

# The Year(s) Of Following Jesus #59: Jesus On Divorce

February 10, 2023

*Welcome Home!  
Thanks for joining us today*

**February 11 & 12, 2023**

Whom Shall I Fear

**Welcome**

At Your Name

Revelation Song

**Lord's Supper Thought**

Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone

**Prayer**

**Communion**

**Lesson: The Year(s) of Following Jesus #59**

- Jesus on Divorce: You Might Be Surprised -

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.



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

### This Week At Riverside

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

- ➔ Ignite/Rev Monday
- ➔ Thrive Thursday
- ➔ Alive Friday
- ➔ Service Project: Food & Gas Cards

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

Facebook: EagleRiverside

**Riverside Service Project** - The February service project is Random Acts of Kindness. Our community is in dire need. Please bring in non-perishable food items and/or gas cards. See Janet for details.

**Charitable Giving Statements** - For an end of the year 2022 statement of your charitable giving to Riverside, email Aniela at [anielawhah@gmail.com](mailto:anielawhah@gmail.com)

**Young Adult Group - ALIVE** - Fridays @6:30, in the Shack. Bring a dish to pass or share what we have. Ages 18-30. Text "alive" to 907.312.2662 or see Cassie.

**Warriors in Christ** - A new small group meeting every other Mondays at 6pm. Next group is March 6th. See Nate.

**Ladies Craft Day** - Bring your own craft and a dish to share. Saturday, March 11th, 10am-4pm at the church. See Becky 812-449-7004.

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



**JAM Camp** - July 9-13. Registration is open now for those entering 5th-12th grade. Cost is \$250/camper. Scholarships are available. See Ed or

### Upcoming Youth Events

**Monday, February 13th, 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, February 16th, 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:

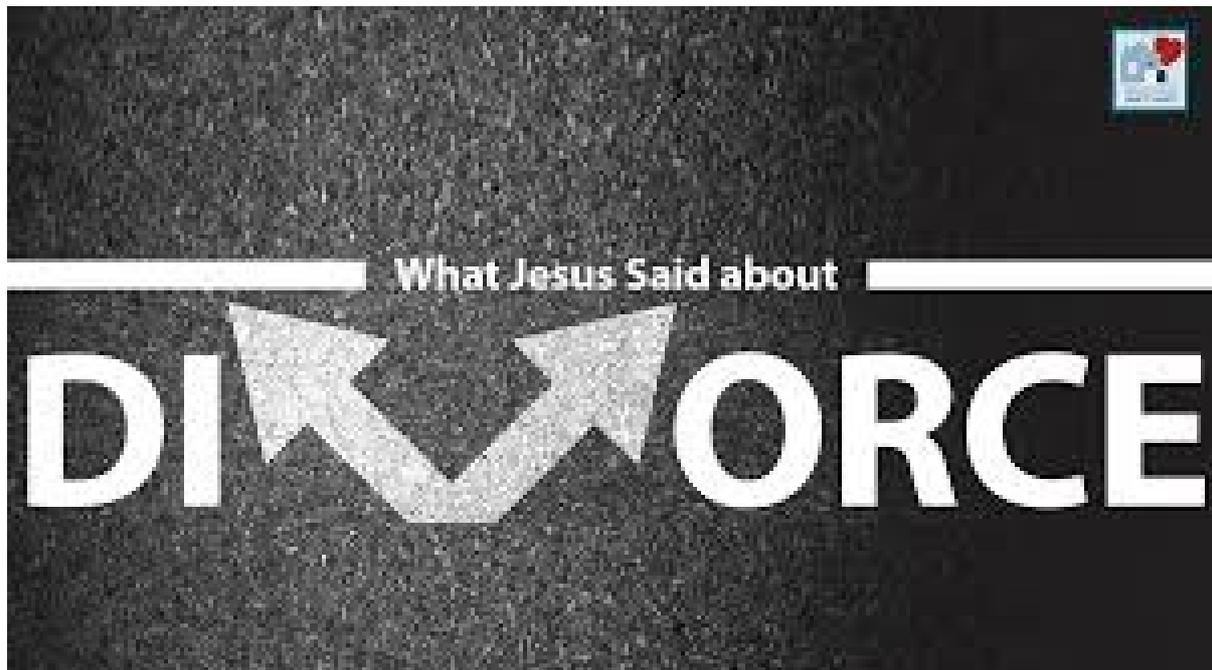
"IGNITE" (4th & 5th) "REV" (6th-8th), -or- "THRIVE" (9th-12th).

Everybody's Welcome...

Nobody's Perfect...

Anything's Possible!

# Following The Year(s) Of ^Jesus #59 Jesus On Divorce: You Might Be Surprised



*“It has been said, ‘Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.”*

—Matthew 5:31-32 (NIV)

## **Some Observations On Divorce:**

### **1. The Old Testament Law Protected Women.**

- *Suppose a woman was divorced by her... husband... He wrote out divorce papers, gave them to her, and sent her away.*

—Deuteronomy 24:1 (CEV)

### **2. The Old Testament Had Three “Grounds”.**

#### **Cause #1- Unfaithfulness.**

- Suppose a woman was divorced by her... husband because he found something disgraceful about her.

#### **Causes #2 & #3- Abuse & Neglect.**

- *If he marries another woman, he must not deprive the first one of her food, clothing and marital rights. If he does not provide her with these three things, she is to go free, without any payment of money.*

—Exodus 21:10-11 (NIV)

### **3. Divorce Had Become The Hot Topic.**

- *Suppose a woman was divorced by her... husband because he found something disgraceful (any cause of disgrace) about her.*

—Deuteronomy 24:1 (CEV)

- *Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.*

—Matthew 1:19 (NIV)

- *Some Pharisees came and tried to trap him with this question: “Should a man be allowed to divorce his wife for just any reason?”*

—Matthew 19:3 (NLT)

- *Then why did Moses say in the law that a man could give his wife a written notice of divorce and send her away?*

—Matthew 19:7 (NLT)

#### **4. Jesus Was A Champion Of The Powerless.**

- *Jesus replied, “Moses permitted divorce only as a concession to your hard hearts, but it was not what God had originally intended. And I tell you this, whoever divorces his wife and marries someone else commits adultery— unless his wife has been unfaithful.*

—Matthew 19:8-9 (NLT)

- *But if the husband or wife who isn't a believer insists on leaving, let them go. In such cases the Christian husband or wife is no longer bound to the other.*

—1 Corinthians 7:15 (NCV)

#### **5. Divorce Is NOT The Unforgiveable Sin.**

- *I gave faithless Israel her certificate of divorce and sent her away because of all her (unfaithfulness).*

—Jeremiah 3:8 (NIV)

- *The woman said, “I know the Messiah is coming—the one who is called Christ. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.” Then Jesus declared, “I, the one speaking to you—I am he.”*

—John 4:25-26 (NIV)

- *We are made right in God's sight when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins. And we all can*

*be saved in this same way, no matter who we are or what we have done.*

*—Romans 3:21 (NLT)*

## **Follow Through Step #59:**

**Pray for the people you know who have been impacted by divorce that they would find healing, mercy and redemption.**