

# The Year(s) Of Following Jesus

## #211 The Cost Of Discipleship

January 16, 2026

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

**January 17 & 18, 2026**

Who You Are To Me

**Welcome**

Goodness of God

Praise You In This Storm

**Lord's Supper Thought**

We Fall Down

**Prayer**

**Communion**

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

**#211 - The Cost of Discipleship- 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.



### 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 Wednesday
- ➔ Thrive Thursday

### 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

**New Service Times** - Beginning February 1st, we will offer one Sunday service at 11 am, in addition to Saturday night services.

**Bible Study** - Meeting online every other Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm, led by Jake Belford (660) 233-1099. This is an opportunity to fill up your tank mid-week with Jesus! All are welcome. Next meeting 1/21.

**Financial Peace University** - Visit <https://www.financialpeace.com/app/classes/5DFC11> to join a virtual class starting February 3rd, and start making your money work for you. See Corina or Ty for more info.

**Weekend to Remember** - This weekend marriage retreat is March 13-15. Use our code: EagleRiverside. See Aniela for details.

**Riverside Potluck** - February 8th, after service. See Jon for details.

**Ladies Craft Day** - Bring your own craft and a dish to share. Saturday, February 14th, 10:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. at the church. See Becky 812-449-7004.

**Men's Breakfast** - Third Saturday of each month. Saturday, February 21st. Show up at 8:30 if you want to help cook. Breakfast is at 9:00. See Pastor Ed for details.

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

**Riverside App** - Did you know Riverside has its own app? Download here.



### Upcoming Youth Events

**Monday, January 26th, 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, January 22nd, 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:

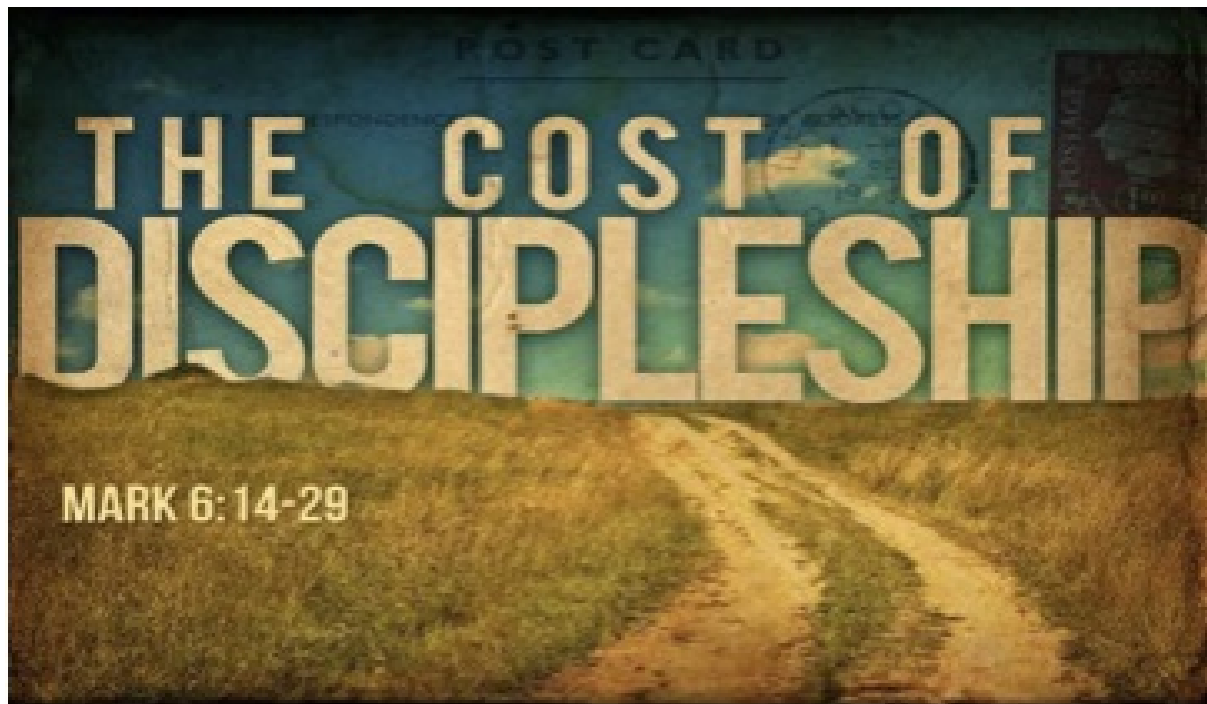
"IGNITE" (4th & 5th) "REV" (6th-8th), -or- "THRIVE" (9th-12th).

Everybody's Welcome...

Nobody's Perfect...

Anything's Possible!

# Following The Year(s) Of ^Jesus #211 The Cost Of "Discipleship"



*Go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.*

*—Matthew 28:18-20 (NLT)*

## **What It Means To Be A Disciple?**

### **1. Putting Jesus First.**

- *Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: “If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters— yes, even their own life— such a person cannot be my disciple.”*  
*—Luke 14:25-26 (NIV)*
- *As Jesus was starting out on his way to Jerusalem, a man came running up to him, knelt down, and asked, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?”... “You know the commandments: ‘You must not murder. You must not commit adultery. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. You must not cheat anyone. Honor your*

*father and mother.” “Teacher,” the man replied, “I’ve obeyed all these commandments since I was young.”*

*—Mark 10:17-20 (NLT)*

## **2. Doing It Every Single Day.**

- *And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.*

*—Luke 14:27 (NIV)*

- *If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it.*

*—Luke 9:23-24 (NLT)*

- *Looking at the man, Jesus felt genuine love for him. “There is still one thing you haven’t done,” he told him. “Go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.” At this the man’s face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions.*

*—Mark 10:21-22 (NLT)*

## **3. Counting The Cost.**

- *“Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won’t you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, saying, ‘This person began to build and wasn’t able to finish.’”*

*—Luke 14:29-30 (NIV)*

- *Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God!” This amazed them. But Jesus said again, “Dear children, it is very hard to enter the Kingdom*

*of God. In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!” The disciples were astounded. “Then who in the world can be saved?” they asked. Jesus looked at them intently and said, “Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But not with God. Everything is possible with God.”*

*—Mark 10:23-27 (NLT)*

- *“In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples. Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile; it is thrown out. Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.”*

*—Luke 14:34-35 (NIV)*

- *You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world— like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden... let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.*

*—Matthew 5:14-16 (NLT)*

## **Follow Through Step:**

**Spend some time reflecting on the nature and cost of discipleship. Would you consider yourself to be a “disciple” of Jesus’ and if so, what has it cost you? If not, what would you be willing to give?**