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

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7490 Moon Valley Rd., Eagle ID 83616

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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 SHUA



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.

WELCOME TO EAGLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH



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: Do you consider yourself to be a rule-follower? Why or why not?

Skim Joshua 20-21

- 1. What was a city of refuge?
 Why were they set up?
 (See Exodus 21:13 and Numbers 35:6–15)
- 2. How did a person find safety in a city of refuge?
- 3. What do cities of refuge tell us about the priorities of God?
- 4. Consider the idea of inheritance and land distribution in the Bible. How does the allocation of land in Joshua 20-21 connect with the broader theme of inheritance and God's promises to his people?

Reflection:

- 1. Where or whom do you turn to when you feel in danger? In what ways can our church be a city of refuge?
- 2. What truths about God's character, values, and justice can you take away from the institution of the cities of refuge?
- 3. How can we apply the principle of providing for the vulnerable and those in need, as seen in the allocation of cities and land to the Levites, to our own communities and societies?

 What are the implications for caring for those less fortunate?
- 4. How do these chapters in Joshua contribute to our understanding of how God can bring order and justice?

MEMORY VERSE:

Hebrews 6:19-20a

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf."

A Landless Inheritance Joshua 20-21 1. Cities for 2. Cities of (20)Application: **Next Steps:** ☐ I am so thankful that we have sanctuary and refuge in Christ Jesus. ☐ My life is in disarray and I need a place to turn for safety and security. I need safe harbor in Christ Jesus. ☐ I understand that is was necessary for our High Priest (Jesus) to die in order to release us from our sin and guilt. Jesus hit the "reset" button. ☐ Like the Levites, I will try to be light and salt to the world through my

worship, witness, and service to God.