

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 April 28, May 5, 12, 19.

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.

Announcement sheets are available at the HUB in the lobby of both campuses and also posted on fbc.org.

MORNING WORSHIP

April 7, 2019 • 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

Baptism Video (Decatur, 1st Hour; Madison)

Call to Worship

“Death Was Arrested”

Song of Worship

“This I Believe”

Scripture Reading & Prayer

Acts 17:16-21

Sanctuary Services: Jess Montegudo, Associate Pastor

Field House Service: Matthew Dubach, Student Ministry Pastor

Madison Service: Alexander Roberts, Campus Pastor

Special Music

“One True God”

Affirmation of Faith

“The Apostles’ Creed”

Message

“Because Christ is Raised, We Will Prepare for Judgment”
Steve Bateman, Senior Pastor

Song of Response

“Before the Throne of God Above”

Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.” 2 Corinthians 13:14

SERMON NOTES

Because Christ is Raised: How the Resurrection Changes Everything
“Because Christ is Raised, We Will Prepare for Judgment”

Acts 17:16-34

Page 926 in the Church Bible
The Lord’s Day Morning–April 7, 2019

Inquirer: Why do you believe what you believe and do what you do?

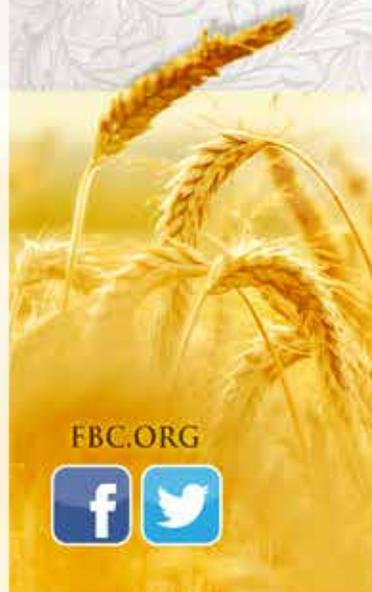
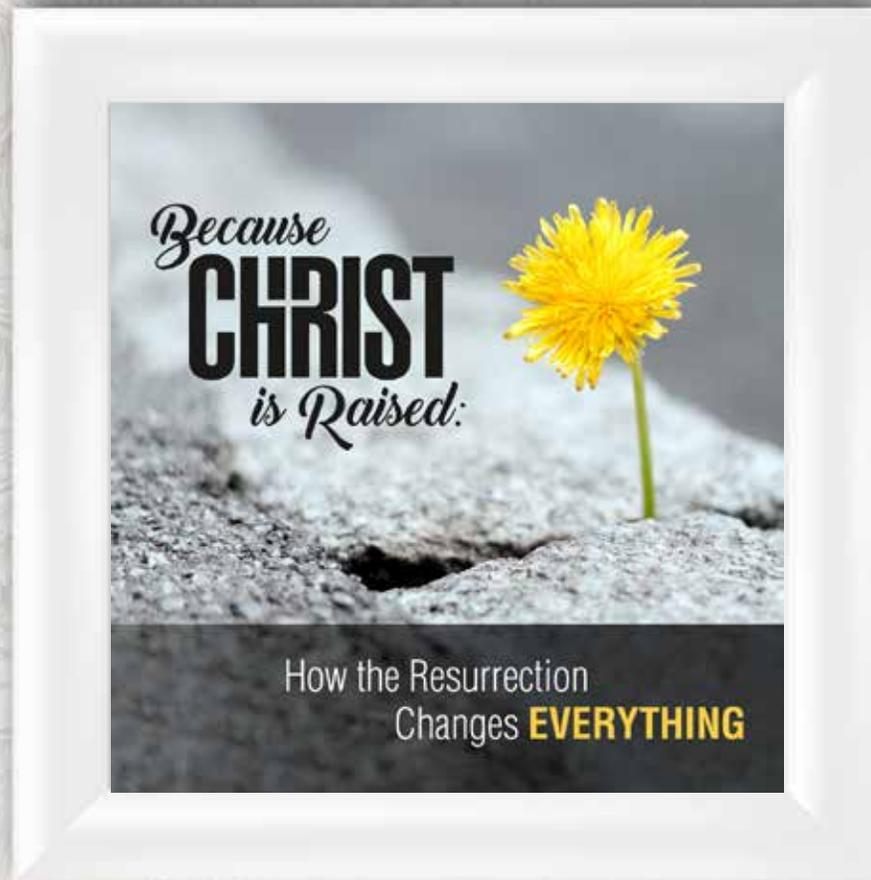
Christian: The resurrection of Jesus.

The Very Religious Athenians

1. The People: By serving the gods, we appease and manipulate them to give us health and wealth, peace and prosperity in this life.
2. The Epicureans: This life is all there is and there is no personal god, so let us seek pleasure by doing what makes us happy (but all-out hedonism doesn’t make us happy.)
3. The Stoics: This life is all there is, god is an impersonal force (nature), so let us use reason and logic to develop ethics for the common good.

Paul’s Very Respectful But Religiously Incorrect Message

1. God is the _____, one, true, living, and personal Creator of everything and everyone.
2. God is _____ the universe according to his perfect plan with no help.
3. God has _____ the absolute standard of ethics for people to live by.
4. God is _____ by his own character to judge his creatures by his perfect standard.
5. God has _____ Jesus from the dead to assure everyone that these things are true.



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