

## Sermon Series: Reactions to Jesus' Coming

### "Christmas 365 Days A Year"

John 17:15-18, Matthew 16:24-26

1. To follow Jesus, we are to be in the world, but not \_\_\_\_\_

2. To follow Jesus, we are to \_\_\_\_\_

3. To follow Jesus, we are to \_\_\_\_\_

4. To follow Jesus, we are to \_\_\_\_\_

### Family Sunday



Check in your babies - Kindergarten before Worship beginning at 10:30am. They will receive a name tag and you will receive a guardian tag. Hold on to your guardian tag for pickup time. 1st-6th Grade will join their family for worship for the full service.

Newborn to 23 months (Room C116)  
3-5 year olds (Room C112)

2 year olds (Room C114)  
1st - 6th grade (Room C108)

### First Steps

Membership is open to anyone who has 1) placed their faith in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and 2) has been baptized by immersion by a body of believers of like faith and practice.

We will be happy to assist you with these spiritual decisions.

Text FIRST to (409) 215-0332 to be contacted

or meet one of our Ministers at the First Steps Room, after the service to discuss your spiritual decision.



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## Pursuing Christ FIRST in Life, Love and Actions

December 27, 2020



Song: Build Your Kingdom Here  
Artist: Rend Collective



Song: He Has Come For Us  
Artist: Meredith Andrews



Song: What Child Is This?  
Artist: Various Artist



Song: O Come All Ye Faithful  
Artist: Variouys Artist



Song: Christ Be All Around Me  
Artist: Michael W. Smith



Song: Light Of The World  
Artist: Matt Redman

Message

Dr. Robert Miller

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Deacon of the Week

Ben Breedlove

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## This Week @ FBCTC

December 27 - January 2

### Sunday

7:45am TechCrew  
 8:00am Worship Rehearsal  
 9:30am Bible Study  
 10:45am Worship Service

### Monday-Thursday

Offices are closed for the Holiday

### Friday



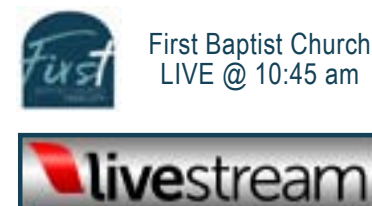
### Coffee with the Pastor Will Resume January 4th, 2021

Monday - Friday live @ 8:00am on our Facebook page. Check out the event on fbctc.com for the blog and Youtube links.

### Ministry Staff

Dr. Robert R. Miller, Pastor  
 John Talley, Associate Pastor, Worship & Administration  
 Dennis Johns, Associate Pastor, Families  
 Meschel Hara, Children's Minister

Scan the QR code to access our livestream



Worship services are streamed live on the internet each week from our website [www.fbctc.com](http://www.fbctc.com). Recent services are also available short term. Click on the livestream.

## A Message from Robert Miller

### Good-bye 2020!!!

2020 has been a forgettable year that we will never forget. Millions getting sick and dying throughout the world. The entire country was shut down, including churches, for months. I watched people in our area and the country lose jobs, businesses, and hope.

2020 has been difficult for me. I lost my brother, I lost some really good friends to Co-vid, and I watched church members have to struggle and go through sickness and death; and I, their pastor, wasn't allowed to visit them in the hospital. It has been the weirdest year ever being a pastor. I could not see sick folks, I preached to empty seats, and our church had to conduct business meetings through email. I dislike doing church like we have had to do. But God has been good, and we see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Though 2020 hasn't been easy or useful, I have to admit some good things I am taking from 2020. Let me look at the bright side of an ugly year.

First, it has helped us all to consider what is most important in life—getting together with others in family gatherings, worshipping with our church family, and appreciating our jobs, grocery shopping, and eating out.

Second, I now realize that all of us are essential, and all our jobs are crucial. Who knew grocery clerks, farmers, and truck drivers were essential? They always were, but now we know it.

Third, who knew that so many folks would watch worship and teaching on Livestream? We now have more views for our Sunday morning worship than we had physically attending worship before. Our congregation, when we count those on Livestream, has doubled. Speaking of essential workers, I appreciate all our tech folks and especially our Livestream folks that volunteer to provide worship every Sunday. My Coffee with the Pastor, a short daily devotional teaching, has more viewing than we have in attendance at Sunday School on Sundays. Without the shut-down, we would not have known about this powerful outreach tool.

Fourth, I have learned not to be in such a hurry all the time. Dallas Willard once said, "ruthlessly eliminate hurry from your life." For some strange reason, my pace has slowed during the pandemic. I hope to continue this pace after the pandemic is over.

Fifth, I have learned to appreciate our church members more. During the shut-down, our members stepped up and continued to give faithfully. Also, many of our membership has not been able to return physically to church. I miss them a lot! 2021 has to be better!!! Bring on a New Year!

By the way, Happy New Year!

### Financial gifts for December 20, 2020

	Week	To Date
Financial Plan	20,392.40	774,911.10
Financial Receipt	22,518.63	713,316.20
World Missions	150.00	6,652.00
Glass Memorial Baptistry	50.00	151,410.11
Finishing the Task	26,020.00	553,544.63



Collide is new to FBCTC. It is a Student Discipleship Weekend

designed for all

7th-12th graders and will be held on the campus of Bay Area Church.

January 15-17, 2021

Register online @fbctc.com \$50



### Coming in 2021

VBS/Sports Camp	Camp Sonshine
June 14-17	July 5-9
4yrs-6th grade	1st-6th grade
Preteen Camp	Youth Camp
June 23-26	July 19-22
3rd-6th grade	7th-12th grade



Listen to our worship songs in Spotify. Simply download the Spotify app or browse to it on your computer and search for FBCTC Worship Playlist