

The Year Of Following Jesus #71 To Judge Or Not To Judge...

May 6, 2023

Welcome Home!
Thanks for joining us today

May 6 & 7, 2023

Come to the River

Welcome

Not for a Moment

Lord, I Need You

Lord's Supper Thought

Rescue Story

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The Year(s) of Following Jesus #71

To Judge or Not to Judge — 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)

- Marriage Small Group Wednesday @6:30
- Thrive Thursday
- Ladies Craft Day Saturday
- Mother's Day pics & Graduate pics
- Service Project: food pantry

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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Facebook: EagleRiverside

Riverside Happenings

Riverside Service Project - Help us gather non-perishable food items for the food pantry in May. See Janet for details.

May Your Marriage Be Fun! - Riverside is hosting a fun marriage series Wednesdays @ 6:30 for the month of May. See Aniela for details.

Graduate Celebration - Send photos of your graduates to eagleriverside@gmail.com with "Graduate" and your graduate's name by 5/19.

Mother's Day Pictures - Mother's Day is Sunday, May 14th. Let's celebrate the moms of Riverside! Email three photos for the slideshow to eagleriverside@gmail.com and write "Mothers Day 2023" in the subject line. Please submit your photos by Friday at 9pm.

Men's Prayer Group - Currently in Psalm 119. Contact Hank at 713 548 7446.

Ladies Craft Day - Bring your own craft and a dish to share. Saturday, May 13th, 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

Write to our missionaries - See the bulletin board for more info.

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 Aniela if you need a scholarship or would like to donate to the scholarship fund.

Upcoming Youth Events

Thursday, May 22nd, 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, May 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 #71
To Judge Or Not To Judge...

To Judge or Not to Judge: That is the Question



Don't judge others, or you will be judged. You will be judged in the same way that you judge others, and the amount you give to others will be given to you.

—Matthew 7:1-2 (NLT)

What Is Jesus Saying?

1. Judgment Is About Arrogance.

- *Jesus told a story to some people who thought they were better than others and who looked down on everyone else...*

—Luke 18:9 (CEV)

- *Who are you to condemn someone else's servants? Their own master will judge whether they stand or fall. And with the Lord's help, they will stand and receive his approval.*

—Romans 14:4 (NLT)

- *Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven.*

—Luke 6:37 (NIV)

2. Acceptance Is NOT About Acceptance.

- *Why worry about a speck in your friend's eye when you have a log in your own? How can you think of saying to your friend, 'Let me help you get rid of that speck in your eye,' when you can't see past the log in your own eye? Hypocrite! First get rid of the log in your own eye; then you will see well enough to deal with the speck in your friend's eye.*

—Matthew 7:3-5 (NLT)

- *It isn't my responsibility to judge outsiders, but it certainly is your responsibility to judge those inside the church who are sinning.*

—1 Corinthians 5:12 (NLT)

- *So whatever you say or whatever you do, remember that you will be judged by the law that sets you free. There will be no mercy for those who have not shown mercy to others. But if you have been merciful, God will be merciful when he judges you.*

—James 2:12-13 (NLT)

3. A Cure Begins With Awareness.

- *The Pharisee stood over by himself and prayed, "God, I thank you that I am not greedy, dishonest, and unfaithful in marriage like other people. And I am really glad that I am not like that tax collector over there.*

—Luke 18:11 (CEV)

- *But the tax collector stood at a distance and dared not even lift his eyes to heaven as he prayed. Instead, he beat his chest in sorrow, saying, 'O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner.'*

—Luke 18:12 (NLT)

- *I tell you, this sinner, not the Pharisee, returned home justified before God. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."*

—Luke 18:13 (NLT)

- *So, no matter what I say, what I believe, and what I do, I'm bankrupt without love.*

—1 Corinthians 13:4 (NLT)

4. The Antidote Is Jesus' Way.

- *And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, “Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, just as Elijah did?” But He turned and rebuked them, and said, “You don’t realize what your hearts are like. For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men’s lives but to save them.” And they went to another village.*

—Luke 9:54-56 (NLT)

- *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 3:15-16 (NLT)

Follow Through Step:

Spend some time reflecting on how much you “judge” others and whether you turn the same kind of scrutiny inward on yourself.