

ABOUT EAGLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

As a Christian church we do not claim to be the only Christians, or the only church, but we seek simply to be known as Christians without a denominational label. We do not see ourselves as better than anyone else, but as a group of Christian people dedicated to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

We seek the unity of all people on the basis of confession and commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord. Our hope is to unite all Christians under the authority of Jesus Christ and pattern our lives after the Word of God.

Thank you for joining us for this informal time of worship and Bible study as we grow together in Christ.

WE BELIEVE

- That Jesus is God's Son and our Savior.
- That the Bible is the inspired Word of God.
- In the physical death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- That we are saved by grace through faith and there is nothing one can do to save himself.
- That God exists in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- In baptism by immersion for penitent believers.
- In the second coming of Christ.

REACHING THE TREASURE VALLEY FOR CHRIST

We are one Church with four locations across the Treasure Valley

- Central Valley — 100 S Short Road, Eagle
- Surprise Valley — 4601 S Surprise Way, Boise
- West Valley — 10595 Cherry Lane, Nampa
- Kuna — 2477 N Ten Mile Road, Kuna

Visit www.eaglechristianchurch.com for campus information

Mailing address for all campuses:

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PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

- Please silence electronic devices as you enter the service.
- If you would like more information about Eagle Christian Church, please stop at the Connection Center. If you are here for the first time, we have a free gift for you, also available at the Connection Center.
- Please fill out the enclosed Connection Card to indicate your presence and communicate prayer needs or comments.
- Do you need to pray with someone? At the end of each service, members of our staff and prayer team are at the front of the stage to pray with you.

THE BOOK OF JOSHUA



WELCOME

TODAY'S SERVICE

CELEBRATION OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Join us as we enter God's presence and celebrate His goodness.

COMMUNION

If you have chosen to follow Christ, please join us as we remember Christ's sacrifice for our sins.

CELEBRATION OF GIVING

This portion of the service is for our church family. Please place your offering and Connection Cards in the baskets at the entrance doors of the Worship Center. *If you don't normally attend, please do not feel obligated to participate.*

SPIRITUAL COMMITMENT

We invite you to examine your life and make a personal commitment to the Lord. At the closing, staff, and members of our prayer team will be at the front of the stage to pray with you.



We are glad you have joined us today to worship. We want you to know that we have prayerfully planned this time together and that we do “church” on purpose.

Our mission is to **reach** people with the gospel message of Jesus Christ, **teach** people to become devoted disciples of His, **equip** people for acts of service, and **send** them into ministry.

As you join us today, we ask that you, also be intentional in your worship of God and purposefully focus on your relationship with Him.
God Bless you as we follow Him together.

Dr. Steven A. Crane

GROUP QUESTIONS

Opening: Have you ever been tricked into doing something you didn’t really want to do? How did that make you feel?

Read Joshua 9:1–27

1. How did the kings west of the Jordan react to Israel’s conquest of Jericho and Ai? What about the people of Gibeon?
How would you have reacted if you had been a king in that area?
2. How did the Gibeonites trick Joshua and the Israelites?
Why do you suppose it worked?
3. What did the Israelites do when they discovered they had been tricked?
4. What did Joshua finally do to resolve the situation the best he could?
How did God use this solution for his glory over the years?

Reflection:

1. Why do you think the story of Gibeon is included in the book of Joshua?
How does this episode add to the book’s total message?
2. Have you ever made an important decision in your life without inquiring of the Lord which turned out to be a bad decision?
How might seeking the Lord have helped?
3. Have you ever made a promise that turned out to be difficult or unpopular to keep? What happened?
4. As you go through a typical day, how often do you think “What does God want me to do in this situation?”
What could you do to grow in this area?

MEMORY VERSE:

Proverbs 3:5-6

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.”

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Joshua 9:1–27

Introduction:
9:1-2

1. Deception
9:3-5

2. Gullibility
9:6-15

3. Discovery
9:16-17, 22

4. Integrity
9:18-26

Application:

Next Steps:

- I am so thankful that God can use my mistakes for his glory.
- I am convinced that no decision is too small to consult God.
- I strive to be a person of my word, because God is a God of his word.
- One area of my life where I need to consistently ask for God’s wisdom is: _____.