



Encouraging Word from a Shepherd

Soul "Soil" Parable

Have you ever wondered why the same book or sermon will produce strikingly different results in different people? How is it, for example, that some people seem unable to grasp the simplest and most obvious spiritual truths while others are transformed by them? In the parable of the sower Jesus uses different types of soil in order you tell us why this happens.

We all have areas of our hearts and minds where our "soil" is soft and receptive to God, as well as areas where our "soil" is hard and less receptive. Take some time to reflect on areas of receptivity and areas where you would like God to make you more receptive to his love and his will in your life.

Read Matthew 13:1 – 23

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Prayer Requests:

- ◆ John Long—Continue to pray for John as he is trying to gain some strength back. Also, pray blessings on Shirley as she is walking with him.
- ◆ Sandra Neill—Pray for Sandra and her recovery from surgery this past week.
- ◆ Amy Stevens—Daughter of Paul and Tresa Stevens, members at Boerne Church of Christ and dear friends of Sid & Marsha Dowell. Amy is undergoing scans at MD Anderson, and treatment via chemo, for cancerous tumors in several area of her body. Please pray for the doctors to have wisdom and understanding, and for Amy to positively respond to the treatments.
- ◆ Ray Bruce—Continue to pray for Ray as he waits for test results to come back. Give him peace and comfort.
- ◆ Mark Snider—He is St. Luke's Hospital and recovering from an infection on two toes. The right big toe had to be removed and the doctors were able to remove a piece of metal from his left foot. He is doing well taking pain meds and expects to be transferred to a rehab facility soon. Please pray for a speedy recovery where he can go back to his home.
- ◆ William Burger—Father of Crystal Johnson's coworker and friend, Jourdan (Burger) Howell,

went into the hospital and they found a brain tumor. He had surgery this week and was able to remove the entire tumor. At last update, he was in ICU and waiting on reports to come back from the surgery. Please be praying for he and his family.

- ◆ Andrew Pope—(Friend of the Teague's) Andrew had another surgery on his legs this past week and it went as well as can be expected. He was moved to a non-COVID ICU where his parents have been able to be with him some and that's very helpful for his anxiousness. He will have more surgery in the next week or so and they soon will have some hard decisions to make. Please continue to pray for this young man. We do appreciate every one of them!

With Deepest Sympathy

Our thanks for gestures of kindness
in the wake of my mother,
Patricia Pamplin's, passing
on January 13th.

David & Suzanne Pamplin





Widow & Widower Valentine Baskets

Come bless some of our church family by preparing a little basket to honor them and show how much we care. Then your family can take a basket or two deliver them during the week.

Volunteers needed to kids with making cards and crafts to go into the baskets

Sign up @ nwchurch.us

MOSES IN AN EVER-CHANGING WORLD

The adult class on "Moses in an Ever-Changing World" will resume Sunday in the Fellowship Hall after morning worship.

We will be discussing why Moses -- endowed with positive physical traits, schooled in the best education the world had to offer, and spiritually aware of his heritage and God-fearing family -- violated the law against killing and fled to Midian to take up the life of a shepherd with people he didn't even know. Exodus 3 and 4:1-13.

Ladies Class Leader Needed

Elaine Lewis has led the NW Ladies Bible Class for several years and has decided to step down. We really appreciate all the time and effort that she has put into this class.

Thank you Elaine!

If you are interested in leading this class on Tuesday mornings, please contact church office

Spring Break Mission Trip

March 6th-10th, 2021

Join us as we Rise Up together for a short mission trip to Pharr TX for all ages. Family friendly trip with kid friendly projects throughout the trip. Cost: \$30 per person

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