



# MOUNTAINS, VALLEYS and CAVES

sermon series

**Sunday, January 23, 2022**

This week we survey the Book of Numbers, ending with the selection of Joshua as Moses' successor. Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt, but they did not go immediately into the Promised Land. Instead, their lack of faith resulted in constant complaint and mistrust of the Lord and His leader. The people had a once-in-a-lifetime chance to enter the Promised Land, but they sided with the negative report of the ten spies. They believed they were unable to overcome their adversaries. They entered a desolated area. The wilderness was not the destination; it was supposed to be a temporary place. They entered a "neutral zone" to determine their future.

The Lord gave His people all they needed to succeed, including the Mosaic Law at Mount Sinai. Moses took the Israelites out of Egypt but had a hard time taking Egypt out of the Israelites. That entire generation, except Joshua and Caleb, had to die before they could enter their destination.

Numbers 20 tells us that Moses lost his trusted confidantes, his sister, Miriam, and his brother, Aaron, but also lost his temper. He struck the rock instead of speaking to it.

Moses looked over the Dead Sea from Mount Nebo to see the Promised Land, though he did not get to enter. On the one hand, he had a lifetime of memories and a glimpse of the future of the Israelites. On the other hand, he had to contemplate his personal loss and his own mortality. Moses experienced mountains, valleys and caves.



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# APPLICATION:

Our theme this week is about dealing with **disappointment**. The postscript about Moses (verses 9-12) tells us there was no one else like him, but even he experienced loss and sadness. Having unfinished business or not getting to cross the finish line is discouraging. When we do not handle the neutral zone well, we can become stuck there. We don't like to think about our own mortality, yet death is 100% certain. What have been major disappointments in your life? What are you struggling with now? Who do you know who is going through a discouraging time? What can you do to help? What hope do you gain from this text?



## MESSAGE

Deuteronomy 34:1-8

Senior Pastor  
Tom Harrison

## SCRIPTURE READINGS:

DAVID IN THE VALLEY OF ELAH

JAN. 24

JAN. 25

JAN. 26

JAN. 27

JAN. 28

JAN. 29

1 Samuel 17:1-11

1 Samuel 17:12-30

1 Samuel 17:31-54

1 Samuel 8-9

1 Samuel 10-11

1 Samuel 15-16

## WAYS TO GIVE:



**Electronic Giving**  
[myasburytulsa.org](http://myasburytulsa.org)

**Online Bill Pay**  
Name and address on the check



**Mobile:**  
Text the word "asburygive" to 73256



**Cash or Check:**  
Offering box or any time in the main office or the South Guest Services Desk.

## PREVIOUS WEEK'S GIVING:

**WEEKLY GIVING:**

\$134,574

**YTD GIVING BUDGET:**

\$382,837

**YTD GIVING ACTUAL:**

\$304,151

# SUNDAY MORNING



9:30 & 11 am



9:30 am  
Asbury Students Center



8, 9:30 & 11 am  
Check [asburytulsa.org/communities](http://asburytulsa.org/communities) for full listing



## FIRST TIME GUESTS

Please stop by any  
Guest Services Desk  
for a special gift.

**EVENTS**  
Next Steps

## NEWCOMER MEAL

with Senior Pastor Tom Harrison

**TODAY | 12:15 pm**

*An introduction to our mission, sacraments and membership vows.*

Register at [asburytulsa.org/newcomermeal](http://asburytulsa.org/newcomermeal)



# FINANCIAL PEACE *University*

**JOIN THE MILLIONS WHO  
NEVER WORRY ABOUT MONEY**

\$60 for a 3-month membership  
*(workbook included)*

\$100 for a 6-month membership  
*(workbook included)*

\$130 for a 12-month membership *(workbook  
included)*

## **Sunday Mornings:**

9:30 am | January 30  
[fpu.com/1143653](http://fpu.com/1143653)

## **Wednesday Evenings:**

6:15 pm | January 26  
[fpu.com/1143654](http://fpu.com/1143654)

**Stop by the CLC Desk for more information.**



# ASBURY STUDENTS

## SPRING BREAK MISSIONS

# 2022 GOAL: \$75,000

## We need your support!

Each year Asbury Students sends hundreds of students and leaders across the U.S. on Spring Break Missions. Students look forward to this celebrated tradition every year. Our goal for 2022 is to raise \$75,000. This money helps subsidize the cost for our participants and building supplies and helps fund other student missions and ministry opportunities locally and globally throughout the rest of the year.

Together we can send our students out to Help Others Follow Jesus.

## A few ways to give:

- White envelopes are in the pews. Please place your donation in the envelope and place in the offering box on Sunday mornings.
- Go to [myasburytulsa.org](http://myasburytulsa.org) and select **youth missions stock**
- Text ASBURYGIVE SBM to 73256 using your text messaging. Standard text messaging rates may apply.
- Write a check and in the memo line, please put **“youth missions stock”** and place your donation in the offering box on Sunday morning, main office during the week or mail to:

Asbury  
6767 S. Mingo Road  
Tulsa, OK 74133





**ASBURY  
Kids**



**ASBURY  
STUDENTS**



Feed yourself physically and spiritually

# WEDNESDAYS

[asburytulsa.org/wednesdays](http://asburytulsa.org/wednesdays)

at ASBURY

Becoming a strong disciple means learning Scripture and applying it to your everyday life. We will be offering a wide variety of learning opportunities for the whole family. Or do you sing? Play an instrument? Experiencing or joining one of Asbury's choir, orchestra or music teams is something you don't want to miss.



## Dinner

Start the evening off with a home-cooked meal



## Asbury Students Mid-Week

6:30-8 pm



## Mid-Week Classes

Sign up now!



## Choir & Orchestra

## Children's Choir



## AsburyKids Wednesday Night Live

6:30-8 pm



## Wednesday Night Greeting Team

# PHOTOS FOR CHURCH DIRECTORY



- We will be taking pictures on Sundays ONLY.
- If you have questions, please contact Michelle Rafferty at 918.392.1122 or [mrafferty@asburytulsa.org](mailto:mrafferty@asburytulsa.org) or visit [asburytulsa.org/photosignup](http://asburytulsa.org/photosignup) to sign up for an appointment. February 27 is the last day to have your photo taken.



## KIDS NIGHT OUT

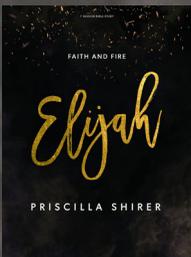
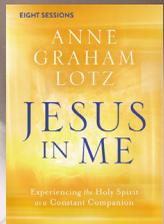
January 28 | 6 pm

Register at [asburytulsa.org/kno](http://asburytulsa.org/kno)

## SPRING (MID-WEEK) DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES



Mothers Fellowship



Mining for Gold:  
Seeing the Treasure  
in Biblical Texts

Releasing  
Purpose:  
**CLARITY**

THE WAY

**ROMANS**  
PART 3  
THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD  
AND FREE WILL OF MAN

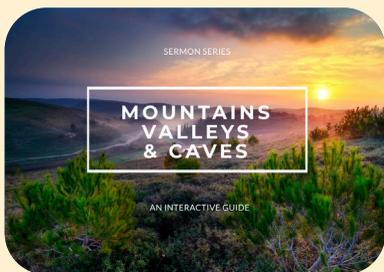
REGISTER: [asburytulsa.org/classes](http://asburytulsa.org/classes)



# KINGDOM KEYS and Friends Concert

Sunday, February 6, 6pm | Sanctuary

Come join us for an evening of praise featuring Kingdom Keys, Asbury's own four-piano ensemble.



**SERMON JOURNAL  
AND INTERACTIVE GUIDE**  
[asburytulsa.app/interactive](https://asburytulsa.app/interactive)

**EVENTS**  
Women's

**WOMEN'S**

SWEETHEART  
**BUNCO**

Thursday, **February 3** | 6:30 pm | CLC

Register at [asburytulsa.org/bunco](https://asburytulsa.org/bunco)

# THE WAY

*"I am the way, and the truth, and the life."*

**This famous saying of Jesus means that the message of Jesus is tied up in the Person of Jesus. He didn't just teach us about God; He showed us God in the flesh because He was and is God. And Jesus' message about Himself has consequences for every area of life.**

**"The Way" is a teaching series all about Jesus. It is the perfect series to invite a friend who is curious about following Jesus, or who hasn't been to church in a while. And for long-time Christians it will refresh your spirit. You will receive high-quality pastoral teaching each week, plus a testimony from someone who has experienced a saving relationship with Jesus Christ. We will worship God together in song and celebrate Holy Communion. Our focus will be the Gospel (God's gift for us) and the Way of Salvation (how we receive that gift). Don't miss this year's big Spring Teaching series!**

*Class Teacher*  
James Lambert  
Pastor of Adult Discipleship

[asburytulsa.org/theway](http://asburytulsa.org/theway)

Wednesday, January 12 - April 27  
6:30 - 8 pm

