

Welcome Home!  
Thanks for joining us today

March 6 & 7, 2021

My Redeemer Lives

Welcome

God of Wonders

One Thing Remains

Even If

Lord's Supper Thought

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The **BIG** Story Of The Bible -

Part 40: Jacob's Relationship Status ~Pastor Ed



### 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.RiversideCommunity.net](http://www.RiversideCommunity.net)

### This Week At Riverside

(Specific info about these activities is listed in the "Happenings" section)

- ➔ Bible Study on Wednesday
- ➔ Thrive - Virtual Wednesday and In-Person Thursday
- ➔ Facebook poll

#### 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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Website: [www.riversidecommunity.net](http://www.riversidecommunity.net)

Facebook: EagleRiverside

### 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.RiversideCommunity.net](http://www.RiversideCommunity.net), click on "Donate Online" 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.

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(See Genesis 29:14-30)  
02-11-2008  
FLOWERS?!? ... I MARRIED ONE OF YOU AGAINST MY WILL AND WORKED FOURTEEN HARD YEARS FOR THE OTHER ... I THINK THAT'S ENOUGH OF A VALENTINE'S GIFT  
THIS VFAD

### Riverside Happenings

**COVID Help -** Riverside firmly believes that we are called to help each other. If you or your family are struggling because of COVID, please reach out to us. If your family comes down with COVID, we can help set up a meal train. Contact Melissa at (907) 854-4667.

**Reserving The Cry Room-** If your crew of kids is especially spirited and you have a tough time enjoying the service while also worrying about wrangling them then maybe this is for you. We are now reserving the cry room for individual families (or more if you have other families that are in your social "bubble" anyways). You can find the link to reserve the room on our Facebook page or website.

**IRS Donation Forms-** If you donate to the mission of Riverside and would like a donation form please reach out to Aniela (anielawah@gmail.com) and she'll get you your receipt. And if anything is missing just let her know and she'll work on getting it up to date. And thank you so much for donating to the mission of Riverside- without you we couldn't keep the doors opened.

**Bible Study -** Wednesday nights Bible Study is back on at 6:30.

**Contact Info-** We're required to keep a log of everyone that attends our services. If you signed up through [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) then we've got you covered. But if you didn't please make sure and fill out a contact form that you'll find near the front doors.



### Upcoming Youth Events

#### Monday, ON HOLD 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 Tayler or Aniela.

IGNITE

REV

#### Thursday, March 11th 6:00 - 8:00

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

Questions? Like to help?

See Liz & Kyle, Tayler, or Aniela.

THRIVE

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!

# The **Big** Story Of The Bible #40

## JACOB'S RELATIONSHIP STATUS: "IT'S COMPLICATED"

As soon as Laban heard that his nephew Jacob had arrived, he ran out to meet him. He embraced and kissed him and brought him home. When Jacob had told him his story, Laban exclaimed, "You really are my own flesh and blood!" Genesis 29:13-14 (NLT)

### Jacob & Leah's Tragic Comedy:

#### Act 1: Scene 3: The \_\_\_\_\_ Of Jacob's Ladder.

\* And he dreamed: A stairway was set on the ground with its top reaching heaven, and God's angels were going up and down on it. Yahweh was standing there beside him. Genesis 28:12-13 (CSB)

\* When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it." He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven." Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on top of it. He called that place Bethel. Genesis 28:16-19 (NLT)

\* Jesus asked him, "Do you believe this just because I told you I had seen you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this." Then he said, "I tell you the truth, you will all see heaven open and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man, the one who is the stairway between heaven and earth." John 1:50-51 (NLT)

\* Then Jacob made this vow: "If God will indeed be with me and protect me on this journey, and if he will provide me with food and clothing, and if I return safely to my father's home, then the Lord will certainly be my God." Genesis 28:20-22 (NLT)

#### Act 2: Scene 1: Jacob Meets \_\_\_\_\_.

\* When Jacob had told him his story, Laban exclaimed, "You really are my own flesh and blood!" Genesis 29:13-14 (NLT)

\* After Jacob had stayed with Laban for about a month, Laban said to him, "You shouldn't work for me without pay just because we are relatives. Tell me how much your wages should be." Genesis 29:14-15 (NLT)

\* Laban had two daughters. The older daughter was named Leah, and the younger one was Rachel. Leah had weak eyes, but Rachel had a beautiful figure and a lovely

face. Since Jacob was in love with Rachel, he told her father, "I'll work for you for seven years if you'll give me Rachel, your younger daughter, as my wife." Genesis 29:16-18 (NLT)

\* Laban said, "It's better that I give her to you than to some other man. Stay here with me." So Jacob served seven years to get Rachel, but they seemed like only a few days to him because of his love for her. Genesis 29:19-20 (NIV)

\* But when Jacob woke up in the morning—behold, it was Leah! "What have you done to me?" Jacob raged at Laban. "I worked seven years for Rachel! Why have you tricked me?" Genesis 29:25 (NLT)

\* "It's not our custom here to marry off a younger daughter ahead of the firstborn," Laban replied. "But wait until the bridal week is over; then we'll give you Rachel, too—provided you promise to work another seven years for me." So Jacob agreed to work seven more years. Genesis 29:26-27 (NLT)

## Act 2: Scene 2: Leah Grasps The \_\_\_\_\_.

\* A week (later), Laban gave him Rachel, too... So Jacob slept with Rachel, too, and he loved her much more than Leah. Genesis 29:28-30 (NLT)

\* When the Lord saw that Leah was unloved, he enabled her to have children, but Rachel could not conceive. So Leah became pregnant and gave birth to a son. She named him Reuben (I am seen), for she said, "The Lord has noticed my misery, and now my husband will love me." Genesis 29:31-32 (NLT)

\* She soon became pregnant again and gave birth to another son. She named him Simeon (I am heard), for she said, "The Lord heard that I was unloved and has given me another son." Genesis 29:33 (NLT)

\* Then she became pregnant a third time and gave birth to another son. He was named Levi (I am loved), for she said, "Surely this time my husband will feel affection for me, since I have given him three sons!" Genesis 29:34 (NLT)

\* Once again Leah became pregnant and gave birth to another son. She named him Judah (I will praise), for she said, "Now I will praise the Lord!" And then she stopped having children. Genesis 29:35 (NLT)

\* Then I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll and read it. But one of the twenty-four elders said to me, "Stop weeping! Look, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the heir to David's throne, has won the victory. He is worthy to open the scroll and its seven seals." Then I saw a Lamb that looked as if it had been slaughtered, but it was now standing between the throne and the four living beings and among the twenty-four elders.  
Revelation 5:4-6 (NLT)

# 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 from the church 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 your call try texting or emailing us and we may get your message sooner.

Ed - 907.306.2823, ednjude@gmail.com

Aniela (kids/teens ministries) - 907.748.1556, anielawhah@gmail.com

Nate (worship/teens ministry)- 907.360.4825 nrsandback@gmail.com

For info on any of the following areas simply text the keyword to 907-312-2662. You'll get a text in return with a link to the info you asked for.

- \* Frequently Asked Questions About Riverside- keyword= FAQs
- \* Communion Info- keyword= Communion
- \* Digital Sermon Notes= Notes
- \* Online Reflections- Reflections
- \* 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