

The Parable of the Soils

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Context: "The Parabolic Discourse"

³⁴ All these things Jesus said to the crowds in parables; indeed, he said nothing to them without a parable. ³⁵ This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet: "I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter what has been hidden since the foundation of the world." (Matt. 13:34-35)

Why a shift in Jesus' teaching style to _____? (13:10-17; Isaiah 6)

1. The parables "_____" us.
2. The parables _____ to those who "have ears to hear".
3. The parables _____ to those who do not.

Thus, they are – as they were in the Old Testament – instruments of God's _____ on the unbelief of some and instruments of divine _____ for those who believed.

Jesus had been preaching the _____ of the _____ and performing many miracles for over a year now.

As he did, we saw _____ vastly different were the responses to him:

Disciples:

Most people:

Pharisees:

Now, Jesus explains _____ people respond as they do, and he does in the form of a parable.

Matthew 13:1-9

The "_____" tells us something about the _____ ...

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Specifically, we're told _____ we respond and _____ we respond that way.

"He who has ears, let him hear." (Matthew 13:9)

"Take care then how you hear ..." (Luke 8:18)

Heart 1 – The Hardened Soil

Some respond _____.

Why?

Matthew 13:19

Heart 2 – The Rocky Soil

Some respond _____.

Why?

Matthew 13:20-21

Heart 3 – The Thorny Soil

Some respond _____.

Why?

Matthew 13:22

Heart 4 – The Good Soil

Some respond _____.

Why?

Matthew 13:23

Conclusion:

What's my response to Jesus the King?

*Dr. Paul Thompson
Calvary Baptist Church
February 9, 2025*

Sunday, February 9

10am Worship

Thou, O Lord

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Praise..... Charles Uptain
Psalm 85:7-9

⁷ Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation. ⁸ Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly. ⁹ Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

The Love Of God

Alabama Baptist Children's Home Appeal & Prayer Kim McGainey

Offering

The Sower's Song

Message Paul Thompson
The Parable of the Soils
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus

Benediction..... John Adams Uptain
Proverbs 16:20

²⁰ Whoever gives thought to the word will discover good, and blessed is he who trusts in the Lord.

No 5pm Worship

Sunday, February 9 Schedule

8:30am Life Group & Open Classes

10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center

5:00pm Student Super Bowl Fellowship, ROC

There will be NO PM worship. If you don't have other plans and would like to join the students for the fun, all are welcome. Bring a snack to share.

Missions Conference 2025

Saturday, February 22

9:00 Devotion, Breakfast, & Prayer

10:15 Breakout Session

11:15 Breakout Session

12:00 Lunch

Sunday, February 23

8:30 Combined Life Groups: Mission Partner Panel Discussion

10:00 Morning Worship (Speaker: Chuck Lawless)

3:30 Mission Partners Speak to Students During D-Group

5:00 Evening Worship (Speakers: CV Vadavana & Joe Carroll)



Use the QR code to register for the missions conference. Deadline to register is Sunday, February 16. The first 50 to register will receive a free gift bag of resources.

Meaningful Membership

Sundays, March 2, 9, & 16 | Begins in ROC Lobby

Whether you are new to Calvary or have been at Calvary for a long time, this class offers all the information you need to know about Calvary.

Mission Trip Opportunity for Spring 2025

Mission Trip: New York City

Date: TBD (April/May)

Purpose: Assisting Steve and Toni Chambers with ministry work for Neighborhood Church.

Team Leader: James Welsh (334) 798-2113

Mission Trip: Kenya

Date: July 14-23

Purpose: Widows Conference, VBS and Medical
Three additional nurses are needed.

Team Leader: Stacey Harrison (334) 685-8565

Calvary Weekday Ministries

Calvary Weekday Ministries will be accepting in-house registration for Fall 2025 for current students and Calvary church members February 10-28. To enroll or for more information, contact: Michelle@calvarydothan.com for babies-age 2 Jaci@calvarydothan.com for K3-Kindergarten

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

My Decision Today:

I trusted Jesus as Savior.

I'd like to join Calvary Baptist Church.

I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.

Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Pastors & Prayer Team Only

Churchwide

Connect Card

February 9, 2025

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate, or in the boxes by the exits.

- Please update my information
- Please contact me about membership

I am a:

- First Time Guest
- Attender
- Member

Name

Address

City

State/Zip

- Male
- Female

- Married
- Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Spouse

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Children:

Name / Date of Birth

Name / Date of Birth

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Please complete the additional information on the back of this tab, if applicable.

February 9, 2025

February Missions Spotlight

The Harbor (Local Missions Partner)

The Harbor's mission is to transform the heart of Dothan through the transforming love and power of Jesus. The Scriptures are their guide as they seek to serve all those in need, physically and spiritually. If you would like to learn more about the ministry work at The Harbor, you can visit theharbordothan.org or visit facebook.com/theharbordothan. Prayer needs for The Harbor can be found on prayer cards at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

B and M (Global Missions Partner)

B and his team work alongside the South Asian church to see them take local stewardship of the Great Commission and Great Commandment, especially among Muslims who remain unreached and unengaged with the Gospel. If you would like to learn more about their ministry work, contact Tommy Perry and he will inform you of their efforts. If you want to know how to pray for them, please pick up a prayer card at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

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THE PEOPLE CAME...

February 2

Life Group: 517
10:00 Worship: 633
5:00 Worship: 162
Hispanic Church: 117
Neighborhood Church (NY): 25

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given February 2: \$60,003.78
Lottie Moon Y-T-D: \$135,819.45

BIBLE READING PLAN

February 9-15

- Lev 16, Matt 26:57-75
- Lev 17, Matt 27
- Lev 18-20, Matt 28
- Lev 21-23, Mark 1:1-28
- Lev 24-25, Mark 1:29-45
- Lev 26-Num 1, Mark 2

Sunday Schedule

- 8:30am Life Groups & Open Classes
- 10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5, Chapel (except 1st Sunday)
- 5:00pm Family Worship, Sanctuary Childcare for Babies-K3

I'm New Here

We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church.



To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code or you can fill out the Connect Card in this bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

Also, be sure to stop by our Next Steps table in the foyer after the service for a gift from us!

How to Become a Christian

Want more information about how to become a Christian? Go to calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/.

If you would like to view a pdf of today's AM sermon notes, go to calvarydothan.com/messages.

Ministry Staff

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|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Paul Thompson..... | Senior Pastor | Joyce Alexander..... | Preschool |
| Charles Uptain..... | Executive Pastor | Zach Daniels..... | Children |
| Dan Tankersley..... | Discipleship Pastor | Reagan Farris..... | Students |
| Patrick Lima..... | Worship | Randy Hunt..... | Senior Adults |
| Tommy Perry..... | Missions | | |

STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, February 9:

Reagan Farris | 504-319-6986

Saturday, February 15:

Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791

Sunday, February 16:

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SERMON SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 16

10am

The Parable of Weeds

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Message by Paul Thompson

5pm

Compassion and Judgment: A Hope of Restoration

Message by Tommy Perry

Wednesday Schedule

- 6:00pm Open Classes, D-Groups, Life Groups
- Birth-K5, Preschool Bldg
- Grades 1-5, Chapel
- Grades 6-12, Student Room

⁶ "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; ⁷ let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

– Isaiah 55:6-7

