



**Hawick  
Baptist  
Church**

**15 MAR  
2026**

*But let your 'yes' mean 'yes,' and your 'no' mean 'no.' Anything more than this is from the evil one.*

*Matthew 5:37*

## **TODAY'S SONGS**

Here is Love, Vast as the Ocean  
How Firm a Foundation  
Speak, O Lord  
great is Thy Faithfulness  
All Glory be to Christ

**BIBLE READING** – Hosea 2:14–23 (Page 798)

**SERMON** – Matthew 5:31–37 (Page 859 ) | Dan Boshoff

**NEXT WEEK** – Mark 4–5 | Graham Shearer

## **PRAYER POINTS**

- Praise God for his forgiving faithfulness to us in Christ and his total trustworthiness.
- Pray that HBC would be a church with marriages marked by faithfulness and lives marked by trustworthiness.
- Pray for those in our congregation for whom divorce is a painful reality, that they would know the tender pursuit of a God who never stops loving them.
- Pray that our words would be wholehearted and trustworthy, so that those around us would catch a glimpse of the God who always keeps his word.

## **SPACE FOR YOUR NOTES ON MATTHEW 5:31-37**

### **APPLICATION QUESTIONS**

1. Where this week did your yes not quite mean yes (either by empty promises or half-truths)? What makes honesty feel costly?
2. How does seeing marriage as a picture of God's faithfulness change how you think about your own closest relationships?
3. Why do we find forgiving faithfulness hard sometimes?
4. Read Ephesians 4:15-32 and identify every time Paul calls us to use our speech for the good of others. What would it look like for HBC to be a place where people feel genuinely safe to tell the truth?