

WELCOME

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

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
Announcements sheets are also available in the main lobbies.

MORNING WORSHIP

July 9, 2017 • 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Welcome

Decatur: Steve Bateman, Senior Pastor
Madison: Jeff Hodge, Worship Leader

Ghana Mission Team Commissioning (10:45 Sanctuary Service)

Songs of Worship

"Build Your Kingdom Here"
"Holy Holy Holy (Jesus Reigns)"
"Forever Reign"

Scripture Reading & Prayer

Matthew 7:12-20

9:15 Sanctuary Service: Matthew Dubach, Decatur Director of Student Ministry

10:45 Sanctuary Service: Jeremy Gilbert, Decatur Director of Student Ministry

Madison Service: Jared Pittman, Madison Director of Student Ministry

Worship Through Giving

"Grace Alone"
"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

Message

"Therefore, Do the Right Thing Every Time!"
Steve Bateman

Song of Response

"O Church Arise (Arise Shine)"

SERMON NOTES

“Therefore:” The Logical Lifestyle of a Hopeful Minority
“Therefore, Do the Right Thing Every Time”
 Ephesians 6:13–14, Page 979 in the Church Bible
 The Lord’s Day Morning, July 9, 2017

¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth and having put on **the breastplate of righteousness...**—Ephesians 6:13,14

Q1: How do I know the right thing to do?

A1: The Bible tells us the truth about the _____ to do.

A Guide for Parents on the Ten Commandments

Commanded in Exodus 20	Confirmed in Ephesians
1. No other gods (3)	1:3,13: There is one true God in three persons!
2. No worship of a carved-image (4)	2:12: They had Artemis but not God!
3. No vain use of God’s name (7)	1:21: His name is special and above every name!
4. Remember Sabbath day (8-11)	1:20-23: Gather (church means “assembly”) on Sunday to worship the risen Jesus (Mt.28:1; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor.16:2; Heb.10:24,25; Rev. 1:10) [Sabbath command not repeated in NT]
5. Honor father and mother (12)	6:1,2: Children, obey your parents to please Jesus!
6. No murder (13)	4:26,27: Control anger that leads to hurting others (Gn.4:6-8; Mt. 5:21,22)
7. No adultery (14)	5:3; 22-33: Respect the gift of marriage.
8. No stealing (15)	4:28: Stop stealing, get a job, and share with others!
9. No lying (16)	4:15,25: Before you speak, Is it true? Is it loving?
10. No coveting (17)	5:5: Stop complaining and be thankful!

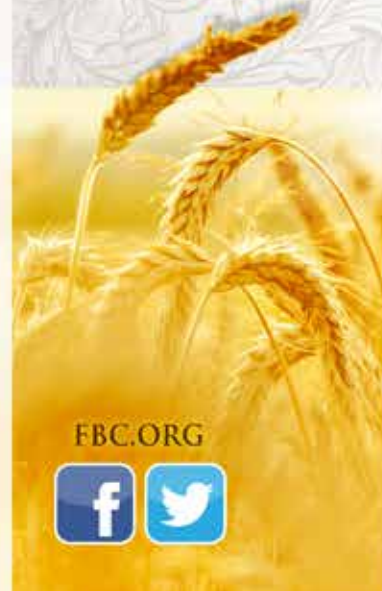
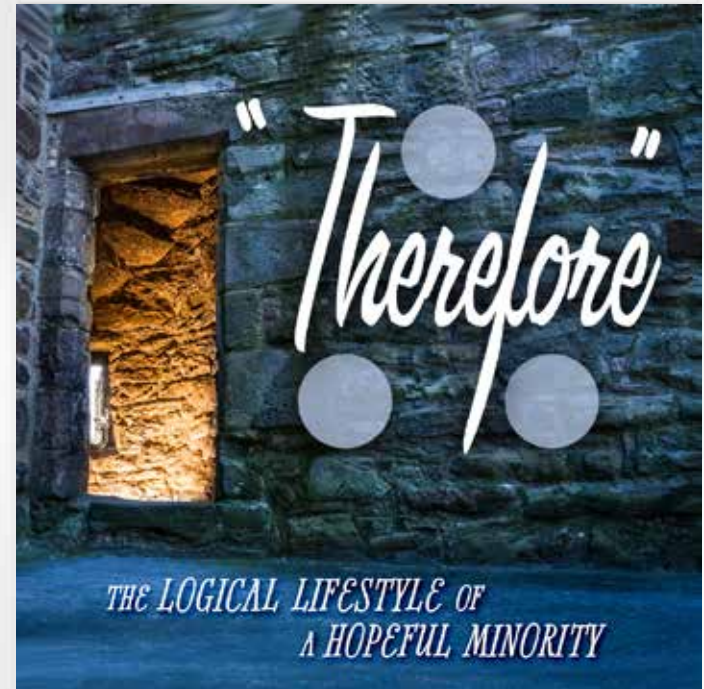
Q2: How does doing the right thing protect us like a piece of armor?

A2: Doing the _____ protects us in at least three ways:

1. It protects us from the _____ of our heavenly Father.
2. It protects us from the _____ of the devil.
3. It protects us from the _____ of people.

Q3: Does God love me because I do the right thing?

A3: No. We are not _____ because we do the right thing—We do the right thing because we are _____!



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