

Suggested Resources

Below is a list of resources that will help you dig deeper into the topic preached about this morning. However, while we recommend them, we do not necessarily agree with or endorse every word on every page. The only perfect book is the Bible so as you read these, practice discernment. In other words, "chew the meat and spit out the bones"!

- Ken Blue - *Authority to Heal: Answers for Everyone Who Has Prayed for a Sick Friend* (This week's "Pastor's Pick")
- Robby Dawkins - *Doing what Jesus Did*
- Charles Capps - *How to Activate the Power of God in Your Life*

Suggested Bibles

We teach from the Bible on Sundays and encourage you to read the Bible throughout the week. Here are a few recommended versions of it:

Quest Study Bible

"The Question and Answer Bible."

CSB Study Bible

The CSB Study Bible offers the award-winning Holman study system, which includes over 16,000 study notes, tools, word studies, and articles from respected Bible scholars.

Teen Life Application Study Bible

includes sections explaining what the Bible has to say about the questions and issues teens face in the *Choices*, *I Wonder*, *Ultimate Issues*, and *My Story* features.

Kids Quest Study Bible

contains over 500 questions that kids ask, "Quest Challenges" to help you apply what you read and more!

Plus... be sure to stop by the Info Table in our lobby and pick up a FREE copy of our Bible Reading Plan... as well as a FREE Bible!

// web: tevchurch.org // phone: 586.770.4712 //

// facebook: search "The Eastside Vineyard Church" //

// e-mail: info@tevchurch.org // blog: dankopp.wordpress.com //

It's Black-and-White For a Reason... One of our values is to be inwardly frugal so we can be outwardly generous. That's why this program is black-and-white and printed on plain paper. Printing them this way cuts our costs way down. So this program may not be fancy, but it gets the job done. This is one of the things we do that enables us to give away 23% of our budget to the poor and needy in our community and beyond.

THE **eastsidevineyard**[®]
CHURCH



Jesus the Healer

Week 2 of Series: Jesus the _____
November 5, 2017

We want people to encounter God on Sundays and not just "go to church." That is why today's 75-minute service will include an in-depth Bible teaching, communion, worship (feel free to stand or sit as we sing), and an opportunity to receive 1-on-1 prayer.

Jesus the Healer

(Dan Kopp - lead pastor of The Eastside Vineyard Church)

Notes:

Digging Deeper Questions

In our fast-paced culture, it's easy to be impacted by the sermon you hear at church on Sunday... only to forget about it by Monday. To make this message "stick" we created these Digging Deeper Questions so you can process and apply what you heard at church. Take some time this week to go through these questions by yourself, in your small group, with a friend, your family, or your roommate.

1. Icebreaker - November 5th marked the ending of Daylight Saving Time. What (if anything!) do you enjoy about it getting darker earlier? Have fun with this question!
2. Is there anything you heard in this week's sermon or experienced in this week's service that was an "a ha" moment, something significant for you?
3. Read Mark 1:29-31. When either you or a loved one is sick or has a fever, do you tend to think primarily of natural or supernatural ways to fight it? In other words, are you quick to take Advil or Tylenol Cold & Flu or are you quick to pray for healing? Explain.
4. Read Matthew 8:17. Matthew is referencing Isaiah 53, arguably the most famous prophecy about the crucifixion of Jesus (read Isaiah 53:1-12). When we think of Jesus' death on the cross, we tend to focus exclusively about how He died for our sins, and while that is of paramount importance, that is not the reason why Matthew quoted from Isaiah 53. The UBS Handbook Commentary says: "This is the only place in the Gospels where there exists an explicit reference to Isaiah 53, and it is noteworthy that it appears in relation to Jesus' acts of healing rather than to his suffering and exaltation . . . Matthew's concern, however, is to relate it solely to the healing activity of Jesus." What are your thoughts about this?
5. Christians can be "unbelieving believers." In other words, if the average American Christian prays for a sick person and he or she begins to feel better, they tend to dismiss the role their prayers played. Have you found yourself ever doing this? Give an example.
6. Read John 14:12. Jesus said we would do everything that He did while He walked the earth. In today's passage (Mark 1:29-34 Jesus healed someone who had a fever and then healed all the sick people in the town. If you are honest, do you believe you can do those same things by the power of the Holy Spirit? Why or why not?
7. In *Doing What Jesus Did* Robby Dawkins writes, "Our idea of success is the perfect healing, the clear prophetic word, the complete deliverance . . . God's idea of success is our obedience. God is after our obedience. When we're 'pushing to failure' it helps take our focus off the results as our measure of success." What are your thoughts on Dawkins' perspective, that we should redefine success as simply being obedient to God's command to pray for people's healing, while leaving the results to God?
8. In The Vineyard we like to say "faith" is spelled R-I-S-K. Who is someone you know that is currently fighting an illness or disease? Share the name of this person and then take a risk this week by asking that person if you can pray for them to be healed.

Key Passage:

Simon's mother-in-law was lying in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. So He went to her, took her by the hand, and raised her up. The fever left her, and she began to serve them.

- Mark 1:31-32 (CSB)