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FOR
FEBRUARY

Welcome

URGENT MINISTRY NEED We believe God has called all of his people to use their gifts and serve in some capacity. We are currently in urgent need of volunteers in TreeHouse Kidz during both Sunday services. Eight new volunteers are needed to help fill spots and increase rotations. Will you help us? Email Sonja Menches at menchess@rivertreechristian.com or fill out a "Get Involved" card at the Welcome Center.

COUPLES VALENTINES DINNER / FEBRUARY 15 / 6:30-8:30PM

Looking for quality time with your spouse or significant other? We're hosting a Valentine's dinner for couples to enjoy a night to themselves. Students will serve our guests, and childcare will be provided for nursery-4th grade. Entertainment to follow dinner. Semi-formal attire is requested. This is a free event, but you must sign up after services or RSVP by emailing Linz Bishop linzcb34@gmail.com

MEN'S BREAKFAST / FEBRUARY 22 / 8AM All guys invited to meet us at the church where Brian Ziegler will share some of his testimony, and we will be discussing the future of the men's ministry in 2020. These quarterly meetings are great opportunities to share food and fellowship. Invite a friend to come with you. Sign up after services or RSVP via email to massillon@rivertreechristian.com

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY #2 / BEGINS FEBRUARY 24 / 9AM This 6-week study on the book of James explores topics such as taming your tongue, trials and temptations and putting faith into action. This is a great opportunity to meet new friends, have great discussions in a laid back setting. Bring is your Bible, and if you don't have one, they will help you get one. For info or questions, call or text Diana Colucci at 330.417.7607.

ONE SERVICE + BAPTISMS / MARCH 1 / 10:30AM If you want to take your next step of faith in following Jesus through water baptism talk with Pastor Anthony after services, fill out a "We Care" card at the Welcome Center, or email massillon@rivertreechristian.com.

NEW MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY Want to help be a blessing to our community? This could be cooking and preparing a meal, helping with yard work, painting a porch, or lifting something heavy for the elderly. Whether your gifting is hospitality or construction, your skills can be used. The commitment is simply that you would be willing to help out when available, and as needs arise. Each situation will be different, calling for different people to use their gifts. If interested, sign up with Jeff and Sue Jones at jsj@sssnet.com



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CONTINUING OUR SERMON SERIES



THE STORY: SEEING THE BIG PICTURE OF THE BIBLE If we are being honest, when it comes to the Bible, many of us have found ourselves confused. There's big names, crazy circumstances, miracles and famous stories. Sometimes we get lost when trying to figure out what it all means. But from Genesis to Revelation, cover to cover, the Bible is telling a BIG story. A big-picture view of the story of God and humanity, where it began, why we are here, what God is doing, and how things will end. So for 12-weeks, we will be looking at The Story that God is writing right before our eyes.

FEBRUARY 2 – THE WAGES OF SIN

READING / Genesis 3:8-4:11

God promised that if Adam and Eve disobeyed, death would be the consequence. When sin enters the world, everything becomes cursed. Death and decay begin to reign, not just in a physical way, but spiritually, relationally and even emotionally. Sin causes destruction in all of life.

FEBRUARY 9 – GOD'S PROMISED PLAN

READING / Genesis 3:15; 12:1-3

Even though sin brought a curse that led to the decay of God's good world, God begins to implement a plan for redemption. God didn't abandon his world or the people he loved but rather intended to rescue it. Abram becomes an early step in God's plan to make a people for himself, Israel, from whom the Messiah would eventually come to save the world.

FEBRUARY 16 – THE TIME HAS COME

READING / Mark 1:1-15

Centuries had passed since God had promised future redemption. But God's plan was finally being fulfilled through the birth of Jesus. Jesus, the Son of God and promised Messiah came into the world as a human being. He proclaimed the kingdom of God, teaching, healing and showing the world that a new age had dawned with his arrival.

FEBRUARY 23 – IT IS FINISHED!

READING / John 19:1-30

Jesus didn't just come as a teacher, healer, or miracle worker, he came to lay his life down on a cross, as the Savior of the world. Jesus never sinned, but took the sins of the world upon his shoulders, substituting himself in place of sinners. Through Jesus' life, death and resurrection, redemption and forgiveness are offered to all who would turn and trust in his name.

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