

# The Year(s) Of Following Jesus #231 The Parable Of The Persistent Widow

June 6, 2026

*Welcome Home!*  
*Thanks for joining us today*

**June 7, 2026**

Holy is the Lord

**Welcome**

God of Wonders

Come Alive (Dry Bones)

**Lord's Supper Thought**

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

**Prayer**

**Communion**

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

**#230 -The Parable of the Persistent Widow -**

**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.



## 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. 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). Ask if you need gluten free. 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)

- ➔ Bible Study Online - Tuesday
- ➔ Small Groups Wednesday
- ➔ Thrive Thursday
- ➔ Potluck Sunday the 14th

### 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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**Summer Schedule:** Riverside's service schedule will change for the summer. For June, July, and August, there will be no Saturday night services. See Pastor Ed.

**Bible Study** - Meeting online every Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm, led by Jake Belford (660) 233-1099. All are welcome.

**Small Groups** - Will run every Wednesday at 6pm at the church. See the flyer in the back.

**JAM Camp** - Sign up by 6/7 to get a T-shirt. Scholarships available.

**Father's Day Slideshow:** Help us celebrate our dads. Send in three pics of the dads in your life to [eagleriverside@gmail.com](mailto:eagleriverside@gmail.com) with the subject: Father's Day 2026. Photos are due by June 19th.

**Adopt a flower barrel-** Brighten up the church by planting and tending to a flower barrel all summer. See Ed for details.

**Riverside Potluck** - June 14th, at 12:15 pm. Cook-out theme. See Jon for details.

**Men's Breakfast** - Third Saturday of each month. Saturday, June 20th. Show up at 8:30 if you want to help cook. Breakfast is at 9:00. See Pastor Ed for details.

**Save the Date** - Riverside's VBS will be July 20-23. See Abby or Tayler.

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



### Upcoming Youth Events

**Monday, June 15th, 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, June 11th, 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**:

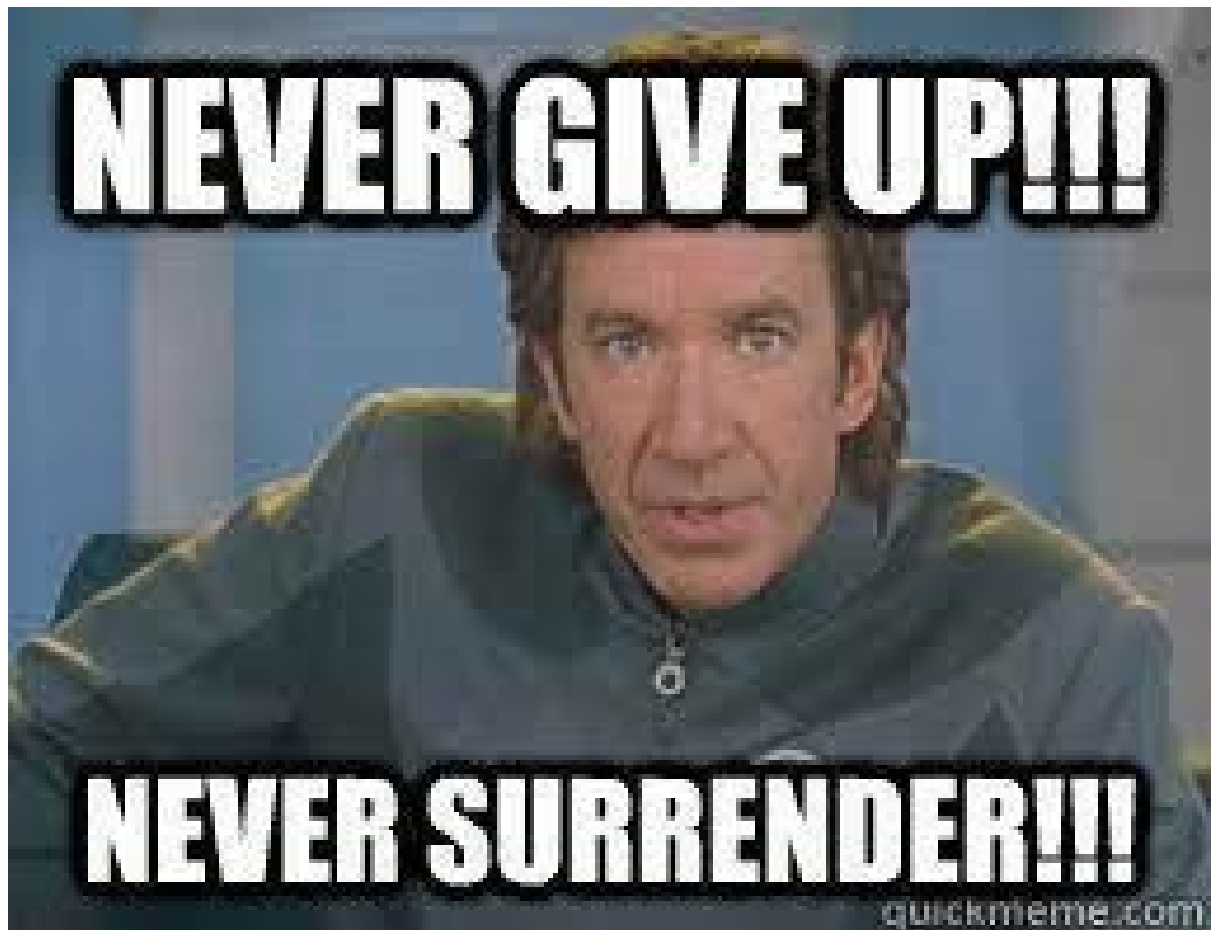
"IGNITE" (4th & 5th) "REV" (6th-8th), -or- "THRIVE" (9th-12th).

Everybody's Welcome...

Nobody's Perfect...

Anything's Possible!

Following  
**The Year(s) Of ^Jesus #231**  
**The Parable Of The Tenacious Widow**  
**-or-**  
**Never Give Up, Never Surrender!**



*One day Jesus told his disciples a story to show that they should always pray and never give up.*

*—Luke 18:1 (NLT)*

### **3 Things Tenacious Prayer Does:**

#### **1. Reveals What We Really Think About God.**

- *There was a judge in a certain city,” he said, “who neither feared God nor cared about people.”*  
*—Luke 18:2 (NLT)*
- *There once was a man named Job who lived in the land of Uz. He was blameless—a man of complete integrity. He feared God and stayed away from evil.*  
*—Job 1:1 (NLT)*
- *But as for me, I know that my Redeemer lives, and he will stand upon the earth at last.*  
*—Job 19:25 (NLT)*

#### **2. Develops Our Character While We Wait.**

- *A widow of that city came to him repeatedly, saying, 'Give me justice in this dispute with my enemy.' The judge ignored her for a while, but finally he said to himself, 'I don't fear God or care about people, but this woman is driving me crazy. I'm going to see that she gets justice, because she is wearing me out with her constant requests!'"*

—Luke 18:3-5 (NLT)

- *But those who wait on the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint.*

—Isaiah 40:31 (NLT)

- *Surely I spoke of things I did not understand, things too wonderful for me to know... My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you.*

—Job 42:3-5 (NIV)

### **3. Demonstrates Faith That Pleases God.**

- *Then the Lord said, "Learn a lesson from this unjust judge. Even he rendered a just decision in the end. So don't you think God will surely give justice to his chosen people who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will grant justice to them quickly! But when the Son of Man returns, how many will he find on the earth who have faith?"*

—Luke 18:6-8 (NLT)

- *I am angry with you and your two friends, for you have not spoken accurately about me, as my servant Job has.*

—Job 42:7 (NLT)

- *So the LORD blessed Job in the second half of his life even more than in the beginning... He named his first daughter Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch... And their father put*

*them into his will along with their brothers.*

*—Job 42:12-15 (NLT)*

### **Follow Through Step:**

**Spend some time reflecting on tenacious prayer. How easy is it for you to stop praying for the things that you want? How does it make you feel when you don't get what you've been asking for? What would it look like for you to wait (weight) on The LORD?**