

WELCOME

Our Mission is ONE REAL PASSION

1. Each **ONE** Matters
2. Be **REAL**
3. 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

New to Foothills? 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**, 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.

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

ONGOING/UPCOMING

- **MomCo** - [Foothills Moms Community- MomCo - Foothills Church](#)
- **Small Groups** - [Foothills Church \(churchcenter.com\)](#)
- **MOMENTUM: Find out more here** [Momentum | Foothills Christian Church](#)
- **NEW! CHURCH CENTER App** – Watch sermons live, follow along with the message and take notes, join a group, register for upcoming events, chat with your small group. The app is available in the App Store or Google Play -- search for *Foothills Christian Church*
- **Host the Adsit Family** – [Adsit Home Stays - Foothills Church](#)
- **Serving Opportunities:** Fill out a **CONNECT** card or visit the **CONNECTION BOOTH** in the Atrium
 - **FH Kids** – Love kids? Prefer not to teach? Perfect. We have super easy, low-prep roles like Crew Guides and helpers that make a huge difference.
 - **Production** – If you can push a button, we can teach you the rest! Whether you are tech-savvy or brand new, this behind-the-scenes team has a spot for you.
 - **Worship** – If you sing or play, come audition! Our leaders will coach, support, and help you grow.
 - **Sunday Breakfast Team** - Love to cook? We are looking for someone to provide breakfast once a month for the Sunday Morning volunteers -- a fun and creative way to serve your church community.
- **Parents' Night Out** – February 13, 6-8 pm. **DROP OFF YOUR KIDDOS** for Movie & Pizza Night – ages 3 months – 11 years; then go out and have some fun! Includes crafts & bounce house. [RSVP required](#).
- **Parent's Night Out - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** For more info or to sign up: [Parent's Night Out Volunteer Form - Foothills Church](#)
- **Missions Bake Sale – TODAY** after service. Stock up on Super Bowl-ready snacks or Valentine's treats. Proceeds go to support **Casa de Fe (mission partners in Ecuador)**
- **Annual Corporate Meeting** – Sunday, Feb 15, 4pm. Come celebrate what God is doing @ Foothills

The Message: It's Just A Book . . . Unless It's Not

Pastor Trent Renner

SERIES IN REVIEW

Message #1

- How did we get the Bible
- God to Man—Man to Paper—Paper to Heart
- Inspiration—Revelation—Illumination
- 7 rules of interpreting Scripture

Message #2

- Ask, "Is this God's design or man's distortion?"
- Practice Exegesis vs Isegesis
- Begin and Break and End in His Word
- God wants you back... "**Begin Again**"

Message #3

- Driving question: Why is there an Old & New Testament?
- Movements: Abraham, Moses, Sinai Covenant, Kings, Prophets, Silence, Jesus
- Old Testament: SORROW looks back, WORRY looks around, FAITH looks ahead
- New Testament: GRATITUDE looks back, PREPARATION looks around, and FAITH looks ahead

Message #4

- Request the visual of the Bible (call the Church office)
- Movements of God's Plan
 - Creation → Sin/Fall → Israel → Jesus → Church → Restoration
- Two kinds of people addressed in the New Testament
 - Not in Christ -- use the book of Acts
 - Already in Christ -- use the epistles

Message #5

- It Only Works If You Work It
- Related levels of approaching scripture to levels of skiing or snowboarding (Bunny Hill to Black Diamond)

So, as I wrap up this series... How much do I have to know, before I GO?

Matthew 28:19, "*Therefore GO and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this; I am with you always, even to the end of the age.*"

- **More is caught than taught!**

Today's Message: The 3 Chairs

“Experiencing Spiritual Breakthrough” by Dr. Bruce Wilkinson

- **Chair 1** – A Christian who is completely submitted to Jesus (**whole heart**)
- **Chair 2** – A Christian who is unsure of how much to surrender to Jesus (**half-heart**)
- **Chair 3** – A person who has not decided to follow Jesus (**dead heart**)

Chair levels can change fast...it's a choice.

“So fear the Lord and serve Him wholeheartedly. Put away forever the idols your ancestors worshipped when they lived beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt. Serve the Lord alone. But if you refuse to serve the Lord, then choose today whom you will serve...but as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord.” Joshua 24:14-16 (NLT)

1st Chair – Chooses to live a **Personal** faith

“And the Israelites served the Lord throughout the lifetime of Joshua and the leaders who outlived him—those who had seen all the great things the Lord had done for Israel.” Judges 2:7 (NLT)

2nd Chair – They see it / hear it, but **do not choose it**

“After that generation died, another generation grew up who did not acknowledge the Lord or remember the mighty things He had done for Israel.” Judges 2:10

3rd Chair – **No** faith

“Since they thought it foolish to acknowledge God, He abandoned them to their foolish thinking and let them do things that should never be done. Their lives became full of every kind of wickedness.” Romans 1:28

1st Chair —David - Whole Heart -- God as the center of my life

“The Lord has sought out a man after his own heart.” I Samuel 13:14

2nd Chair —Solomon - Half Heart -- Self 1st, God 2nd (God first unless – self, children, hobbies, travel)

“In Solomon’s old age, they turned his heart to worship other gods instead of being completely faithful to the Lord his God.” I Kings 11:4

3rd Chair —Rehoboam - Dead Heart -- Self only – No God (rejected godly advice – listened to his friends)

“But Rehoboam rejected the advice the elders gave him and consulted the young men who had grown up with him and were serving him.” I Kings 12:8

BIBLE

- 1st Chair — Obeys - lives according to its truth
- 2nd Chair — Reads - lives according to my truth
- 3rd Chair — Rejects/Owes — doesn't know truth or what truth is

VALUES

- 1st Chair — Bible + Nothing - Consistent
- 2nd Chair — Bible + Others - Compartmentalize
- 3rd Chair — No Bible, conform to society, Owns - doesn't know what truth is

CAREER

- 1st Chair — Mission field + Family provision
- 2nd Chair — Provision for my family
- 3rd Chair — Pleasure — Owns - doesn't know what truth is

MARRIAGE

- 1st Chair — Unconditional Covenant
- 2nd Chair — Conditional Covenant
- 3rd Chair — No covenant — selfish sex — Owns - doesn't know what truth is

PARENTING

- 1 Chair — Apply Biblical principles w/ confidence
- 2 Chair — Hope your kids have a good moral foundation
- 3 Chair — Influenced by the world, inconsistent

CHURCH

- 1 Chair — Owner
- 2 Chair — Pleaser
- 3 Chair — Lost

Which chair has the most stressed-out people? # 2

- Which chair do our children end up in? # 2 or 3
- Which chair do you currently sit in? _____
- What changes do you need to make to move to the first chair? _____

Chairs Simplified

- 1st Chair — Jesus is CENTER
- 2nd Chair — Jesus is first
- 3rd Chair — Jesus is rejected

Revelation 3:15-16 & 3:20-21 *"I know all the things you do, that you are neither hot nor cold. I wish you were one or the other! But since you are lukewarm water, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth! ... Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends. Those who are victorious will sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat with my Father on His throne."*

S. (Scripture)

O. (Observation)

A. (Application)

P. (Prayer)

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Life Group Questions Week of 02/8/2026

BIG IDEA: Deliberately make Jesus the **CENTER** of your whole life.

ICE BREAKERS

1. What was your favorite Super Bowl commercial or favorite part of the big game?
2. Brainstorm together as many things as you can that are great, whether they are hot or cold.
3. Three chairs were talked about in this Sunday's message. Discuss opinions as to which chair(s) get told "Well done, good and faithful servant" by Jesus and thus enter Heaven.

ACADEMIC QUESTIONS

1. Trent talked about the difference between making Jesus the **center** of your life compared to making Him **first** in your life. Discuss and attain crystal clarity on each.
2. Read **Matthew 24:36-51**. Differentiate as we read which of the 3 chairs each person(s) referenced is likely to have sat in.
3. Read **Matthew 25:1-13**, and discuss what Chairs the different bridesmaids sat in. Do the same with the 3 servants in **Matthew 25:14-30**. (If time permits, finish reading Matthew 25 and discuss anything that comes to mind as a group.)

PERSONAL CONNECTION & DISCUSSION

1. The passages in Matthew we just read together have a heaviness and seriousness. Discuss the difference between feeling guilty and feeling convicted.
2. Is anyone feeling overwhelmed by the passage we just read? Discuss amongst yourselves whether Jesus asks too much of us. Is there anything Jesus teaches or commands that is too much for us to honor and obey?

GUIDING VERSE REFLECTION

Matthew 11:28-30 (NLT) “Jesus said, ‘Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy to bear and the burden I give you is light.’”

APPLICATION

Is anyone in the group willing to read their recent S.O.A.P. journaling with us? (Sometimes we all benefit from hearing how someone else does something.)

Trent taught the S.O.A.P. method at the end of the message. Discuss how journaling through this method is helpful to you. If you don't use the SOAP method, then what do you do to spend time with Jesus, and how do you take your burdens and thankfulness to Him?

Is there anyone in your lines of sight or circles of influence that has only you to introduce Jesus to them? Pray, think, and prepare for a way to encounter these people and help them become disciples of Jesus.

CLOSING PRAYER

Pray for each other's prayer requests. Also, pray for one another to grow in your understanding of the simplicity of the Bible, in your desire to spend more time reading and applying it to your lives, and in your willingness to go out into the world making disciples of people. Pray that each person in the group chooses to do all that is necessary to ensure they are a 1st-Chair follower of Jesus.