

Privileged To Serve In Public Worship

Announcements: Seth Bolstad

Scripture Reading: AM- Ray Duncan PM- Nicolas Lowry

Song Leader: Jim Gammon

Opening Prayer: AM- Doug Guinn PM- Robert Osborne

Closing Prayer: AM- Chandler Osborne PM- Landry Gammon

To Serve Communion: Ron Davis Chris Lowry
Lawson Lovelady Terry Littlejohn
John Dyer Jacob Dyer

Sermons: Anthony Scherffius

AM- Parenting Like God - Part 1

PM- Parenting Like God - Part 2

Sound: Alan Haack

Greet Visitors: Chris Lowry

Count Contribution: Colt Rollins Hagen Dyer

Attendance Cards: Brody Lovelady Lucas Thomas

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

Scripture Reading: Kevin McCarley/II Corinthians 1:12-24

Devotional: Tom Trull

Bible Class: Anthony Scherffius

Records for week of February 22, 2026:

Attendance:	Bible Class:	90	Worship PM:	75
	Worship AM:	115	Wed. 2/18:	87

Contribution: \$ 6317



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Tyler Thomas, Tom Trull

Preacher: Anthony Scherffius

Bible Study & Worship

Sundays: Bible Class 9:00am
Worship 10:00am
Worship 5:00pm

Wednesdays: Bible Class 7:00

A DESPISED BIRTHRIGHT

By Anthony Scherffius

In our culture today, when we want something, we want it now. Our country is centered the idea of "How fast can I get it?" We have apps and shops that we can order things from that promise overnight shipping so we do not have to wait. We have hundreds, and even thousands of different restaurants that design their service around "fast food" and slogans like "Have it your way." We have grown impatient and spontaneous in our desires of over time. However, mankind has always been like that. We see it all the way back into Genesis with the two brothers, Jacob and Esau in (Genesis 25:27-34). Upon reaching manhood, Esau sells his birthright for a bowl of stew. A brother in Christ once described this account of Jacob and Esau as "A High Price for a Bowl of Soup."

The text says:

27 When the boys grew up, Esau became a skillful hunter, a man of the field, but Jacob was a peaceful man, living in tents. 28 Now Isaac loved Esau, because he had a taste for game, but Rebekah loved Jacob.

29 When Jacob had cooked stew, Esau came in from the field and he was famished; 30 and Esau said to Jacob, "Please let me have a swallow of that red stuff there, for I am famished."

Therefore his name was called Edom.

31 But Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." 32 Esau said, "Behold, I am about to die; so of what use then is the birthright to me?" 33 And Jacob said, "First swear to me"; so he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. 34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew; and he ate and drank, and rose and went on his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright."

Esau sold his most valuable possession, his birthright, for a bowl of beans! Notice the language he uses to describe his outlook toward his birthright:

1.) *I am about to die*— Esau's thought wasn't that he was so hungry that he would die without food. Instead the idea was, "I will die one day anyway, so what good is this birthright to me?" 2.) *He despised his birthright—Despise:* literally to be contemptible, vile, disdained, careless. Jacob was guilty of scheming in the flesh to gain something God said was already his. Yet we should remember the far greater blame was placed on Esau, who despised his birthright. Esau's character as a fornicator and profane person (according to Hebrews 12:16) shows God was entirely correct in choosing Jacob over Esau to carry on the birthright, even though Jacob was younger.

What can we learn from Esau and his rash decision-making and his unappreciative outlook on his birthright? One thing we can learn from this is even though one may come from a household of godly (not perfect) parents, and you do all you can to teach them the ways of God, mankind still has free will. Just because your child falls into sin and marries the world, this does not mean one failed as a parent. Although Isaac and Rebecca had their moments, they were considered righteous. Another lesson we can learn from Esau is be careful how you look at the birthright you have received as a Christian. God has promised all Christians who are faithful a crown of life (Revelation 2:10), but some give that up for immediate satisfaction; that can include jobs, position, money, people, unscriptural marriages, etc. Jesus says,

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:19-21).

Remember in Prayer

Neely Lovelady is scheduled for surgery on Feb. 27th.

Sharon McMillan is undergoing stress testing. EKG will be 3/6.

Loree Mixon had a good report from her doctor and is no longer required to wear the boot on her foot.

Scott Samford has been ill, but is feeling some better.

Flora Johnson has been moved to hospice care. Please see below for more information.

Chris Calvin, son of Larry Calvin, is undergoing tests to determine the reason for his loss of sight.

Luanne Patterson is scheduled for knee surgery on 4/10.

Roger Elam will see a specialist in San Antonio soon about his eye infection.

Louis Thomas is still dealing with a foot wound from November but is slowly improving.

Remember Also:

Melva McManus,
Archie & Nancy Underwood,
Joy Tull, Judy Mitchell,
Samuel & Diana Ramirez,
Steven Coats, Donna Roberts,
Kerry & Teri Clark,
Branden Skinner, Jimmie Ivey,
Lee Wright, Hayden Gammon

Flora Johnson
Methodis Dallas Medical Center
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1441 N. Beckley Ave.
Schenkel Tower, 5th Floor
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In Sympathy

Rachelle Gammon's aunt, Marcia Gerrity, passed away. Services planned for 2/26.

IMPORTANT DATES

February 26- NH Birthday Party/2:00
March 8- NH Worship Svc./2:00
March 15- Elder/Deacon Mtg./4:00
March 26- NH Birthday Party/2:00
March 29- Potluck Luncheon
March 29- 5th Sunday Question & Answers/PM Service

If you would like to host a get-together for the youth, please see Jim Gammon.

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Please join us for a wedding shower for Gracie Dobbs & Colt Rollins



February 28th 10:00-12:00
Mabank church of Christ
Registered at Amazon & Target

HOUSEWARMING
for Nick Carano
February 28th 12:00-2:00
6142 Inca Dr. Mabank, TX 75147
Registered at Amazon

March/April
Nursing Home Birthday Party
& Food Committee

*Luanne Patterson
*Bobbi Guinn
Whitney Osborne
Cara Dyer
Magen Marcum
Sharon McMillan
Yvonne Nelon

Please pick up an **EDITED March calendar** in the information room.