

WELCOME

Our Mission is ONE REAL PASSION

- Each ONE Matters
- Be REAL
- Follow the PASSION of Jesus

Our Goal is to

- Connect you to Jesus
- Connect you to His community for discipleship
- Connect you to your mission and purpose in life

We are not here to tell you what to wear, eat, listen to, vote for, or even believe. These are things you must determine for yourself if you want to have real faith. We are here to give you truth, facts, tools and point out that every choice, every belief, and every action you make is tied to an outcome in your life. You can't do life without developing a strong foundation and becoming a person of substance. This is your journey, your discovery, and you will reap the benefit of the work you do.

FHNew - Our mission as a church is to do everything we can to help you grow your faith. If you would like to get to know us a little better or begin or continue your journey of faith, speak to an elder or staff member or **contact Foothills** at **208-853-0011** and we will send you a link to a few short videos about Foothills Church. Or for more information, stop by the **Connection booth in the Atrium**.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Fill out a **Connect card** using the QR code on the screen or the actual card on the seat back in front of you. Place your prayer request in the ORANGE offering box in the back of the Sanctuary. You can also send a prayer request using this form: **Prayer Request - Foothills Church**. The staff and volunteers pray over these weekly.

FHBaptism - One important step in your faith journey is being baptized. To learn more about baptism, speak to an elder or staff member or **contact Foothills** at <u>208-853-0011</u> and we will send you the teaching on Believers' Baptism.

ONGOING/UPCOMING

- MomCo Foothills Moms Community- MomCo Foothills Church
- Small Groups <u>Foothills Church (churchcenter.com)</u>
- KidMin Volunteers needed Contact Pastor Steve Botsford at steve@foothills.org
- MOMENTUM: Find out more here Momentum | Foothills Christian Church



Stranger Stories #2: The Demon-Possessed Boy

Pastor Trent Renner

The Final Judgement of Revelation 20:11-15 (NLT)

"And I saw a great white throne and the one sitting on it. The earth and sky fled from his presence, but they found no place to hide. 12 I saw the dead, both great and small, standing before God's throne. And the books were opened, including the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to what they had done, as recorded in the books. 13 The sea gave up its dead, and death and the grave gave up their dead. And all were judged according to their deeds. 14 Then death and the grave were thrown into the lake of fire. This lake of fire is the second death. 15 And anyone whose name was not found recorded in the Book of Life was thrown into the lake of fire." Rev 20:11-15 (NLT)

When Jesus flexes His divinity, demons of darkness flee like a room full of cockroaches when you turn on the light.

Mark 9:14-29 (NLT)

"When the crowd saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with awe, and they ran to greet him.

"What is all this arguing about?" Jesus asked.

One of the men in the crowd spoke up and said, "Teacher, I brought my son so you could heal him. He is possessed by an evil spirit that won't let him talk. And whenever the spirit seizes him, it throws him violently to the ground. Then he foams at the mouth and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast out the evil spirit, but they could not do it."

Jesus said to them, "You faithless people! How long must I be with you? How long must I put up with you? Bring the boy to me."

So they brought the boy. But when the evil spirit saw Jesus, it threw the child into a violent convulsion, and he fell to the ground, writhing and foaming at the mouth.

"How long has this been happening?" Jesus asked the boy's father. He replied, "Since he was a little boy. The spirit often throws him into the fire or into water, trying to kill him. Have mercy on us and help us, if you can."

"What do you mean, 'If I can'?" Jesus asked. "Anything is possible, if a person believes."

The father instantly cried out, "I do believe, but help me overcome my unbelief!" When Jesus saw that the crowd of on lookers was growing, he rebuked the evil spirit. "Listen, you spirit that makes this boy unable to hear and speak," He said. "I command you to come out of this child and never enter him again!"

Then the spirit screamed and threw the boy into another violent convulsion and left him. The boy appeared to be dead. A murmur ran through the crowd as people said, "He's dead." but Jesus took him by the hand and helped him to his feet, and he stood up.



Afterward, when Jesus was alone in the house with his disciples, they asked him, "why couldn't we cast out the evil spirit?" Jesus replied, "This kind can be cast out only by prayer." Mark 9:15-29 (NLT)

Matthew 17:20 (NLT)

"I tell you the truth, if you had faith even as small as a mustard seed, you could say to this mountain, 'move from here to there,' and it would move. Nothing would be impossible."

Continuation of Billy's story . . .

This child and dad were resilient (Billy too!)

You and I do not build resilience by feeling good all the time. We build it by getting better at feeling bad!

- —How good am I at feeling bad? (Great moment to shine)
- -What pain am I denying/delaying, thus holding off my OTI?

Ephesians 6:12-13 (NLT)

"For we are not fighting against flesh and blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor, so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm."

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

Week of 10/12/2025

CENTRAL THEME: When Jesus flexes His divinity, demons of darkness flee!

ICE BREAKER:

- 1. Share a superstition you have or do.
- 2. Who carves pumpkins and what is your best design? Pictures?
- 3. What is your favorite Fall beverage?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Did anything distinctly impact you during this weekend's worship service or message?
- 2. We read this weekend about a boy with a demon. His father said to Jesus, "If you can!" So, If God would do a miracle in your life this week, what would you ask of Him? Serious answers only.



- 3. Bible passages to read/discuss related to this message series.
 - Ephesians 3:16-21
 - Isaiah 14:12-15
 - Ezekiel 28:17
 - Revelation 12:7-9
 - John 8:44

- James 4:6
- 2 Corinthians 11:14
- Romans 16:20
- Matthew 13:24-30
- 1 John 5:1-54
- 4. It was said in the message, "We do not build resilience by feeling good all the time, we build it by getting better at feeling bad." What pain am I delaying, thus preventing my opportunity to improve?

Read and discuss how you all are doing regarding Ephesians 6:10-20

Now What?

Remember: You can do all things through Christ who gives you strength. Fear not. Be bold and courageous.

Prayer requests

We love to pray for all types of situations (sickness, hospitalization, tough times, etc.). Let's also pray for those who are disconnected from God and for the courage to invite them into our community. Pray Foothills Church remains strong through our transition.

The Momentum Spiritual Growth Challenge is a primary focus of ours from July 2025 to July 2027

- Pray, Wednesdays, 1:16 PM
- 2-year Bible reading plan
- Serve once a month: Me Foothills Church
- Join a Foothills Life Group: Me Foothills Church
- Invite one person a quarter to attend Church
- Give financially above and beyond regular tithes and offerings.

These things help build an unshakable community amongst us.

It is official, Joshua and Jessi Adsit have accepted the role of Pastor Next! Stay tuned!

Close in prayer

Keep that empty chair in the circle to remind us that we can reach one more. Pray for the chair to be filled with a person who crosses one of our lines of sight or who is in our circles of influence.