed to a three stage approach to making disciples of Jesus. This will require a commitment on your part. That is, if you truly desire to follow Jesus Christ, there are three specific and time-tested things that you can begin today.



**GATHER:** *Show up on Sunday morning.* Every Sunday morning, we gather in corporate worship for God-glorifying praise and singing, expository preaching, reading of Scripture, prayer, and frequent celebration of baptism and the Lord's Supper. For the follower of Jesus, public worship on the Lord's Day is a priority.



**GROW:** *Grow up in a community group.* Active participation in a community group ensures that you are prayed for, supported, encouraged, held accountable, equipped in your Christian life, and missed when you're not there! In these groups, there is more freedom to voice doubt, confess sin, express grief, and ask the hard questions in a safe environment. Here, facades fade and genuine friendships flourish.



**GO:** *Step up and serve.* When you go, you take what you've been given and share it with others. Just as more mature disciples helped you get to this place, you are now ready to help others. In the end, this ministry of multiplication bears much fruit as disciples make disciples who make disciples.

## Contact Us

If you want to know more about following Jesus, we encourage you to talk to one of our pastors. For more information call (256) 353-2711.

For announcements and events visit [FBC.org](http://FBC.org)  
Announcements sheets are also available in the main lobbies.

Call to Worship

"Sing to the King"

Welcome

Sanctuary Service: Bruce Ellsworth, Worship Pastor  
Field House Service: Lew Sample, Elder  
Madison Campus: Jeff Hodge, Worship Leader

Songs of Worship

"Hosanna (Praise is Rising)"  
"Good Good Father"

Scripture Reading & Prayer

Ephesians 5:18b-21  
9:15 Service: Paul Cheshier, Outreach Pastor  
10:45 Service: Matthew Dubach, Decatur Student Ministry Director  
Field House: Jess Montegudo, Associate Pastor  
Madison: Alexander Roberts, Campus Pastor

Worship Through Giving

"Center My Life"  
"Holy Holy Holy Lord God Almighty"

Message

"Therefore, Be Filled With the Holy Spirit!"  
Steve Bateman, Senior Pastor

Songs of Response

"Spirit of the Living God"  
"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

# SERMON NOTES

“Therefore:” The Logical Lifestyle of a Hopeful Minority  
“**Therefore, Be Filled With the Holy Spirit!**”

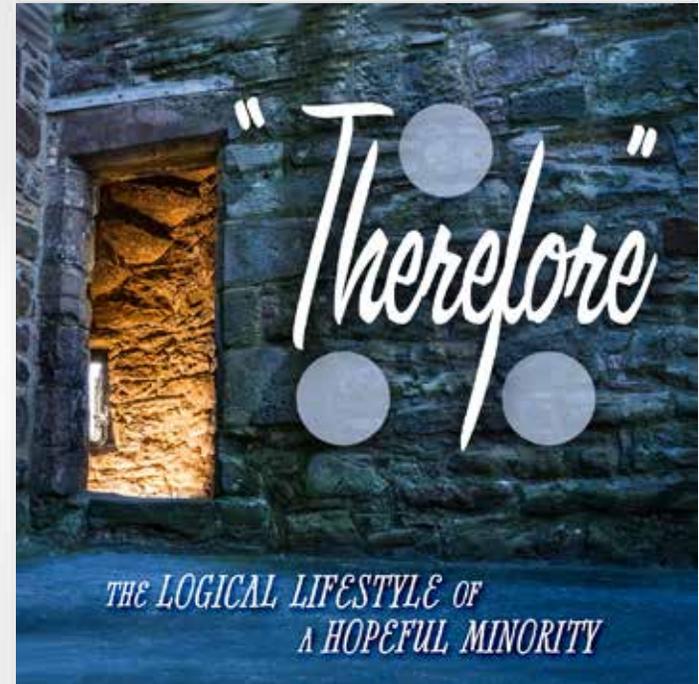
Ephesians 5:18–21  
Page 978 in the Church Bible  
The Lord’s Day Morning  
Palm Sunday - April 9, 2017

On this Palm Sunday, it is important to remember that in Ephesians 1–3, Paul teaches us all that Christ accomplished in that first Holy Week when he died on the cross. From the cross, Jesus cried out, “It is finished!” What was finished? His work of our “redemption through his blood,” (Eph. 1:7). God saves us by his grace alone, through faith alone, and not at all as a result of our good works (Eph. 2:8,9). Consider the words of Bill Hybels:

“Religion is spelled ‘D-O’, because it consists of the things people do to try to somehow gain God’s forgiveness and favor. But the problem is that you never know when you’ve done enough. But thankfully, Christianity is spelled differently. It’s spelled ‘D-O-N-E’, which means that what we could never do for ourselves, Christ has already done for us. To become a real Christian is to humbly receive God’s gift of forgiveness and to commit to following His leadership.”

So now the logical response (“therefore”) to what God has done for us in chapters 1–3 is set forth by Paul in chapters 4–6. Among these responses is the command to be filled with the Holy Spirit. But how do we do this? What must we do to be filled with the Holy Spirit?

1. \_\_\_\_\_: Joyfully sing the Holy Spirit’s words about what God has \_\_\_\_\_!  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_: Gratefully acknowledge to God what he has \_\_\_\_\_!  
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3. \_\_\_\_\_: Humbly follow Jesus’ example who yielded to God-ordained authority to get his work \_\_\_\_\_!



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