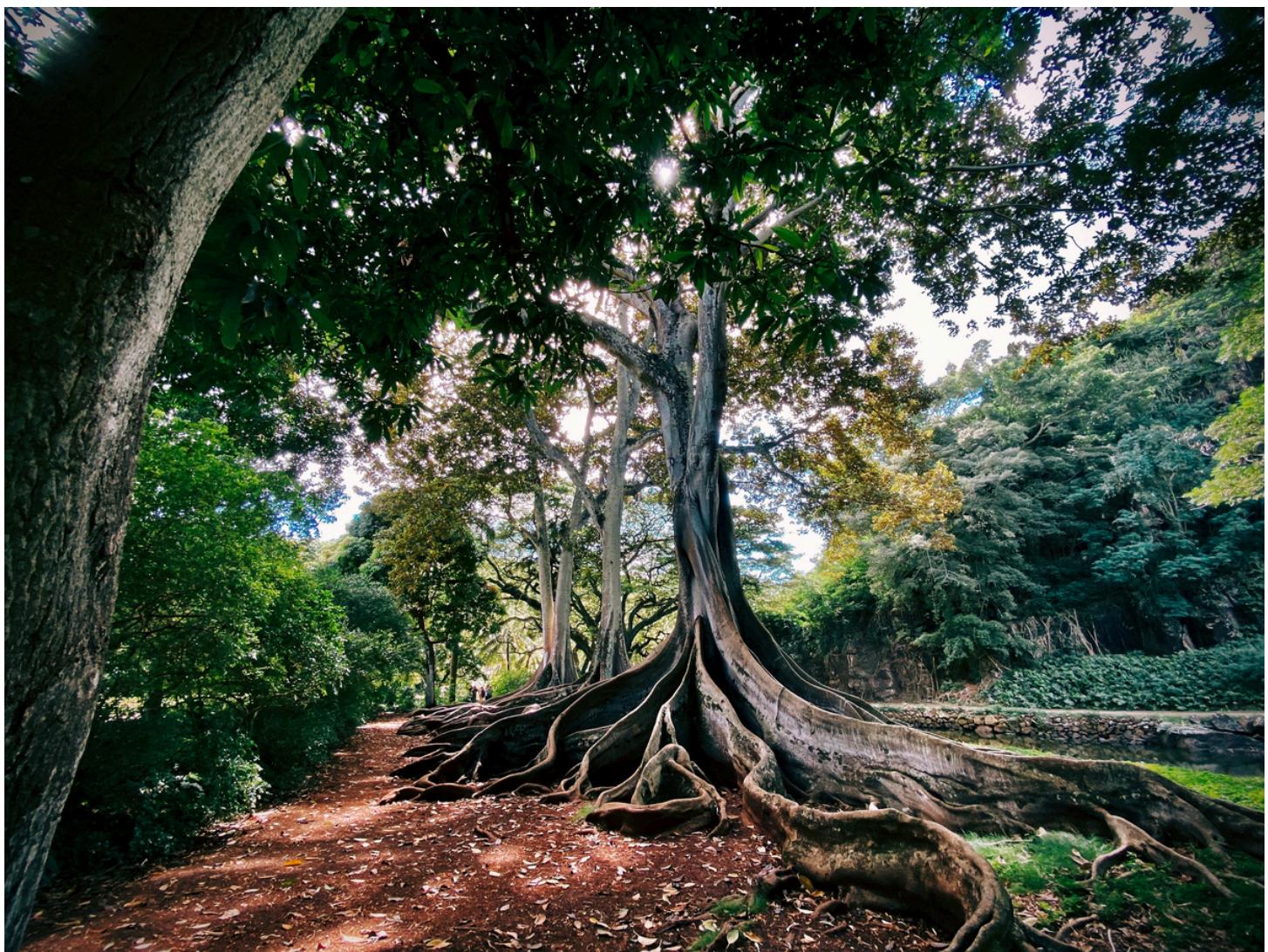


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# *The Parable of the Sower*



February 15, 2026

10:30 AM

543 E Freeman Street, Duncanville

# Order of Worship

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTROIT

### CALL TO WORSHIP

All: Here we are, Lord, to worship You and confess that You are God. Lead us into a time of worship that creates in us a deep thirst to continually seek You, as Your Word works on our hearts. Thank You for always being there and never leaving our side. Amen.

### SONGS OF PRAISE BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

Blessed be Your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord,  
Still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord  
Still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord, blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name  
(REPEAT)

## **SHOULDERS**

When confusion's my companion,  
And despair holds me for ransom,  
I will feel no fear.  
I know that You are near.

When I'm caught deep in the valley,  
With chaos for my company,  
I find my comfort here,  
'Cause I know that You are near.

My help comes from You.  
You're right here pulling me through.  
You carry my weakness, my sickness, my brokenness  
All on Your shoulders, Your shoulders.  
My help comes from You.  
You are my rest, my rescue.  
I don't have to see to believe that You're lifting me  
Up on Your shoulders, Your shoulders.

You mend what once was shattered  
And You turn my tears to laughter,  
Your forgiveness is my fortress.  
Oh, Your mercy is relentless.

My help comes from You,  
You're right here pulling me through.  
You carry my weakness, my sickness, my brokenness  
All on Your shoulders, Your shoulders.  
My help comes from You.  
You are my rest, my rescue.  
I don't have to see to believe that You're lifting me  
Up on Your shoulders, Your shoulders.

My help is from You. (x4)  
Don't have to see it to believe it.  
Don't have to see it 'cause I know  
'Cause I know it's true  
(REPEAT)

My help comes from You.  
You're right here pulling me through.  
You carry my weakness, my sickness, my brokenness  
All on Your shoulders, Your shoulders.  
My help comes from You.  
You are my rest, my rescue.  
I don't have to see to believe that You're lifting me  
up on Your shoulders, Your shoulders.

**My help is from You. (x8)**

Don't have to see it to believe it.

Don't have to see it 'cause I know

'Cause I know it's true

(REPEAT x4)

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**All:** Lord, forgive us for our inconsistency in deeply seeking You, and for the distrust and lack of faith that often follow. Help us draw close to You and never let go, even as we face the trials of life.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

#### **SONG**

#### **HOLD TO GOD'S UNCHANGING HAND**

Time is filled with swift transition.

Naught of earth unmoved can stand.

Build your hopes on things eternal.

Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand.

Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand.

Build your hopes on things eternal.

Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Trust in Him who will not leave you.

Whatsoever years may bring.

If by earthly friends forsaken,

Still more closely to Him cling.

Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand.

Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand.

Build your hopes on things eternal.

Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Covet not this world's vain riches  
That so rapidly decay.  
Seek to gain the heavenly treasures.  
They will never pass away.

Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand.  
Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand.  
Build your hopes on things eternal.  
Hold to God's unchanging hand.

When your journey is completed,  
If to God you have been true,  
Fair and bright the home in Glory  
Your enraptured soul will view.

Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand.  
Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand.  
Build your hopes on things eternal.  
Hold to God's unchanging hand.

## OFFERING

## SPECIAL MUSIC GOD OF THE BROKENHEARTED

## SCRIPTURE

Matthew 13:5-6 and 13:20-21

(5-6) Other seeds fell on shallow soil with underlying rock. The seeds sprouted quickly because the soil was shallow. But the plants soon wilted under the hot sun, and since they didn't have deep roots, they died.

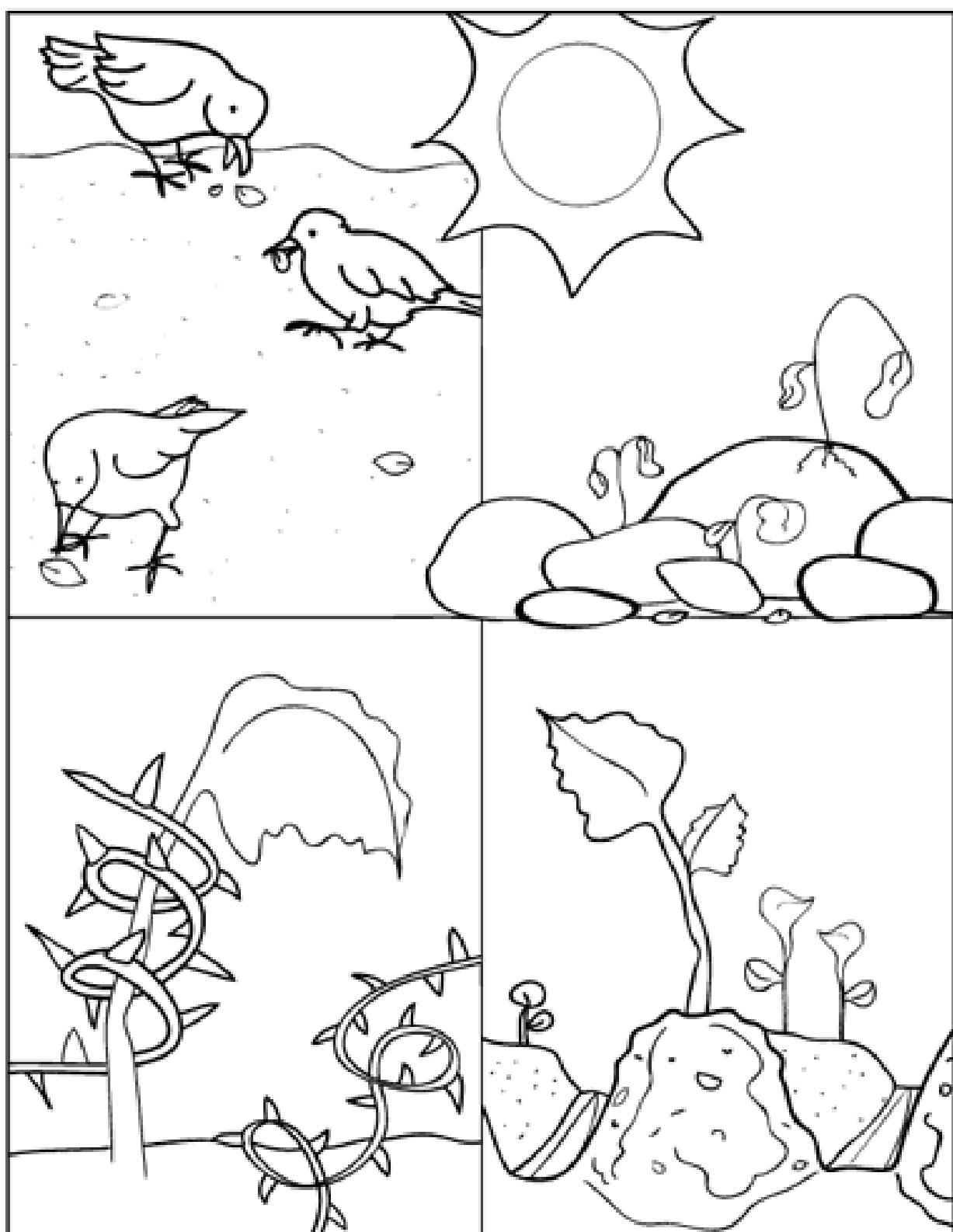
(20-21) The seed on the rocky soil represents those who hear the message and immediately receive it with joy. But since they don't have deep roots, they don't last long. They fall away as soon as they have problems or are persecuted for believing God's word.

**SERMON**  
“God Is Still Working on Me”-  
Min. Jeff Thorpe

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**SONG OF RESPONSE**  
I HAVE DECIDED TO FOLLOW JESUS,  
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**BENEDICTION**



**The Parable of The Sower and the Seed**

# Announcements

- **Join us after the service today for our monthly Potluck! We would love to see you there!**
- **This Wednesday night at 6:00pm, we will start our Lenten Study. We will be reading Adam Hamilton's book *24 Hours that Changed the World* and studying the last day of Jesus' life. Dinner will be served, and this week, ashes will be distributed for Ash Wednesday. Please sign up in the narthex if you plan to attend!**
- **There will be NO men's fellowship this coming Saturday. The next men's fellowship meeting will be on Saturday, March 7.**

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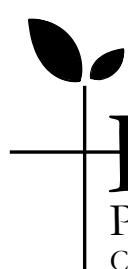
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## Welcome Guests and Visitors!

We want to get to know you! If it's your first time here, please fill out a visitor card from the seat back in front of you and place it in an offering plate, located throughout the sanctuary.

## Sunday School and Children

Sunday school for adults and children meets at 9:15 AM in the Education Building. During the service, nursery is provided for ages 0-4 in the Education Building. Children are welcome to stay with you during the service, and are invited to come forward during the Children's Moment. If your child needs something to keep them busy, kids' activity boxes are available in the entry hall!



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