

WELCOME TO SOUTHEAST

Welcome to Southeast Christian Church. We are a church full of people who are either growing in our faith or are just beginning to ask questions about God. Our desire is to start, grow, and love together as a community of imperfect people.

GET CONNECTED

God created us for community. If you are interested in serving, participating in a small group, or would like more information about an upcoming event, stop by the Connections Studio. It is located just inside the main entrance and is open Sunday mornings before, during, and after services. You may also send an email to connect@southeastcc.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Visit the website or stop by the Connections Studio in the lobby for more information.

Weekly Support Groups
southeastcc.org/support-groups

August 12 | Support: Chronic Pain
southeastcc.org/support-groups

August 12 | HS: City Youth Group Kickoff
southeastcc.org/students

August 14 | MS: City Youth Group Kickoff
southeastcc.org/students

August 17 | Men: Breakfast
southeastcc.org/men

August 18 | Support: Widows Walking Together
southeastcc.org/support-groups

August 19 | Support: Breast Cancer
southeastcc.org/support-groups

August 28 or 29 | Class: Experiencing God
southeastcc.org/experiencing-god

August 28 | Worship: Choir Newbie Night
southeastcc.org/worship

September 3 | Women: The Vine
southeastcc.org/women

September 8 | Infants: Baby Dedication Class
southeastcc.org/family

NOTES: THE PARABLE OF THE MUSTARD SEED

Matthew 13:31-32 English Standard Version (ESV)

He put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

Ezekiel 14:1-8 English Standard Version (ESV)

Then certain of the elders of Israel came to me and sat before me. And the word of the Lord came to me: "Son of man, these men have taken their idols into their hearts, and set the stumbling block of their iniquity before their faces. Should I indeed let myself be consulted by them? Therefore speak to them and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Any one of the house of Israel who takes his idols into his heart and sets the stumbling block of his iniquity before his face, and yet comes to the prophet, I the Lord will answer him as he comes with the multitude of his idols, that I may lay hold of the hearts of the house of Israel, who are all estranged from me through their idols.

"Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: Repent and turn away from your idols, and turn away your faces from all your abominations. For any one of the house of Israel, or of the strangers who sojourn in Israel, who separates himself from me, taking his idols into his heart and putting the stumbling block of his iniquity before his face, and yet comes to a prophet to consult me through him, I the Lord will answer him myself. And I will set my face against that man; I will make him a sign and a byword and cut him off from the midst of my people, and you shall know that I am the Lord.

Ezekiel 17:11-15 English Standard Version (ESV)

Then the word of the Lord came to me: "Say now to the rebellious house, Do you not know what these things mean? Tell them, behold, the king of Babylon came to Jerusalem, and took her king and her princes and brought them to him to Babylon. And he took one of the royal offspring and made a covenant with him, putting him under oath (the chief men of the land he had taken away), that the kingdom might be humble and not lift itself up, and keep his covenant that it might stand. But he rebelled against him by sending his ambassadors to Egypt, that they might give him horses and a large army. Will he thrive? Can one escape who does such things? Can he break the covenant and yet escape?"

Ezekiel 17:22-24 ESV

Thus says the Lord God: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it."

IMPLICATIONS

1. When the Kingdom of God acts like the Kingdom of God, everyone receives the blessing from it.
2. The hardest part of receiving the blessing of God is living in it well.

Luke 12:48b English Standard Version (ESV)

Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more.