

# The Year Of Following Jesus #41: Salt & Light- Not Salty & Lit

October 8, 2022

*Welcome Home!  
Thanks for joining us today*

**October 8 & 9, 2022**

Trust in You

**Welcome**

Survivor

Who You Say I Am

**Lord's Supper Thought**

Way Maker

**Prayer**

**Communion**

**Lesson: The Year of Following Jesus #41 -**

**Learning to be the Light - 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](http://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.



Thanks to John Fenn (See John 19:17-32) 11-10-1988  
UMMMM JESUS, ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T WANT TO BE A FIREMAN OR PHAROAH WHEN YOU GROW UP? ... 'CRUCIFIED, DEAD AND BURIED' IS A BIT TOO SPOOKY FOR THE OTHER KIDS.

### 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](http://www.EagleRiverside.com)

### This Week At Riverside

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

- ➔ Ignite/Rev Monday
- ➔ Young Adults Group Tuesday
- ➔ Thrive Thursday
- ➔ October Service Project: Candy!
- ➔ Read the New Testament

#### 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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### Riverside Happenings

**Riverside Service Project** - Bring candy for the Harvest Festival (October 23rd) and peanut butter and canned soups for the food pantry.

**Ladies Craft Day** - Bring your own craft and a dish to share. Saturday, November 12th, 10am-4pm at the church. See Becky 812-449-7004.

#### Save the Dates-

October 23rd - Riverside Harvest Festival  
November 20th - Operation Christmas Child Church Packing Day

**New Young Adult Group - ALIVE** - Tuesdays @6, in the Shack. There will be food provided. We are working through the book of Matthew. Ages 18-30. Text the word "alive" to 907.312.2662 or see Cassie.



**Baptism** - Want to get baptized or have questions?  
Scan the QR code or go to [www.EagleRiverside.com/baptism](http://www.EagleRiverside.com/baptism)

**Read Through The New Testament Starts October 1st**- If you missed your opportunity to read through the Bible in a year with us then you can always jump in for the rest of the year as we begin the New Testament on October 1.

**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, October 10th, 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, October 13th, 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 Of ^Jesus #41**  
**Learning To Be Salt & Light (Not Salty & Lit)**



*You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless. You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.*

*—Matthew 5:13-16 (NLT)*

**What Is Jesus saying?**

## 1. This Is A Covenant.

- *I will bless you... and you will be a blessing to others... All the families on earth will be blessed through you.*  
—Genesis 12:2-3 (NLT)
- *It is an everlasting covenant of salt before the Lord for both you and your offspring.*  
—Numbers 18:19 (NIV)
- *It is far too small a thing for you to be my servant to... bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the (Nations), that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth.*  
—Isaiah 49:6 (NIV)
- *In everything you do, stay away from complaining and arguing so that no one can speak a word of blame against you. You are to live clean, innocent lives as children of God in a dark world full of people who are crooked and stubborn. Shine out among them like beacon lights, holding out to them the Word of Life.*  
—Philippians 2:14-16 (NIV)
- *You will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.*  
—Acts 1:8 (NLT)
- *Always be ready to answer everyone who asks you to explain about the hope you have, but answer in a gentle way and with respect.*  
—1 Peter 3:15 (NCV)
- *And may the Master pour on the love so it fills your lives and splashes over on everyone around you.*  
—Thessalonians 3:12 (MES)

## 2. I Must Be Willing To Trained.

- *You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and you are right, because that’s what I am... I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done.*  
—John 13:13-15 (NLT)
- *You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.*  
—Matthew 22:37-40 (NLT)
- *Watch what God does, and then you do it, like children who learn proper behavior from their parents. Mostly what God does is love you. Keep company with him and learn a life of love. Observe how Christ loved us. His love was not cautious but extravagant. He didn’t love in order to get something from us but to give everything of himself to us. Love like that.*  
—Ephesians 5:1-2 (MES)

### **3. It’s a Process.**

- *We will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ.*  
—Ephesians 4:15 (NLT)
- *And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.*  
—Philippians 1:6 (NLT)
- *I don’t mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me. No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and*

*looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.*

—*Philippians 3:12-14 (NLT)*

- *Let all who are spiritually mature agree on these things. If you disagree on some point, I believe God will make it plain to you.*

—*Philippians 3:15 (NLT)*

- *And all of us... can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him and reflect his glory even more.*

—*2 Corinthians 3:17-18 (NLT)*

## **Follow Through Step #41:**

*\*Spend some time reflecting on what it means that as followers of Jesus we have entered into a sacred pact/covenant to be salt and light to a decaying and dark world. What am I doing to be salt and light. \**

## **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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For info on any of the following areas simply text the keyword to 907-312-2662. You'll get a text in return with a link to the info you asked for.

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