

welcome

Rewards shouldn't be the only motivator to obey God but the Bible frequently promises us rewards for righteous living. By verse 19 of chapter 6 Jesus used the word reward 7 times. Jesus continues speaking to the disciples concerning treasures. He says they should store up treasures in heaven, not earth, for where their treasure is so will their heart be.

The Jewish people connected the heart to a person's being so the question is, are we choosing to live in heaven or earth? He goes on to discuss the eye as the lamp of the body. Imagery of the unhealthy eye expresses envying and coveting. So if the eye is clouded with material desires and worries it cannot shine. We either serve those needs or we trust God and accept the outcome. We are the light of the world but if our devotion to God is not to one purpose then our vision is one of deception or darkness. Jesus goes on to explain that there can be no balancing act between serving God and seeking wealth. In serving two masters we will love and be devoted to one but hate and despise the other. Jesus' logical conclusion to all the above is to not worry about our life of what we will eat, drink, or wear because our Father who loves us will provide for us. When we trust God and endure we can be about His business and in the process store up eternal rewards and heavenly honors for our earthly investments. When Jesus said "oh ye of little faith" it was a signal, like the rabbi sitting down, that Jesus was getting serious and going deeper. He reiterates that they should not worry for those things but to seek the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be given to them as well. He goes even further in Matt 19, Mk 10, and Luke 12 and says we are to sell our possessions and give alms. The rewards He says are a hundred fold and that adds clarity to understanding what true community is.

The kingdom of God for each of us is a unique walk but whatever it is to you it needs to come first and foremost over all other areas. We choose daily to submit to His will in our individual lives. Daily we pray, teach, praise and take up our cross not worrying about tomorrow because God daily bears us up and provides for our need but not our greed.

Welcome to Riverside. We pray you are encouraged in your journey with and towards God.

Shema,
Michelle Trevino

Baptism and Back to School Bash- Mark your calendars for our annual Baptism & Back to School Bash on **Sat. Aug 21 at 3pm**. This year special guest artist Ross King will be leading worship. If you are interested in being baptized or rededicating your baptism please contact Brooke Blevins at bblevins@connect2riverside.com or 210-683-3874.

Sunday Morning Bulletin – we are now putting each week's bulletin on the website. You will find it by going to Connect2riverside.com under Who we are – Weekly News. **Keep up to date and join us on facebook. Become a "fan".**



KINGZ KIDZ CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (Birth- 5th grade)

Raenette Klein (rklein@gvvc.com), Children's Pastor

- We will be setting up for VBS starting at 1:00 today, please come join us!
- We also need cookies for VBS. If you are willing to do this, please sign up.

REFUGE STUDENT MINISTRY (6th grade - High School)

John Hinkebein, (johnhinkebein@yahoo.com), Youth Pastor

For more info on our summer line up check out riversiderefuge.com

- **Youth we need your help!** VBS is coming up & we need your help to pull it off! Grab a few friends and come have a blast as we serve our children's ministry! VBS is Aug 2-6 and is in the evening this year...sign up at the youth table.
- **Family Night at the Missions Ball Park, Sun. Aug 8th** – You & your WHOLE FAMILY are invited to join us as we head out to the ball park! The cost is \$16 - includes your ticket, drink & dinner before the game! Sign up and pay at the back table on Sundays!
- **High School Summer Bible Study** - Join us next Monday night at the Loft at 7:00pm
- **Middle School Bible Study.** Join us next Wednesday night at the Loft at 6:30pm

Journeys...an outreach for women! The next Journey is Monday night at Esther George's house (210-391-0882) 3233 Canyon Crest; Kim Dean is our speaker! Come hear Kim share her journey about the last few years, the depth of her struggles and her temptation to self destruct. Many in our community are facing very hard times – the last thing you need to do is isolate yourself! Come be a part of our group and be encouraged by this testimony!!

Life Hurts, God Heals (LHGH) - Do you have a heart for hurting teens? If so, then Life Hurts, God Heals (LHGH) needs you! We have an immediate need for additional SMALL GROUP LEADERS. Our next class begins after Labor Day, so new leaders need to be selected soon. For more information, contact: Denise Whistler, LHGH Coordinator @ lhgh@connect2riverside.com or 210-289-1682. You can also check out on our *Life Hurts God Heals* FaceBook page or go to www.riversiderefuge.com and click on LHGH.

Setup Team Sunday Morning! We are looking for a few extra people for the set up or take down teams on Sunday morning. This is a simple commitment of serving for about an hour before or after church on **Sun. morning once every six weeks**. If you think you could help us set up the worship space, please contact Rob Hurst at 210-386-4366.

Upstream is a young adults group doing life together & meets Sun. 9:15 at a Local Coffee House. For questions or more info contact David McVicker at 210-379-5628. Become an UPStREAM facebook member & receive all of our upcoming event information.

Get Connected! Have an iPhone. Well now you can download our new Riverside iPhone App. Just search Riverside Community Church in the app store and download it for free. Or check us out on facebook and twitter (riversidecom). And don't forget to visit our website connect2riverside.com for information and updates.

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Please let us know you were here.

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City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Name of Children	Date of Birth
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I am a:

- Partner Regular attendee
 First-time visitor

I would like to find out more about:

- Riverside Community
 Children's Ministry
 Youth Ministry
 Acacia (Home) Groups
 The Hope Center
 How can I serve

Please list prayer requests on the back>>>

