

The Year Of Following Jesus #85 John The Baptizer's Crisis Of Faith

August 12, 2023

*Welcome Home!
Thanks for joining us today*

August 12 & 13, 2023

Build Your Kingdom Here

Welcome

This is Amazing Grace

Egypt

Lord's Supper Thought

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The Year(s) of Following Jesus #85

John the Baptist's Questions — 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)

- ➡ Ignite/Rev Monday
- ➡ Thrive Thursday
- ➡ Potluck Sunday - bring a dish
- ➡ Service Project(s) - back to school & fair tickets

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(s) - Back to school supplies needed (specifics to come) - plus gift cards to Fred Meyer's for back to school clothes. See Janet for details. Also, every year, we take our high schoolers to the State Fair. If you'd like to contribute fair tickets and/or ride money, please see Ed or Aniela.

Riverside Potluck - Next potluck August 13th after the 2nd service. Bring a dish to share. We'll have hotdogs!

Warriors in Christ - Meeting August 21st. See Nate for details.

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

Men's Prayer Group - Currently discussing "Praying in God's Word." Contact Hank at 713 548 7446.

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.

Upcoming Youth Events

Monday, August 14th, 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, August 17th, 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 #85 Jesus & The John The Baptizer's Crisis Of Faith



After Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in the towns of Galilee.

—Matthew 11:1 (NLT)

What's This Story About?

1. John's Doubts.

- *When John, who was in prison, heard about the deeds of the Messiah, he sent his disciples to ask him, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?"*

—Matthew 11:2-3 (NLT)

- *As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of*

the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

—Matthew 3:16-17 (NLT)

- *The one who follows me is far stronger than I am.*
—Matthew 3:11 (NLT)

- *I am quiet; I do not open my mouth, because you are the one who has done this. Quit punishing me; your beating is about to kill me... Leave me alone so I can be happy before I leave and am no more.*

—Psalm 39:9-13 (NLT)

- *You have taken away my loved ones and friends. Darkness is my only friend.*

—Psalm 88:18 (NLT)

- *Be merciful to those who doubt.*

—Jude :22

2. Jesus' Reply.

- *Jesus told them, "Go back to John and tell him what you have heard and seen— the blind see, the lame walk, those with leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor."*

—Matthew 8:4-5 (NLT)

- *Then the blind people will see again, and the deaf will hear. Crippled people will jump like deer and those who can't talk now will shout with joy.*

—Isaiah 35:5-6 (NLT)

3. Jesus' Challenge.

- *And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.*

—Matthew 11:6 (ESV)

- *So when we preach that Christ was crucified, the Jews are offended and the Gentiles say it's all nonsense.*

—1 Corinthians 1:23 (NLT)

- *At this point many of his disciples turned away and deserted him. Then Jesus turned to the Twelve and asked, "Are you also going to leave?" Simon Peter replied, "Lord, to whom would we go? You have the words that give eternal life. We believe, and we know you are the Holy One of God.*

—John 6:65-69 (NLT)

4. Jesus' Grace & Mercy.

- *I tell you the truth, of all who have ever lived, none is greater than John the Baptist.*

—Matthew 11:11 (NLT)

- *Be merciful to those who doubt.*

—Jude :22

Follow Through Step:

**Reflect on the questions you have for God about why He is or isn't doing what you thought He should be doing. And then share them with Jesus. **