

The Year Of Following Jesus #9: Temptations

February 25, 2022

Welcome Home!
Thanks for joining us today

February 26 & 27, 2022

Holy is the Lord

Welcome

Blessed Be Your Name

Mighty to Save

Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

Lord's Supper Thought

How Great is our God

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The Year of Following Jesus #9 -

The Temptations of Jesus - 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.



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)

- ➔ Thrive Thursday
- ➔ February service project - blankets and rescue mission
- ➔ Sign Up For Baptism- scan code or navigate over to www.EagleRiverside.com/baptism



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

February Service Project - We are gathering baby blankets for the Alaska Chapter of the National Down Syndrome Congress. New baby blankets, fleeces, and quilts are appreciated. See Becky for more details.

February Service Project (Part 2) - The Gospel Rescue Mission needs canned goods (especially peanut butter and soup), granola bars, high calorie items, hats, gloves, personal hygiene items, women's underwear, and feminine products. See Janet for details.

Baptism Weekend - Baptism is one of two rituals that Jesus Himself participated in, He told His disciples to do it and for the last 2,000 years the Christian church has been (in one form or another) baptizing it's converts. In fact, if you read through the entire New Testament you'll find that other than the thief on the cross (who died before the church began) there is not one single instance of an unbaptized believer. This is a big deal to Jesus. Want to sign up to get baptized or have questions? Scan the QR code (on the opposite side of the page) or go to www.EagleRiverside.com/baptism and we'll get you sorted out.

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

Thrive Winter Retreat New Date - The new winter retreat dates for the high schoolers is March 11-13. There's still time to sign up. See Aniela for details.

Upcoming Youth Events

Monday, March 7th 6:00 - 7:30

Ignite and Rev (our two younger youth groups) will combine on Monday nights at Riverside for pizza, games, and a devotional.

For 4th - 8th graders. Questions? Like to help?

See Taylor or Aniela.



Thursday, March 3rd 6:00 - 8:00

9th - 12th graders. At Riverside. Pizza, games, and a devotional.

Questions? Like to help?

See Liz & Kyle, Taylor, or 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 #9 The Temptations Of Jesus

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil.

—Matthew 4:1 (NLT)

Lessons From Jesus' Testing:

1. Who Jesus Is.

- *"This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy."*

—Matthew 3:16-17 (NLT)

- *For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became very hungry.*
—Matthew 4:1 (NLT)
- *During that time the devil came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God...”*
—Matthew 4:3 (NLT)
- *Remember how the Lord your God led you through the wilderness for these forty years, humbling you and testing you to prove your character, and to find out whether or not you would obey his commands.*
—Deuteronomy 8:2 (NLT)

2. Who The Tester Is.

- *After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. The tempter came to him and said...*
—Matthew 4:2-3 (NIV)
- *Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.*
—1 Peter 5:8 (NLT)
- *Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe.*
—2 Corinthians 4:4 (NLT)
- *Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light.*
—2 Corinthians 11:14 (NLT)
- *This great dragon—the ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, the one deceiving the whole world—was thrown down to the earth with all his angels.*
—Revelation 12:9 (NLT)

3. Why These Tests?

- *During that time the devil came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become loaves of bread.” But Jesus told him, “No! The*

Scriptures say, 'People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

—Matthew 4:3-4 (NLT)

- *Yes, he humbled you by letting you go hungry and then feeding you with manna, a food previously unknown to you and your ancestors. He did it to teach you that people do not live by bread alone; rather, we live by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.*

—Deuteronomy 8:2-3 (NLT)

- *Then the devil took him to the holy city, Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, and said, "If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say, 'He will order his angels to protect you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.'" Jesus responded, "The Scriptures also say, 'You must not test the Lord your God.'"*

—Matthew 4:5-7 (NLT)

- *You must not test the Lord your God as you did when you complained at Massah.*

—Deuteronomy 6:16 (NLT)

- *Moses named the place Massah (which means "test") and Meribah (which means "arguing") because the people of Israel argued with Moses and tested the Lord by saying, "Is the Lord here with us or not?"*

—Exodus 17:7 (NLT)

- *Next the devil took him to the peak of a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. "I will give it all to you," he said, "if you will kneel down and worship me." "Get out of here, Satan," Jesus told him. "For the Scriptures say, 'You must worship the Lord your God and serve only him.'" Then the devil went*

away, and angels came and took care of Jesus.

—Matthew 4:8-11 (NLT)

- *You must fear the Lord your God and serve him.*
—Deuteronomy 6:13 (NLT)
- *But Peter took him aside and began to reprimand him for saying such things. “Heaven forbid, Lord,” he said. “This will never happen to you!” Jesus turned to Peter and said, “Get away from me, Satan! You are a dangerous trap to me. You are seeing things merely from a human point of view, not from God’s.”*

—Matthew 16:22-23 (NLT)

4. How We Overcome.

- *Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation (testing), but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.*

—Matthew 6:9-13 (NIV)

Follow Through Step #9:

Memorize and reflect on how the Lord’s model prayer is an antidote to the tests He faced and that He knew you and I would one day face.

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