

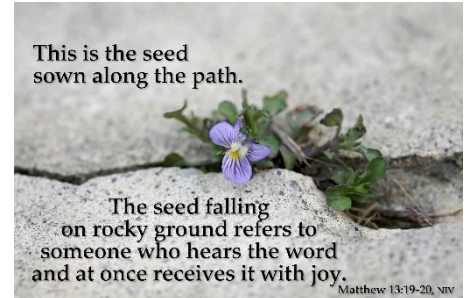


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As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. - Matthew 13:23 (ESV)

Dr. Bryan's Sunday Message
Listen Up! Series
The Seed, The Sower & The Soil
Matthew 13:1-23



We invite you to join Dr. Bryan at 11:00 Sunday morning as he brings this message online and also for Bible Study online on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. You can watch the messages on our Website at this link - www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/sermons-and-bible-studies - or on our Facebook page - www.facebook.com/HillcrestBaptistChurchAugusta. **You also have the option to listen to Sunday and Wednesday messages by phone. If you wish to use this option, please call this number - 706-230-6070 - a minute or so before 11:00 a.m. on Sunday and 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday. Please mute your phone and wait for the message to begin.**

We hope you have had a good week. Please let us know if we can help you by sending us an email message to hillcrestbaptist@comcast.net. You may also call the church office at 706.793.3104 and leave us a voice mail message. Someone will respond to your request very soon.



Office Hours during the Pandemic

The church office continues to be closed. Our office staff are working virtually, phone calls are transferred so they can be addressed, and any financial needs are also being addressed. Someone checks the mail daily to ensure any and all tithe checks or other critical mail is handled. Please continue to mail your tithes if that is your best way to submit them; if you prefer, you can tithe online at the Hillcrest Baptist Church website.

Stay well, stay safe, and we look forward to the day we are all together in worship!



Wednesday Evening Bible Study in the Church Parking Lot.

On Wednesday Evening, May 13, we will have a "Drive-In Wednesday Bible Study" at 6:30 p.m. in the large church parking lot near the side door of the Sanctuary. Cars will be parked in alternating spaces, and you must remain inside your car for the entire session. The church will be closed, and restroom facilities will not be accessible.

Giving Your Tithes and Offerings

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving your tithes and offerings. Please continue to give by mailing your offering to the church, or donating online on our Website at www.hillcrestbaptistaugusta.org/give.

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions



When Annie was raising awareness for support of missions and asking for funds, she refused a salary because, as she said, she would never give to the Lord "that which costs me nothing", quoting a portion of the passage from 2 Samuel 24:24. Our government has provided extra funds for most individuals during this pandemic. Might you consider giving a portion of your funds which are extra income over and above your needs to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering?

They will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others.
- 2 Corinthians 9:13 (ESV)

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Update



Our Goal: \$3,500 Received: \$1,900

- [Annie Armstrong Information](#)
- [Annie Armstrong Biographical Video](#)

(information and graphics from the North American Mission Board)

Sermon Notes for Sunday, May 3, 2020

Listen Up! Series

The Seed, The Sower & The Soil - Matthew 13:1-23

1. **The Seed is the Word of God.**

- Hebrews 4:12
- To win souls (Romans 1:13)
- To seek holiness (Romans 6:22)
- To be strong in our praise & witness (Hebrews 13:15)

2. **The Sower is the sharer of the Word.**

- In person
- In partnership
- With patience

3. **The Soil represents the human heart.**

- A hard heart (v. 19) (Hosea 10:12)
- A shallow heart (vv. 20-21)
- A crowded heart (v.22)
- A fruitful heart (v.23)

4. **The Secret of a fruitful heart is a listening ear.**

- Matthew 13:19
- Mark 4:24
- Luke 8:18

Are you a faithful sower?

What's the condition of your soil?

Are you bearing much spiritual fruit?

G-R-O-W:

G ET with God

R EACH out to others

O WN your actions

W ORK with a purpose