### Pastor Isaac Ramirez ~ December 31st, 2022 & January 1st, 2023

Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up: do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen. <a href="Isaiah 43:18-20">Isaiah 43:18-20</a> (NIV)

1. Don't dwell
Then Jesus gave them this illustration: "No one tears a piece of cloth from a new garment and uses it to patch an old garment. For then the new garment would be ruined, and the new patch wouldn't even match the old garment. And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. For the new wine would burst the wineskins, spilling the wine and ruining the skins. New wine must be stored in new wineskins."  Luke 5:36-38 (NLT)
2. Be present

A mirror reflects a man's face, but what he is really like is shown by the kind of friends he chooses. **Proverbs 27:19 (TLB)** 

Sow a thought and you reap an action;

Sow an act and you reap a habit;

Sow a habit and you reap a character;

Sow a character and you reap a destiny.

## ~Ralph Waldo Emerson

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"My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts," says the Lord. "And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts." Isaiah 55:8-9 (NLT)

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"But forget all that—it is nothing compared to what I am going to do. For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry wasteland. The wild animals in the fields will thank me, the jackals and owls, too, for giving them water in the desert. Yes, I will make rivers in the dry wasteland so my chosen people can be refreshed." <a href="Isaiah">Isaiah</a> 43:18-20 (NLT)

## For your own notes:

## **Daily Bible Readings**

Mon—Matthew 1//Tue—Matthew 2

Wed—Matthew 3//Thu—Matthew 4

Fri—Matthew 5:1-26//Sat/Sun—Matthew 5:27-48 & Matthew 6

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LET'S GO!

### **Weekend Service Times:**

Sat. at 6:15 p.m. & Sun. at 10:30 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.