

## UNSTOPPABLE GOSPEL: HIS WAYS ARE HIGHER

Nov 22, 2015 • Pastor Gregg Matte • Isaiah 55:6–13 (p. 476 in HCSB provided)

### DIFFERENCEMAKER DECLARATION

*I was made for more than watching.*

*I have a history-changing, difference-making, life-giving, Spirit-empowered legacy to leave.*

*Jesus, I ask You to work deeply in me and clearly through me as I pray, give, and go in Your love.*

*I am a differencemaker.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen!*

### Two things to look for in Bible Study:

- Biblical Context – Babylonian captivity is coming, but be encouraged because God is still in control.
- Personal Application – God is in control when we don't understand.

▶ God's will can be \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_.

- He is higher. What does this mean?

– Greater in \_\_\_\_\_

– \_\_\_\_\_ in scope

– \_\_\_\_\_ in perspective

▶ God always \_\_\_\_\_ His  
\_\_\_\_\_.

## BE A DIFFERENCEMAKER

Three ways to be a differencemaker this Thanksgiving, courtesy of Logan Gentry, Executive Pastor at Apostles Church in NYC:

1. **Share what you are thankful for.** Telling what God has done brings Him glory and encourages others.
2. **Invite others to your table.** Some people don't have close family. Ask them to join you this Thanksgiving.
3. **Serve and pray for others.** Find a way to meet the needs of others and pray for them in the process.

Share your stories at [HoustonsFirst.org/MyStory](http://HoustonsFirst.org/MyStory) and on social media with **#diffmakers**.

# WEEK AT A GLANCE

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Visit [HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer](http://HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer) for details about the following opportunities and nearly 100 other ways you can serve His Kingdom.

### WOMEN'S MENTORS

#### Women's Ministry

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### FOOD PANTRY/CLOTHES CLOSET TEAM

#### Faith Center

Claudia.Reyes@HoustonsFirst.org

### HOSPITALITY TEAM

#### Hunt Retreat

Bill.Murrell@HoustonsFirst.org

### THRU THE ROOF TEAM

#### First Kids

Denise.Briley@HoustonsFirst.org

### HOMEBOUND CARE TEAM

#### Pastoral Care

Denise.Munton@HoustonsFirst.org

### STAR OF HOPE

#### Local Missions

Jerrell.Altic@HoustonsFirst.org

## ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES

During worship services at The Loop Campus, complimentary devices may be checked out from the Receptionist Desk in the Main Foyer.



### MOBILE GIVING

Share your generosity with Houston's First via your mobile device! Text "HFBCLoop" to 77977 to receive a link where you can make a one-time donation or establish recurring giving. Donations

can be made to the following:

- Great Commission Budget
- Local Missions
- Benevolence
- Unstoppable Gospel: The Offering (also known as the World Mission Offering)

## DECISIONS NOV 15, 2015

### Baptized

Audrey Venghaus

### For Baptism

Sammy Binford

Joseph Charles

Matt Fass

Francis Kelske

Martha Kelske

Matthew Maddox

Wilson Murray

Daisy Ontiveras

### From Other Fellowships

Michael Baker

Teri Baker

Victoria Blocker

Don Bolin

Jeannie Bolin

Cat Bouch

Beau Brehm

Callen Brehm

Angela Davis

Paul Davis

Cassidy DeHaan

Sarah Hodge

Sloane Meadows

Laura Paik

Larry Rucker

Leslie Rucker

William Stanton

Deanna Turton

### Statement

Shaelynn Enquist

Cindy Martinez

Tiffany Sammis

## SYMPATHIES

- Jim & Gerry Maddox in the loss of their granddaughter, Jessica Renee Robertson.
- Blayton & Jaclyn Peschke in the loss of his grandmother, Albina Peschke.

## ATTENDANCE NOV 15, 2015

Life Bible Study (all campuses)	4,915
Mission Bible Study	145
MidLink (The Loop)	1,324
Weekday Milestones	418
<b>Total Bible Study</b>	<b>6,802</b>

## Generosity

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Week ending Nov 15, 2015	
First-time givers	17
Total number of givers	847
<b>Great Commission Giving total</b>	<b>\$445,731</b>

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