

THE COMPASS

This Sunday



August 13, 2017



THE
ASCENT
CHURCH



This Sunday's Message

Ahab: A Wicked Weakling

Sermon Notes:

Life following fake gods:

1. _____

1 Kings 16:30-33 (NIV)

2. _____

1 Kings 18:16-40 (NIV)

3. _____

1 Kings 18:41-46 (NIV)

They keep telling us about . . . how you turned away from your idols to God so that now the living and true God only is your Master.
1 Thessalonians 1:9 (TLB)

Get Connected

If this is your first visit, welcome! We hope your visit is meaningful, and we are glad you are here. Please fill out a Connection Card and drop it in the offering box or at the Welcome Area. For all guests and attenders, below are steps you can take to engage in our community.



Explore I

Learn more about our church, meet our Campus Pastors and others on our leadership team.

- Woodmoor Campus: every 1st Sunday, 10:15 am in Room 212.
 - Northgate Campus: every 3rd Sunday, 11:30 am in lobby.
- No pre-registration required.



Base Camps

Base Camps are neighborhood-based groups that meet regularly around our community. To build deeper relationships with your neighbors, visit our website at: theascentchurch.com/basecamps.



Equipping

Our Equipping Classes are designed to help further your walk with Christ. There are many short-term classes offered at both campuses, as well as ongoing women's and men's Bible studies. For more information, visit our website at: www.theascentchurch.com/equipping.



Explore II

Explore II is a workshop for those ready to make The Ascent Church their church home and to be involved in God's mission and vision in our region. Explore II includes why and how to become a member, our trail map for each family member, ministry values, doctrine, and connecting with a Base Camp. Explore II classes are held quarterly.



Serving Opportunities

How is God calling you to help create a welcoming and inviting Sunday experience for our guests and regular attenders? Serving opportunities are available in many areas from Hosting and Greeting, Service Prep Teams, or Technical and General Set-Up Teams. Training is available for each role.

If you have any questions about hosting or serving roles, please email: info@theascentchurch.com.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

RE: 2017/2018 Budget

August 13, 2017

Northgate Campus 11:30am

Woodmoor Campus 12:30pm

Men on the Ascent **Men's Camping Trip**

September 22-24, 2017

This is a time to fellowship in God's great outdoors as brothers in Christ.

Lake Isabel, Spruce Group Campground

\$25 for the first person

\$17.50 each additional person

More Information and Registration:
theascentchurch.com/men

NOW ACCEPTING VOLUNTEERS



FACILITIES TEAM

We are looking for handy men and women to provide regular repair and maintenance at the Woodmoor Campus. If you are able-bodied and want to be a part, contact Pastor Scott, Scott@TheAscentChurch.com. Also join us for a get-started meeting Thursday, August 10, 6pm at the Woodmoor Campus.



Connection Opportunities *This Week*



Ascent Student Ministry

ASM Tuesday Dates:
August 15 and 22

- Middle School: 5:30-6:45pm
- High School: 7:00-8:45pm

ASM Upcoming Events:

Parent Meeting August 20. 10:30am at the Woodmoor Campus and 11:45 at the Northgate Campus.

ASM Deep

August 13

Woodmoor Campus meets 11am upstairs
Northgate Campus meets 10:15am

For more information about ASM contact Taylor Shade,
taylor@theascentchurch.com

www.theascentchurch.com/students

Children's Ministry

(Birth - 6th grade)

Tiny Town: Birth - PreK

Adventure Quest: K - 4th grade

Elevate: 5th - 6th grade

Mother-Son Putt Putt & Pizza coming up on September 10 from 4-6:30pm at Legends Mini Golf. Moms with sons 4 years old or older join us for a night and intentional time to hang out and connect. More information and registration is available online at www.theascentchurch.com/kids.



Equipping Ministry

Connections Class:
Sundays, 10:45am, Woodmoor Campus

Room 213. The Connection Class will be studying the book of Galatians. All are welcome!

Parents of Teens Class:

Sundays, 10:45am, Woodmoor Campus Room 210.

Men's and Women's Ministries

Men on the Ascent Bible Study:
Men on the Ascent will return after a summer break.

Please join us for the Men's Camping Trip, September 22-24, at the Lake Isabel, Spruce Group Campground. For more information and registration please visit: www.theascentchurch.com/men

Women on the Ascent:

Women on The Ascent will not be meeting over the summer. They will be starting up again in the Fall. www.theascentchurch.com/women.

Missions

Last call for the Kenya Missions trip December 5-19! Applications and the \$300 deposit are due August 15. We will have a brief Team meeting at the Northgate Campus August 13th after the congregational meeting to discuss details. We'll meet at the tables back by the library. If you have questions, contact us at:

Kenya@theascentchurch.com

www.theascentchurch.com/missions.

Northgate Attenders!

PARDON OUR DUST!

- New Entrance/Exit for Northgate
- Starting August 6th we will be using the atrium entrance/exit on a trial basis due to construction
- Child check in and our welcome table will be together in 1st floor atrium
- The best parking will be on the south side of the Classical Academy building

Thanks for helping us make this season of getting to the auditorium a great one!



Giving at The Ascent

- Offering box in worship center
- Online: theascentchurch.com
- Kiosk
- The Ascent Church App

MOTHER-SON

PUTT PUTT & PIZZA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 FROM 4:00-6:30 PM

@ Legends Miniature Golf

A night of fun and intentional time for moms and their boys
(4 yrs and older) to hang out and connect.

More information and registration at TheAscentChurch.com/Kids

We are now collecting shoe box items for Operation Christmas Child!


Take advantage of
the "back to school"
sales!

Please drop off small toys, school supplies, and non-liquid hygiene items. No candy or toothpaste this year. A more complete list may be found online or call the OCC coordinator Sonya Camarco at 303-522-5968 for suggestions.

Drop off items Sunday, August 13th in
the church lobby.


**Parent
MEETING**

-8.20.17-

WOODMOOR
-10:30AM-

NORTHGATE
-11:45AM-



The Compass Study Guide

These study pages are for groups and individuals to deepen their reflection on the biblical passages from the sermon and work toward group and personal application of His word. They can be completed in one sitting or over the week. Together, we are learning and living the Bible.

Heroes & Zeros Series “King Ahab: A Wicked Weakling”

1 Kings 16:22

If you were not able to hear Pastor Rusty’s sermon today, take some time to listen to it online. Open your time of study in prayer, asking God to show you how to apply the challenges from His Word.

Read 1 Kings 16:29–33.

Under what conditions did Ahab become a leader of Israel in the area of Samaria? (Verses 29–31.)

What did Ahab do that was an affront to God and resulted in his reputation as the most wicked leader of Israel to date? (Verses 31–33.)

How did Ahab’s marriage to Jezebel (daughter of Ethbaal, king of the Sidonians) influence his choices and faith in the true God?

Do the people you associate with have an impact on your faith in the true God?

Despite Ahab's wickedness and the people turning their backs on God, Jehovah was faithful and placed his servants Elijah and Obadiah to speak truth to God's chosen people. Read 1 Kings 17. What warning did God send the people of Israel?

Read 1 Kings 18:16–46.

God directed Elijah to take on the prophets of Baal in a public showdown, during which God was sovereign over the elements (first fire, and ultimately, rain). Read verses 26–29. Were the prophets of Baal up for the task? Were they effective?

Read verses 30–37. In what ways did Elijah approach the challenge differently? Was it effective?

Did rain ultimately come?

In what ways did Elijah's patience and confidence in God contrast with Ahab's behavior?

What insights relevant to your life do you gain from the account of Ahab and Elijah? Are you in a drought? Are your eyes on God, or are you influenced by others to turn to false gods?

**NEXT WEEK'S INFORMATION:
HEROES AND ZEROS SERIES
KING UZZIAH: A TRAGIC SUCCESS
2 CHRONICLES 26**

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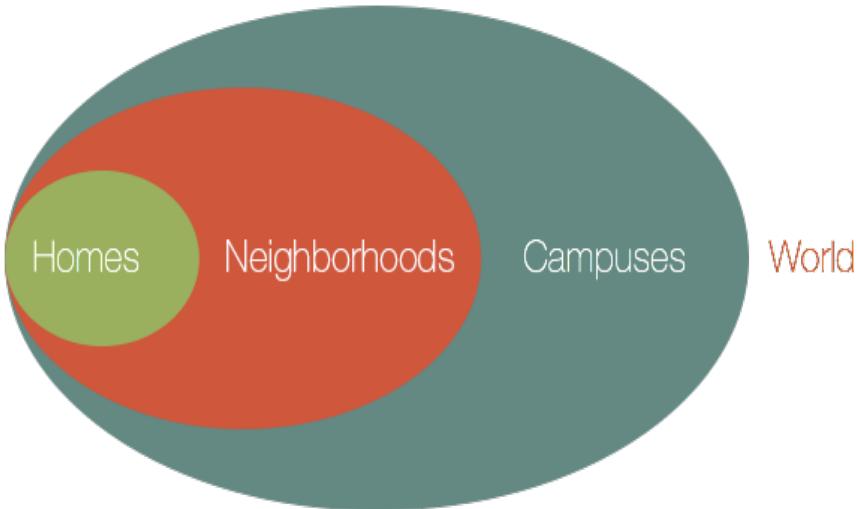
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Mission and Vision

The mission of THE ASCENT CHURCH is to help people connect intimately with God, intentionally with God's family, and influentially with God's world. Our vision is to develop genuine biblical communities on every street in our region.

Our community lives out its vision and mission within three environments:

- Home — The best place for formation and nurture.
- Neighborhood — The best place for application and outreach.
- Campus — The best place for equipping, inspiration and celebration.



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