

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. Either way, the message is from God's Word for God's people on that Lord's Day at First Bible Church!

If you are visiting with us...

We are glad that you chose to worship with us. **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?

Discover FBC is the next step for anyone interested in learning more about First Bible Church. This four-week class (Sundays) will help you better understand the beliefs, philosophy, and direction of our church. The next Discover is scheduled for October 28, November 4, 11, 18. For more information, contact us at discover@fbc.org.

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.* Every Sunday, 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.



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! For more information on getting connected to a community group, contact grow@fbc.org.



GO: *Step up and serve.* 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. For more information about serving in ministry, contact go@fbc.org.

Financial Update as of October 14, 2018

YTD Budget Need: \$2,606,657
YTD Contributions: \$2,487,715
Variance =/(-): (\$118,942)

MORNING WORSHIP

October 21, 2018 • 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

"Our God"

Call to Worship

"The Lion and the Lamb"

"God and God Alone"

Scripture Reading & Prayer

Isaiah 44:6-8

9:15 Service: Paul Cheshier, Outreach Pastor

10:45 Service: Matthew Dubach, Pastor to Students

Field House Service : Jess Montegudo, Associate Pastor

Madison Service: Alexander Roberts, Campus Pastor

Worship through Giving

"You Alone Can Rescue"

Song of Worship

"Jesus Only Jesus"

Message

"God First, God Alone"

Steve Bateman, Senior Pastor

Song of Response

"Rock of Ages"

Benediction

2 Thessalonians 3:16

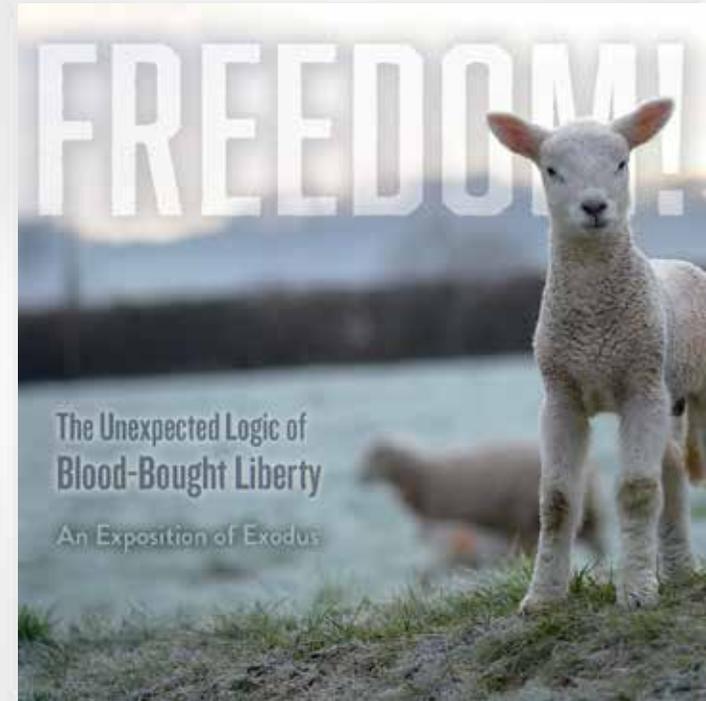
SERMON NOTES

Freedom: The Unexpected Logic of Blood-Bought Liberty
“God First, God Alone”

Exodus 19:1-20:3 ♦ Page 59 in the Church Bible
The Lord’s Day Morning
October 21, 2018

The first commandment does not affirm the existence of other deities. There is only one true and living God (1 Cor. 8:4–6). Rather it affirms that we are prone to grant god-like status to the gifts of God and thereby neglect the Giver. When we worship the creature rather than the Creator, we dishonor God, damage ourselves and hurt the people around us (Ro. 1:25). Because we seek from these things what only God can give, these “gods” will always disappoint us.

1. _____ gods: Believing man-made religions that lie about the only true and living God.
2. _____ gods: Longing to please people more than we want to please God.
3. _____ gods: Trusting money and what it buys more than we trust God.
4. _____ gods: Loving our country more than we love God.
5. _____ gods: Wanting fame and praise for ourselves more than we want it for God.
6. _____ gods: Satisfying our appetites by crossing the boundaries of God.



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