

1. Share a time you experienced a defining moment, a decision that changed the course of your life. What consequences and impact did you experience as a result? What did you learn? What would you have done (or did you do) differently?

2. Read **Matthew 7:13-23**

Jesus lays out some difficult teachings in this passage as the climax of what He's been teaching up to this point. What is one thing that sticks out to you in these verses?

How can you know if you are walking on the wide path or the narrow one? Is the choice between the wide and narrow paths a one-time decision, or do you need to choose between them on multiple occasions? Why?

Based on what you hear Jesus say, is the path to eternal life truly narrow? What does that mean? Can you be a true Kingdom Person and believe that there are many ways to God?

True teachers and false teachers will both use Scripture. So, how can the church know which teachings are true and which are false? Why are false teachings so convincing at times?

What false teachings are popular today that the church needs to be aware of? What steps can the church take to protect itself against false teachers and teaching?

If not everyone who says they know Jesus is in fact known by Jesus, how can you know for certain that Jesus knows you? How can the church help make sure each person genuinely knows Jesus as their Savior and Lord?

Why is it important that we call people to trust Jesus as Savior AND follow Him as Lord? What does that mean? What does that look like in our lives?

3. What needs to change in your life, today, to align with Jesus' teachings? How will you allow the Lord to change you, and walk in His power for His transformation in your life?



CURRENT SERIES



**NEW TO NORTHAMPTON**  
We're glad you're here! Take a moment to fill-out a Connection Card and let us know more about you! If you have children or teens, we have great, safe options for Children's & Student Ministry! Complete info can be found at: [www.NBChurchCF.org!](http://www.NBChurchCF.org)

**MESSAGE SERIES**

**TODAY'S MESSAGE:**  
**SERMON ON THE MOUNT**  
*Jesus & Eternal Choices | Matthew 7:13-23*

**NEXT WEEK:**  
**SERMON ON THE MOUNT**  
*Jesus & Being Wise | Matthew 7:24-29*

**WORSHIP ORDER**

HOUSE OF THE LORD

**WELCOME**

CORNERSTONE

THRONE ROOM SONG

**CLASSES & LIFE GROUPS**

**Sundays**  
**Romans Study**  
Room 201 | 9:15am

**Thursday 7:00pm**  
**Men's Bible Study**  
*Various Times & Days*  
**LIFE Groups**  
**Real-Life Discipleship**  
**Bible Studies**

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**OFFERING, SCRIPTURE & PRAYER**

**NOTE:** IF YOU FEEL LED TO GIVE THIS MORNING, YOU CAN DO SO: (1) THROUGH THE CHURCH CENTER APP, (2) BY TEXTING THE \$\$ AMOUNT TO 84321 OR (3) DROPPING IT IN THE OFFERING BOX IN THE LOBBY!

**MESSAGE**

HYMN OF HEAVEN

**NEXT STEPS**

**Baptism 101 Class** - August 28 @ 9:30am  
**Member Interviews** - September 4 @ 12:30pm  
Sign-up in the **App** or at [www.NBChurchCF.org!](http://www.NBChurchCF.org)

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# UPCOMING AT NORTHAMPTON

## **WELCOME TO NORTHAMPTON!**

We're glad you've decided to join us online or in-person! We want you to know that you are welcome here! Please take the time to fill out our online Connection Card and download the Church Center App to stay connected! Thanks for joining in!

## **KIDSTOWN**

Kids aged 4 years old - 5th grade, come join us Wednesday evenings at **KidsTown** starting **September 7 from 6:00-7:30pm** as we explore Gods Word, play games, craft and have a great time together. For additional information please contact Kellie Sturm at 915-861-2232 or stop by the children's check in desk.

## **BLESSING BAGS PACKS**

We have Neighborhood Packs to help you to connect with your neighbors! We plan to collect supplies all through the month of August! Don't forget, all items are due back to the church **TODAY!**

## **YOUNG ADULT LIFE GROUP**

A new Young Adult LIFE Group is forming now! If you're interested in more information and/or joining, check out the website or the Church Center App!

## **DRIVE-THRU DONUTS**

Beginning **THIS WEDNESDAY, August 31**, and then each Wednesday in September, we will be handing out **FREE** donuts and coffee from 7:00-8:30am! If you're part of the Donut Crew, please try to **arrive by 6am** (or as early as you can) to help setup!

We will also be collecting board books, bottles and bibs for Akron Pregnancy Services! If you'd like to help as part of the Donut Crew, **please sign-up in the app or on the website!**

## **BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP**

If you are interested in being baptized or received in to membership, sign-up in the app or on the website!

**Member Interviews will be on Sunday, September 4 after church.**

Interviews can be scheduled for other times as needed.

Baptism and member reception will be part of the Worship Service on **September 11.**

# MESSAGE NOTES

PASTOR JOE PRYOR

## **THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT - WEEK 16**

Jesus & Eternal Choices | Matthew 7:13-23

"Enter through the narrow gate..."

Jesus - Matthew 7:13a

## **YOU HAVE ETERNAL CHOICES TO MAKE...**

1. Will you choose the \_\_\_\_\_ gate that leads to life or the \_\_\_\_\_ gate that leads to destruction? Matthew 7:13-14

2. Will you choose the \_\_\_\_\_ tree that produces good fruit, or the \_\_\_\_\_ tree that produces bad fruit? Matthew 7:15-20

3. Will you choose a \_\_\_\_\_ faith & obedience, or \_\_\_\_\_ faith and disobedience? Matthew 7:21-23