

**Sermon Series: The Grace Favored Life
(Book of Ephesians)
Today's Sermon:**

“The Power to Bless”

Ephesians 4:17-5:2

1. Be _____ about your thoughts and feelings.
(v.25)
2. Deal with _____ immediately.
(v.26)
3. Choose your _____ carefully.
(v.29a)
4. _____ instead of tearing down.
(v.29b)
5. Let go of past _____.
(v.31)
6. Control your _____.
(v.31)
7. Don't take _____ shots.
(v.31)
8. Show your _____ and _____ side.
(v.32)
9. Ask for _____ when you are wrong,
_____ when you are wronged. (v.32)
10. Remember, a little bit of _____ covers
a multitude of sins. (v.5:2)



Kids Worship Begins @ 10:45 AM

Kid's Church (1st - 6th Grade)
Kid's Church Jr. (3 Years - Kindergarten)
Two Year Olds
Babies - 23 Months

First Steps

Membership is open to anyone who has 1) placed their faith in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and 2) has been baptized by immersion by a body of believers of like faith and practice. We will be happy to assist you with these spiritual decisions. Text FIRST to (409) 215-0332 to be contacted or meet one of our Ministers near the platform after the service to discuss your spiritual decision.



First Baptist Church of Texas City
10000 Emmett F. Lowry Expy., Suite 2000
Texas City, TX 77591

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
TEXAS CITY, TEXAS
PERMIT NO. 108



**Pursuing
Christ FIRST
in Life, Love and
Actions**

March 17, 2019



Song: Here For You
Artist: Matt Redman



Song: Great Is Thy Faithfulness
(Beginning to End)
Artist: One Sonic Society



Song: Worthy, You Are Worthy
Artist: Don Moen



Song: Who You Say I Am
Artist: Hillsong Worship



Song: He Leadeth Me
Artist: First Worship



Song: Make Me a Blessing (Blessed)
Artist: Various artists

Message

Dr. Robert Miller

“The Power to Bless”

Ephesians 4:17-5:2

Deacon of the Week

Jerry Williams

409-986-4950



fbctc.com

This Week @ FBCTC

March 17 - 23

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Band/Tech Rehearsal
- 8:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study
- 10:45 a.m. Worship Service
- 4:00 p.m. **VBS** Planning Meeting - Youth Room
- 5:00 p.m. Financial Peace University - Joy in Christ Ladies Classroom

Wednesday

- 5:00 p.m. Burger Bunch - Beyond Burger
- 5:15 p.m. Transitions - Joy in Christ Ladies Classroom
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise
- 6:30 p.m. **J.A.M.** - Youth
- 6:30 p.m. **AWANA** - Children
- 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Elmcroft Senior Living Service

Friday

OFFICE CLOSED



If you would like to help plan this year's **VBS**, join us at 4:00pm on MARCH 17 in the Youth Room.



EASTER EGG HUNT PLANNING MEETING
MARCH 24 -- 3:00pm
in the Youth Room

Ministry Staff

Dr. Robert R. Miller, Pastor
John Talley, Associate Pastor, Worship & Administration
Dennis Johns, Associate Pastor, Families
Meschel Hara, Children's Minister



Worship services are streamed live on the internet each week from our website. Recent services are also available short term. Click on the livestream.

A Message from Robert Miller

The American Church

Several years ago, I was very involved in mission work outside the United States, mostly in Africa. When I first started, I was surprised by three things. One, how fervent and dedicated the Christians were in other countries. Two, I realized instead of us going over there to help them we needed to be bringing some of their leaders over to help us – three, the consensus opinion among foreign church leaders was that the church in America was weak and ineffective. After working with them, I tended to agree with them.

It came as no surprise that the African Methodists came out in mass over a proposed change to the Methodist traditional stance on homosexuality recently in a meeting in St. Louis. The Methodist Church though affirming that every person is a creation of God and is welcome in their churches drew the line at performing gay marriages or ordaining practicing homosexuals to the clergy. The majority of American Methodists wanted to change the policy to allow gay marriages and practicing homosexuals to be ordained. However, the African Methodists came over in mass (an amazing fact given how poor most of those congregations are) and voted to keep the traditional church law in place. It was a very controversial meeting, and the result will probably result in a split in the Methodist church.

At a luncheon, someone asked a well known African Methodist Bishop, if he understood that the fall out of the vote would be less money from the more affluent Methodist Churches in America going to help the poorer churches in Africa. His answer was priceless and not surprising to me. He basically told them that his country had just gotten out of civil war and that the people in his churches knew what it was to get by on little. He then went on to talk about the spiritual deadness of the American church that depends on materialism, being comfortable, and lack of sacrifice in the American churches. He referred to the American church as dying.

We can learn a lot from our brothers and sisters in Africa and other countries such as China, South Korea, South America, etc. Christianity is flourishing there while the church in America is declining in attendance and morality. God send a revival and let it begin in me!

Attendance for March 10, 2019

Sunday School	159
Legacy Ministry Visits	10
Worship	325

Financial gifts for March 10, 2019

	Week	To Date
Financial Plan	21,021.78	1,051,089.02
Financial Receipt	29,797.00	1,011,557.45
World Missions	225.00	8,920.00
Glass Memorial Baptistry	1,000.00	74,682.17



FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Nine Week Study beginning March 17 @ 5:00pm

Led by Tom & Sarah Link

Cost \$109 per individual or couple (Scholarships Available)

Childcare available

Sign up with this link or contact a minister concerning a scholarship

<https://www.fpu.com/1086393>

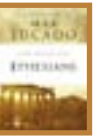


SMALL GROUP STUDY BOOK

Available in the main hall.

Cost - \$5

Contact Anne Miller, annemiller@comcast.net, if you are interested in joining or starting a small group.



JOIN THE CHOIR

Wednesday Rehearsals
7:30 PM - Corner Classroom



APRIL 17 - 6:30pm

Normal Wednesday Schedule

APRIL 18 - 6:30pm

Maundy Thursday/Communion Service

APRIL 19 - 6:30pm

Good Friday Service

APRIL 21 EASTER SUNDAY

8:45am Worship Service #1

10:00am Family Egg Hunt on the East lawn

10:45am Worship Service #2



EASTER EGG STUFFING

We have a goal of stuffing 4000 eggs for our church's egg hunt on Easter Sunday. Help us stuff eggs by taking home 2 bags of 48 eggs each and bringing them back filled with candy by April 14.