

Things to Pray for:

CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS: Pray for April who had a major surgery this upcoming week. Pray for Sam who broke his finger. Thank God for helping Dylan recover from his surgery, for helping Vin through some complications that came from strep throat, and for helping Callie recover from the surgery on her jaw. Please continue to pray for Jerry Jamrozy, who has bone cancer.

MISSIONARIES: This month pray for the Mishkins.

FAMILY OF THE WEEK: Each week we'll pray for a different family in our church. This week pray for the Lubbers.

HILLSIDE HAPPENINGS: Pray that the church would continue to stay unified under Christ. Pray for our livestream and for the people joining us there. Pray for Casa Del Alfarero, the Spanish-speaking Missionary Church 5 minutes from our building.

CURRENT HAPPENINGS: Pray for those affected by the recent shooting in Elkhart. Pray for the war in Israel. Pray for the war in Ukraine. Pray for all of the damage and those affected from the recent fires in California.

Numbers

Attendance

In-person on 2/9/24: 39

Online views (through 2/12): 13

Giving

Online: (2/3/25-2/9/25): \$25

In-Person on 2/9/25: \$1875 for general, \$50 for missions



Give Online

Rather view this information on your phone?
Feel free to scan this Q.R. code to view this on the Bible app! For future reference, we always have the QR code posted at the main entrance that will take you to that week's event in the Bible app!



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Matthew 18:12

What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray?


Hillside
MISSIONARY CHURCH

Welcome!

February 16th, 2025

Whether you're a guest or a long-time attendee we're glad you're here with us. We're a friendly and caring group of Christians who are here to help people be **CONNECTED** with Jesus, **CHANGED** by Jesus, and **COMMITTED** to the mission of Jesus.

GUESTS: Thanks for joining us today! We truly believe that you're not here by accident and that God has some amazing plans for your life. If you'd like some information about who we are and how to get plugged in here at Hillside, please fill out the "I'm New" page on our website, which can be found by the QR code to the right.



EMAIL LIST: If you would like to receive prayer requests, announcements, and our weekly email, feel free to scan the QR code above. It will take you to the "I'm New" page on our website, where you can fill out your name, phone number, and email.

SERMON SERIES: We are currently going through a sermon series in the Gospel of Matthew. Today, we're talking about a moment where Jesus teaches His disciples an important lesson on the Father's heart towards all people.

Announcements

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Our boxes were sent to Benin. Located in West Africa, Benin ranks high among the continent's cotton producers, but still remains one of the world's poorest countries. Samaritan's Purse began distributing OCC shoebox gifts here in 1999. Since 2010, many of Benin's children have also participated in The Greatest Journey discipleship course. Please continue to pray for the boy or girl who received your shoebox.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: We use an app called the "Instant Church Directory." We invite everyone to download this app. If you would like access and/or to be added to the church directory, please email Pastor Josh.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS: If you are interested in our new members class, happening on Saturday, March 15th, from 9am-1pm, please let Pastor Josh know!

Opportunities to Help

TECH: Our worship team is looking for someone who would like to run sound and/or slides. Please see Pastor Josh.

WORSHIP TEAM: Would you like to help out on the worship team? Please see Carolyn Dodd for details.

PRAYER GUIDE: Will you be in prayer for Hillside? Prayer guides are available at the welcome counter. Also, if you would like to be a prayer advocate, please see Pastor Josh.

MAINTENANCE TEAM: Would you like to help out on the maintenance team? We need help inside and outside the building. Please see Jeff Soule for details.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

Matthew

FROM TAX COLLECTOR TO APOSTLE

Week 53 - Matthew 18:10-14 - 2/16/25

How to Change the Way You See Other People

God's Word makes it clear that we are to love God, and love others. So many times though, there can be a person, or a group of people, who we can have a difficult time loving. In this part of God's Word, Jesus is teaching His disciples not to despise a group of people who are lowly in society. When you find yourself having a difficult time loving someone, or a group of people,...

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2. God _____ that person inside and out
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3. God _____ deeply for that person
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4. God is actively _____ that person
Matt. 18:12-13, Rom. 3:23, 1 John 4:19, Ez. 43:11, 1 Pet. 2:9, Luke 13:34
5. God can _____ that person
Matt. 18:13, Mark 10:25, Eph. 1:7, Titus 2:14, 1 Tim. 1:15
6. God wants to _____ that person's salvation
Matt. 18:14, 2 Pet. 3:9, John 6:39-40, Luke 15:9-10, 22-24, 32
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Reflecting on God's Word

Getting Started

- Take some time to read over Matthew 18:10-14 and pray.
- Have you ever read or heard about this before? What stood out to you as we were talking about it?
- What surprised you as we talked about it?
- As you think about what we discussed during the message, who did the Lord bring to your mind? Why do you think that is? Has He ever brought that person, or those people, to your mind before? If so, how, and why do you think that is?
- Be honest with yourself, and spend some time in prayer, asking the Lord about any prejudices you may have. If you have any, spend some time seeking the Lord's forgiveness (Read 1 John 1:9) and think through where those prejudices come from.

Diving In

1. Oftentimes, we can have a difficult time loving someone because they, or someone similar to them, have hurt us in the past. Have you ever experienced that? If so, what happened? Who, or what group of people, hurt you?

- When this is the case, we can be tempted to take revenge, or treat that person (or people) in a way that isn't loving. Read Heb. 10:13, Rom. 12:19, and Prov. 20:22. How can these verses help you when you find yourself in this type of situation?

2. How does thinking through how the Lord views other people help you to love them better? Spend some time reading through the entire chapter of Luke 15. How do the 3 parables in this chapter help you to love others? How can you avoid the mistake that the older brother made in Luke 15:25-30?

Applying the Scripture

What are your biggest takeaways from this passage of God's Word?

- What practical step(s) do you need to implement in your life to apply what God has taught you in this passage of Scripture?
- How would applying this affect your life and your relationship with the Lord?
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