# Oakley Campus | Week at a Glance | 5/28-6/3

Sunday Service Times: 8:40, 9:50, and 11:00 AM or online at laurelridge.online.church

Sundays, Nursery/Preschool: 8:40, 9:50, and 11:00 AM

Sundays, Kids (K-6th) Services: 8:40, 9:50, and 11:00 AM Streaming online at 9:50 AM: "Ridge Kids" on YouTube

**THE RIDGE Community Group**: 9:50 AM (7-8<sup>th</sup> grades, 9-12<sup>th</sup> grades)

Tuesdays, Celebrate Recovery: 6 PM, Oakley Campus

Thursdays, Prayer Team: 5:30 PM, Conference Room

\*\*For all Nursery-12th Grade programs, contact brandon@laurelridgechurch.org

#### Bethel Island Campus | Week at a Glance Sunday Service Times: 11:00 AM Wednesdays, Bible Study: 7 PM, Fellowship Hall

For other opportunities and Community Group info, visit laurelridgechurch.org \*Register at laurelridgechurch.org/register

Oakley Campus Planner		
5/29: Office Closed Memorial Day 5/31: Mystery Dinner Night, Gr 8-12, 6-8pm 6/4: Make up VBS Training, 1pm, Gym 6/4: Spring Quarter Community Groups End 6/7: Summer Fun Game Night: Ice cream Social, Gr 4-7, 5-8pm *6/10: Men's Breakfast, 8-10:30am, Gym *6/10: Men's Breakfast, 8-10:30am, Gym *6/11, 18, 25, and 7/2: Student Next Steps, 9:50am, Room 301 *6/12-6/16: VBS 6/14: Summer Camp Meetings, 1pm or 6:15pm 6/18: Father's Day	6/21: Summer Fun Game Night: Giants Nights, Gr 4-7, 5-8pm 6/25-8/27: Summer Community Groups 6/28: "Medieval (K) nights", Gr 8-12, 6-8pm * 7/2-7: Kid's Sugar Pine Camp, Gr 2-6, \$560, \$100 deposits past due. Check for availability. 7/4: Office closed Independence Day 7/10: Mommy Meet Up, 9-11:30am, Gym *8/6: Next Steps, 9:30, Rm 301 *8/9: Ridge and Preteen Adventure Starts, 6:15pm *8/12: Grief Share Loss of a Spouse Seminar, 10 am 9/24: Baptism Sunday, 11am *9/3: Base Camp, 9:30am, Room 204	
6/20: Boomers Lunch Benicia, 11:30am	*9/10: Children Baptism Class, 12:10pm, Room 301	

Laurel Ridge Church: Seek God. Build Community. Unleash Compassion.



MIND WARS Your Thinking Shapes Your Life May 28, 2023

Big Idea:

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Key truth:

Our spiritual enemy will \_\_\_\_\_\_ our minds whenever and as often as he can, even though we might be a Christ follower.

# YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE TRUTH ABOUT YOUR MIND IN ORDER TO GAIN CONTROL.

# I. YOU MUST TAKE \_\_\_\_\_\_ OF YOUR MIND.

*2 Corinthians 10:3-5* - For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. <sup>4</sup> The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish <u>strongholds</u>. <sup>5</sup> We demolish <u>arguments</u> and every <u>pretension</u> that sets itself up against the <u>knowledge</u> of God, and we take captive every <u>thought</u> to make it obedient to Christ.

<u>"Strongholds"</u> means: To fortify, through the idea of holding safely, a castle.

The enemy uses that system of thought to establish claims against Godly truths that are only in your mind (with the goal to put the believer into bondage.)

*2 Corinthians 10:4* - The weapons we fight with are **not the weapons of the world**. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish **strongholds**.

The weapons that take control of your mind are \_\_\_\_\_\_ worldly or fleshly.

Spiritual warfare is not a battle with demons. It is a battle for the minds of people who are captive to lies that are in opposition to Scripture.

*Luke 10:19-20* - I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. 20 However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

## II. YOU NEED TO RENEW AND RECLAIM YOUR MIND

*2 Corinthians 10:5* - We demolish <u>arguments</u> and every <u>pretension</u> that sets itself up against the <u>knowledge</u> of God, and we take captive every <u>thought</u> to <u>make it obedient to Christ.</u>

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*Romans 12:1-2* - Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual act of worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.

*Philippians 4:8-9* - Finally, brothers, whatever is **true**, whatever is **noble**, whatever is **right**, whatever is **pure**, whatever is **lovely**, whatever is **admirable** – if anything is **excellent** or **praiseworthy** – <u>think about such things</u>. <sup>9</sup> Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

True thoughts

<u>Noble</u> : To Worship	
	: Think on what is righteous
<u>Pure</u> : Holy, morally clean	
	: Sweet, patient
<u>Admirable</u> : Good report	
Excellent or	: Excellent and praise

#### • <u>Homework:</u>

When you have a thought that is not consist with God's truth, hold it captive until it is removed.

#### • <u>Next Step:</u>

Pick up a reading or a memory plan on the tables on the way out.

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