

The Years Of Following Jesus #54

January 7, 2023

Welcome Home!
Thanks for joining us today

January 7 & 8, 2023

Greater

Welcome

Not for a Moment

Goodness of God

Lord's Supper Thought

Lord, I Need You

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The Year(s) of Following Jesus #54

- The Worst Case Scenario - Pastor Ed



Good Stuff To Know

Riverside Services Online- If you aren't in town on the weekend, you can still follow our services. We live stream each service on Facebook! You can also watch them anytime through Facebook by navigating over to <https://www.facebook.com/EagleRiverside>. And you don't need a Facebook account to watch the videos.

Offerings To Riverside - In case you were wondering- We don't pass a collection plate at Riverside. If you'd like to give, there are boxes at the back & envelopes in the information racks for cash donations. If you would like the convenience of giving online, go to www.EagleRiverside.com, click on "Give" and follow the directions. Your donations are an answer to our prayers and are the only means by which Riverside is able to operate.

FAQs - Have questions about why we do what we do and why we don't do what we don't do? Chances are you'll find more about it on our FAQs page. You can access the page from our website or text the word "Guest" to 907-312-2662 and you'll receive a link to the page.



Riverside Happenings

First Time Visitors

The Lord's Supper (Communion)

This is a time when we "commune" with God and remember Jesus' sacrifice. We also "commune" with one another as His church family. You are welcome to participate with us by going to one of the tables set up with trays- each cup is actually 2 cups (bread in bottom and juice on top) so grab a set of cups and take it back to your place (and don't forget to social distance). You can eat/drink the cracker and juice whenever you feel ready and then throw the cups away on your way out (there are trash cans at all exits). Everyone is welcome to join us if you're interested in remembering Jesus' life & sacrifice with us.

"Welcome To Riverside" brochure available online.
www.EagleRiverside.com

This Week At Riverside

(Specific info about these activities is listed in the "Happenings" section)

- ➔ Christmas Underrating Wednesday
- ➔ Thrive Thursday
- ➔ Alive Friday
- ➔ Ladies Craft Day Saturday
- ➔ Sign up for Financial Peace University

Need To Talk?...

The church office is not staffed during the week. There is a preschool that uses our building, so Ed, Aniela & Nate work from home. If you would like to contact them directly you can call them or email and set up an appointment.

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Website: www.EagleRiverside.com

Facebook: [EagleRiverside](https://www.facebook.com/EagleRiverside)

Riverside Service Project - This January, start 2023 in a spirit of giving. Do a random act of kindness for someone this month. Love like Jesus!

Christmas UN-Decorating - Help us un-decorate the church this Wednesday at 6pm. No experience required. :) See Ed for details or just show up.

Young Adult Group - ALIVE - Starting back up Fridays @6:30, in the Shack. Bring a dish to pass or come and eat what we have. Ages 18-30. Text the word "alive" to 907.312.2662 or see Cassie.

Ladies Craft Day - Bring your own craft and a dish to share. Saturday, January 14h, 10am-4pm at the church. See Becky 812-449-7004.

Men's Breakfast - Saturday, January 21st at 9am here at the church. If you want to help cook, show up at 8:30. See Ed for details.

Financial Peace University - Let 2023 be the year you get your finances figured out. Sign up for FPU! See Ty or Corina for details.

Baptism - Want to get baptized or have questions? Scan the QR code or go to www.EagleRiverside.com/baptism



Write to our missionaries - Sign a card hanging on the missions bulletin board or write a note. Please check out the communications pamphlet for word substitutions for security. Questions? Text Melissa: 907.632.5499

Upcoming Youth Events

Monday, January 16th, 6:00 - 7:30

Ignite and Rev (our two younger youth groups) will combine at Riverside for pizza, games, and a devotional. For 4th - 8th graders. Questions? Like to help? See Cassie.



Thursday, January 12th, 6:00 - 8:00

9th - 12th graders. At Riverside. Pizza, games, and a devotional. Questions? Like to help? See Aniela.



To get updates, text the following to 907.312.2662:

"IGNITE" (4th & 5th) "REV" (6th-8th), -or- "THRIVE" (9th-12th).

Everybody's Welcome...

Nobody's Perfect...

Anything's Possible!

Following The Year(s) Of ^Jesus #54 The Worst Case Scenario



Since the Lord is directing our steps why try to figure out everything that happens along the way?

—Proverbs 20:24 (TLB)

After this, the armies of the Moabites, Ammonites, and some of the Meunites declared war on Jehoshaphat. Messengers came and told Jehoshaphat, “A vast army from Edom is marching against you from beyond the Dead Sea. They are already at Hazazon-tamar.”

—2 Chronicles 20:1-2 (NLT)

4 Steps To Handling Tough Times:

1. Turn To God First.

- *After this, (3 armies) declared war on Jehoshaphat... He was afraid, so he decided to ask the Lord what to do.*

—2 Chronicles 20:1-3 (NCV)

- *I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid.*

—John 14:27 (NLT)

- *Then King Jehoshaphat went and stood before them and prayed aloud.*

—2 Chronicles 20:5 (GN)

2. Tell God How You Feel.

- *We are powerless against this large army that is attacking us. We don't know what to do.*

—2 Chronicles 20:12 (NCV)

3. Trust That God Will Help You.

- *We don't know what to do, so we look to you for help.*

—2 Chronicles 20:12 (NCV)

- *Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me.*
—Psalm 23:4 (NLT)
- *The scripture says, “Whoever trusts in him will not be disappointed.”*
—Romans 10:11 (NASB)
- *Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God’s! You won’t need to fight in this battle. Just stand strong in your places, and you will see the Lord save you.*
—2 Chronicles 20:15-17 (NCV)

4. Thank God In Advance.

- *The king appointed singers to walk ahead of the army, singing to the Lord and praising Him... This is what they sang: “Give thanks to the Lord for His faithful love endures forever!”*
—2 Chronicles 20:21 (NLT)
- *At the moment they began to sing and to praise, the Lord caused the armies ... to begin fighting among themselves, and they destroyed each other!”*
—2 Chronicles 20:22 (LB)

~ **There’s an ocean in front of you** ~
 ~ **You know what you’ve gotta do** ~
 ~ **(Take another step and another step)** ~
 ~ **Maybe He’ll turn the ocean into land** ~
 ~ **Or maybe He’ll take your hand and say** ~
 ~ **Let’s take a walk on the waves** ~
 ~ **Will you trust me either way?** ~
 ~ **(Take another step and another step)** ~
(Steven Curtis Chapman: Take Another Step)

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Follow Through Step #54:

Reflect on what you expect from God when you pray. Will you “trust Him either way” and take another step? And don’t forget to thank God in advance for whatever He is doing in your life.

Riverside Info Texting System

At Riverside we aren’t terribly organized- in fact we’re sort of the poster church for “disorganized religion”. So we use a “text for information” system where how much info you get is controlled by you. You will never have someone call you without asking for a call. If you can’t find the info you need or have more questions or need some help reach out to one of the pastors directly- if we don’t answer try texting or emailing us and we may get your message sooner.

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Frequently Asked Questions About Riverside- keyword= FAQs

Communion Info- keyword= Communion

New To Riverside? keyword= Guest

Want news and updates periodically? keyword= Loop

Want more info about following Jesus? keyword= Shine

Want info on baptism at Riverside? keyword= Baptism

Youth Programs At Riverside:

Want info on 4-5 grade programs? keyword= Ignite

Want info on 6-8 grade programs? keyword= Rev

Want info on high school programs? keyword= Thrive