



April 19, 2026

# Grace

## Scripture

- 1 “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard.
- 2 After agreeing with the workers on one denarius, he sent them into his vineyard for the day.
- 3 When he went out about nine in the morning, he saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing.
- 4 He said to them, ‘You also go into my vineyard, and I’ll give you whatever is right.’ So off they went.
- 5 About noon and about three, he went out again and did the same thing.
- 6 Then about five he went and found others standing around and said to them, ‘Why have you been standing here all day doing nothing?’
- 7 “‘Because no one hired us,’ they said to him. “‘You also go into my vineyard,’ he told them.
- 8 When evening came, the owner of the vineyard told his foreman, ‘Call the workers and give them their pay, starting with the last and ending with the first.’
- 9 “When those who were hired about five came, they each received one denarius.
- 10 So when the first ones came, they assumed they would get more, but they also received a denarius each.
- 11 When they received it, they began to complain to the landowner:
- 12 ‘These last men put in one hour, and you made them equal to us who bore the burden of the day’s work and the burning heat.’
- 13 “He replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I’m doing you no wrong. Didn’t you agree with me on a denarius?’
- 14 Take what’s yours and go. I want to give this last man the same as I gave you.
- 15 Don’t I have the right to do what I want with what is mine? Are you jealous because I’m generous?’
- 16 “So the last will be first, and the first last.

Matthew 20:1-16 CSB

## Additional Resources

*Explore the Bible: Matthew 14 - 28, Spring 2026; [Biblegateway.com](http://Biblegateway.com); [preceptaustin.org](http://preceptaustin.org); [Biblehub.com/commentaries](http://Biblehub.com/commentaries); *The New American Commentary, Matthew*, Craig L. Blomberg*





# God's Word - Devoted to Him

## JUDGMENT NOW OR LATER

*So the last shall be first, and the first last.*

*Matthew 20:16*

Only the Word of God can penetrate and judge your motives to understand what you did or did not do for Christ. At the judgment seat of Christ, He will pass you and me through the detector of His Word the way we go through those metal detectors at the airport. If anything is wrong, there will be a beep. Any wrong motive, selfish action, double standard, or whatever will be detected and exposed.

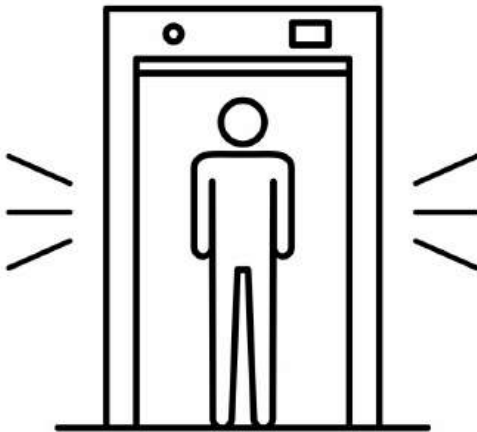
That's why the Bible says that on the day of judgment, "the last shall be first, and the first last" (Matthew 20:16). Many people we admire will be sent to the back of the line. People we don't know will be brought to the front of the line because the Word of God will judge us perfectly.

You say, "Tony, that's going to be tough. What can I do to keep from being sent to the back of the line?" Well, praise God, we don't have to wait until Christ's judgment seat to let the Word penetrate our heart and change us.

In fact, it's better to let the Word judge you now rather than to judge you then (1 Corinthians 11:31). Better to listen to it now than to have to listen to it then. Better to obey now than to lose out then.

But you may come back and say, "Tony, the Word has already penetrated me, and I see my shortcomings. I need help."

You got it. Look at Hebrews 4:12–16. Read these verses for yourself, and you'll see that we have a Great High Priest, the Lord Jesus Christ, who understands you perfectly and stands ready to help you in your time of need.



REFLECTION: Read Hebrews 4:12–16. What is the significance of Christ being our high priest? Have you ever noticed how we are invited to come—boldly? Reread Hebrews 4:12–16 and take Him up on His invitation.

*Your Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path and a guiding star in my darkness. Thank You for the gift of Your Word, which enables me to know You and Your way more fully.*

From: *Life Under God: The Kingdom Agenda*  
Tony Evans

*The problem many of us have is not wanting more  
but wanting more than somebody else.*

*Adrian Rogers*

# DAILY BIBLE STUDY

**SCRIPTURE** - Read the passage of the day

**OBSERVATION** - Write the point of the passage

**APPLICATION** - Ask yourself how this Scripture applies to your life

**PRAYER** - Ask God to help you use this Scripture

## Authority

Main Passage for April 26th – Matthew 21:23-32 CSB

**Monday** - Matthew 21:23-24

**Wednesday** - Matthew 21:28-29

**Friday** - Matthew 21:32

**Tuesday** - Matthew 21:25-27

**Thursday** - Matthew 21:30-31

**Saturday** - Matthew 21:43

Memory Verse: Philippians 2:9

*For this reason God highly exalted him  
and gave him the name that is above every name.*

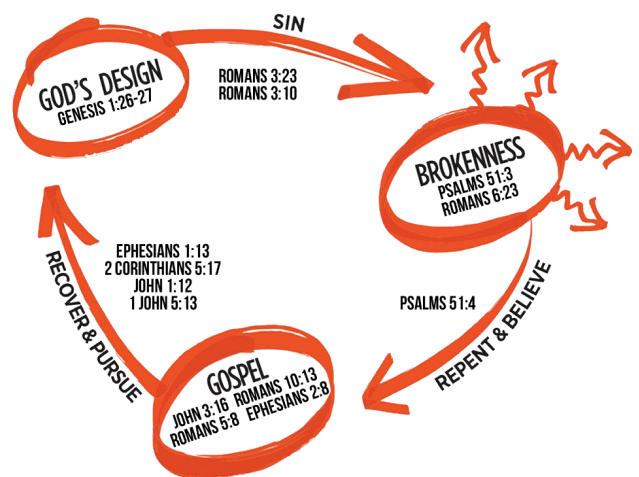
## Mission Statement

Glorifying God by connecting people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ

### Connect Church Prayer Request

WHEN WE FINALLY GET SERIOUS  
ABOUT PRAYER,  
THE TRIGGER IS USUALLY  
DESPERATION, NOT DUTY.

DAVID JEREMIAH





# CONNECT CHURCH

## Attendance & Offering

Attendance - 794

Tithes & Offering - \$ 29,818.21

## Compounding Joy

*The less I spent on myself and the more I gave to others, the fuller of happiness and blessing did my soul become.*  
Hudson Taylor

After searching Scripture and much prayer, I began participating in peaceful, nonviolent rescues at abortion clinics. For this I was arrested and sent to jail. An abortion clinic won a court judgment against a group of us. I told the judge that I would pay anything I owed, but I couldn't hand over money to people who would use it to kill babies. (This was a matter of conscience. Understand that I have never failed to pay other debts, nor do I recommend that others avoid paying them.)

Then I discovered that my church was about to receive a writ of garnishment demanding that they surrender one fourth of my wages each month to the abortion clinic. The church would have to either pay the abortion clinic or defy a court order. To prevent this from happening, I resigned.

I'd already divested myself of book royalties. The only way I could avoid garnishment was to make no more than minimum wage. Fortunately, our family had been living on only a portion of my church salary and we had just made our final house payment, so we were out of debt.

Another court judgment followed, involving another abortion clinic. Though our actions had been nonviolent, the clinic was awarded the largest judgment ever against a group of peaceful protestors: \$8.2 million. This time it seemed likely we would lose our house. By all appearances, and certainly by the world's standards, our lives had taken a devastating turn. Right?

Wrong. It was one of the best things that ever happened to us.

What others intended for evil, God intended for good (Genesis 50:20). We began a new ministry. My wife, Nanci, worked at a secretary's salary, supplementing my minimum wage. Her name alone was on all of our assets, including the house. My inability to legally own assets was nothing I sought after and nothing to be congratulated for, but God used it to help me understand what He means by "Everything under heaven belongs to me" (Job 41:11).

To be continued from...  
*The Treasure Principle*

Text to

**Tithe**

561.705.0539



## Offering

Long before we ever thought of giving to God, God gave to us!



Online Giving  
CAMERA CAPTURE

SCAN THE QR CODE WITH YOUR PHONE



# CONNECT CHURCH



## CONNECTION GROUPS

### SUNDAY

**Parents of Young Children** - 9:00 AM - Marlon Francis:  
m4francis@gmail.com  
**Students** - 9:00 AM - Tristan Nelson: tristan@cc.today  
**Young Adults** - 9:00 AM - Tristan Nelson: tristan@cc.today  
**Adults** - 9:00 AM - Sam Jay: jays717@bellsouth.net  
**Adults** - 10:30 AM - Dr. Janet Plummer: askadminex@gmail.com  
**Adults** - 10:30 AM - Clayton Hutcheson: claybmw@bellsouth.net  
**Men** - 6:00 PM - Mike Herod: mike.a.herod@gmail.com

### MONDAY

**Men** - 7:00 PM - Edgar Gregory: egregoryac@gmail.com

### TUESDAY

**Ladies** - 9:30 AM - Tryna Groat: atgroat619@hotmail.com  
**Men** - 7:00 PM - Chip Hausman: jwmhausman@gmail.com  
and Jim Bass: jlbass1961@gmail.com

## CONNECTION GROUPS

### WEDNESDAY

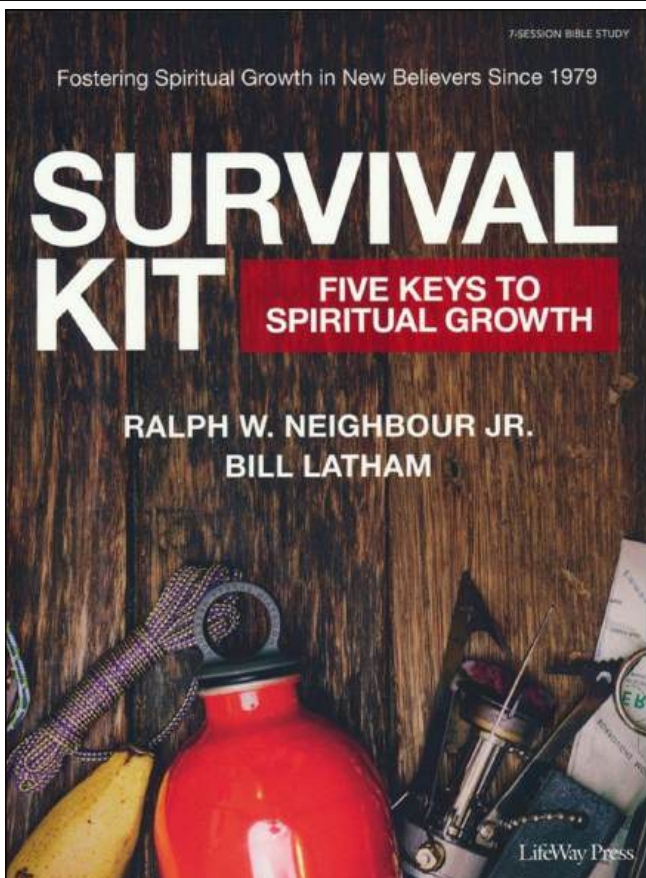
**MomCo** - 9:00 AM - Allie Royal: momco.connect@gmail.com  
**Students** - 6:30 PM - Tristan Nelson: tristan@cc.today  
**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Dale Faircloth: dale@cc.today  
**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Victor Manoharan:  
woodhavenanimalclinic@gmail.com  
**Worship Team** - 7:00 PM - Duval Madrigal:  
duval.madrigal@cc.today  
**Ladies** - 7:00 PM - J. Virginia Murray: jvirginiam@gmail.com  
**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Sam Burton: skburton@bellsouth.net  
**Ladies** - 7:00 PM - Molly Maharaj: merrymolly@rocketmail.com  
**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Ed Samour: ed@ecengineers.com

### THURSDAY

**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Leslie Dakers: ladakes@hotmail.com

### SATURDAY

**Men** - 9:00 AM - Grantley Coulthrust:  
grantley.coulthrust@cc.today  
and Harlan Miller: hmiller@hgpmcorp.com



# EQUIPPING YOUNG BELIEVERS AND PREPARING MATURE BELIEVERS

APRIL 19TH - 9:00 AM  
ROOM 201B



WORKBOOKS AVAILABLE IN THE RESOURCE CENTER  
FOR MORE INFO. - MARLON FRANCIS - MARLON.FRANCIS@CC.TODAY



# CONNECT CHURCH

*Join Us for  
Refreshments on  
the Patio Today!*



*Stay and Visit  
Following  
the Service!*

**Survival Kit - Bible Study**  
*April 19th*

**○ Chicken of Little Faith  
Audition #1**  
*April 19th*

**○ Chicken of Little Faith  
Audition #2**  
*April 22nd*

**Awana - VBS Retro Night**  
*April 22nd*

**Senior Adult Outing**  
*April 25th*

*Scan to Visit  
Connect Church  
Event Page*



a kids' musical

# ○ CHICKEN of LITTLE faith

**SUMMER STAGE SPECTACULAR**  
**Family Meeting and Audition #1**  
**April 19th - 11:45 AM**  
**Children's Department**



**Cost - \$20.00 Per Student**  
**For more info. - [nicole.weber@cc.today](mailto:nicole.weber@cc.today)**



a kids' musical

# CHICKEN of LITTLE faith

**SUMMER STAGE SPECTACULAR**

**Family Meeting and Audition # 2**

**April 22nd - 5:00 PM**

**Children's Department**



**Cost - \$20.00 Per Student**

**For more info. - [nicole.weber@cc.today](mailto:nicole.weber@cc.today)**

# VBS

## Retro Night!

## April 22nd



# Clubbers

**Wear your favorite VBS shirt  
from any past Vacation Bible School year.**



# CONNECT CHURCH

## Senior Adult Outing

Food and Fellowship



**golden  
corral**  
Buffet & Grill

**Golden Corral**  
**April 25th**

**1:00 PM**

**Cost: Individual to Purchase Their Own Meal**



**Ocean Reef Park**

**April 26th**

**2:00 PM**

# Family Beach Day

**CONNECT**  
**KIDS**

For More Info:

[Stacy.gatlin@cc.today](mailto:Stacy.gatlin@cc.today)



# Beach Baptism

April 26th - 4:00 PM

Ocean Reef Park - Riviera Beach

Are you considering Baptism?

Talk with a CC pastor

561-793-2475



# Vacation Bible School

Registration Is Open

Time To Select  
Your Week For VBS

June 15 - 19

June 22-26



Register: [cc.today](http://cc.today)





# Connect Church

**CC GUEST NETWORK**

**FREE WIFI  
AVAILABLE**

**PASSWORD: #Getconnected!**

*Connect Card*  
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*Come & Explore*

*Come & Serve*

*Come & Grow*

*Come & Lead*

## Leadership Team

Dr. Dale R. Faircloth / Elder and Lead Pastor

Dale.Faircloth@cc.today

Marlon Francis / Elder

Clayton Hutcheson / Elder

Victor Manoharan / Elder

Fred Rogers / Elder

Mike Eleveld / Assistant Pastor / Mike.Eleveld@cc.today

Duval Madrigal / Assistant Pastor / Duval.Madrigal@cc.today

Tristan Nelson / Student Pastor / Tristan.Nelson@cc.today

Stacy Gatlin / Kids Ministry Director / Stacy.Gatlin@cc.today

Roquanda Guy / Women's Ministry / Roquanda.Guy@cc.today

Alinda Faircloth / Discipleship Director / Alinda.Faircloth@cc.today

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Judson Leverette / Church Administrator / Accounting@cc.today

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