

2025 Church Theme:

"Christians: Letting Go of the Past to Embrace the Present"
(Isaiah 43:18-19)

10:00 A.M. Order of Service

Devotion

First Baptist Church of Perris Deacons

Call to Worship/Affirmation Minister
Praise to Worship

Scripture Reading..... Minister
Welcome..... Hospitality
Two Minute Fellowship

Tithes, Offering & Benevolence..... Minister
Selection..... First Baptist Male Chorus
Altar Call Minister
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Message..... Pastor-Teacher Terry L. Wells
Call to Discipleship..... Minister
Benediction..... Pastor-Teacher Terry L. Wells

Sermon Outline Notes (Front)

Title: Renew Your Strength to Reach New Heights Next Year Isaiah 40:31 KJV

Main Point 1: The Expectancy in Waiting

- Explanation: The Israelites in Isaiah's time were weary from long exile, feeling abandoned and powerless. "Waiting upon the Lord" is defined as having active trust and confidence in God regarding the future, rather than being passive.
- Application: Just as the Israelites faced despair, we often feel weighed down by the year's challenges. We are invited to move from feeling grounded by struggles to actively placing our hope in God's timing.
- What we can learn: Struggles and seasons of waiting are not signs of abandonment; they are the "planting season" that requires patience before the harvest.

Main Point 2: The Expectancy of Renewal

- Explanation: Renewal (shall renew) means to reestablish something on a new, improved basis. God does not just restore what was lost; He provides a new strength that is better than before.
- Application: We must view our trials as transformative, like a caterpillar in a cocoon. Instead of retreating from "storms," we use them—like an eagle—to rise higher.
- What we can learn: The struggle itself is often what strengthens our "wings" for the next season; without the effort to break free, we cannot fly.

Main Point 3: The Expectancy to Rise Above

- Explanation: Renewal requires active engagement through daily spiritual habits and community. It is a collaborative effort between our choice to trust and God's power to provide.
- Application: We must cultivate a daily routine of prayer and scripture while surrounding ourselves with a community of believers.
- What we can learn: We are not meant to climb alone; like a team of mountain climbers, we reach new heights by supporting and encouraging one another.

Call to Action

- For the Christian: Commit to an "active wait" this week by setting aside dedicated time for prayer and scripture to reestablish your foundation on God's promises.
- For the Non-Christian: Recognize that you do not have to carry the heavy burdens of life alone; consider placing your trust in God as your ultimate source of resilience and strength.

Weekly Practical Guide: "Soaring into 2026"

Monday - Friday Daily Outline (For all ages)

- Focus: Shifting from weariness to hope.
- Practice: Identifying one "burden" and surrendering it in prayer.
- Reflection: How did the struggles of 2025 prepare me for 2026?
- Application: Actively wait on God's timing in a specific area of life.

Sermon Outline Notes (Back)

Age Group

Daily Application / Reflection Focus

5–8

Focus: Trust. Draw a picture of an eagle. When you feel scared, remember God helps you fly high.

9–12

Focus: Perseverance. Think of the butterfly. What is one "hard thing" at school that is making you stronger?.

13–15

Focus: Influence. Who is a friend that feels "weary"? Share a word of encouragement with them today.

16–18

Focus: Vision. "The future belongs to those who believe in their dreams." What is one dream you are trusting God with?.

19–24

Focus: Foundation. Reestablish your routine. Start one new habit (prayer or reading) to "renew" your mind.

25–35

Focus: Community. Connect with a "climbing team"—a group or friend who can help you reach new heights.

36–46

Focus: Resilience. Like the eagle in the storm, identify a current "wind of adversity" and ask God to help you rise above it.

47–61

Focus: Transformation. Reflect on how God has "reestablished" you in the past. Use that history to fuel your hope for next year.

62–90

Focus: Legacy. Share a story with a younger person about a time God renewed your strength when you felt faint.

Ages 2–4: Color-In Activity

Instructions for Parents: Print or draw a large outline of an Eagle with its wings spread wide. Tell the child: "God makes us strong like the eagle!" Let them color the feathers golden and blue to represent God's strength and the sky.



First Baptist Church Members focus on reaping the benefits of God's Word, with the goal of cultivating spiritual fruit in our character, conduct, and actions that lead others to Christ. We aspire to be a beacon of positivity towards Jesus Christ, embracing our Church, Community, Co-Workers, City, and Country through the principles encapsulated in the acronym F.R.E.S.H. & V.A.L.U.E.

FRESH

- F** – Forget the Past (Isaiah 43:18)
- R** – Repent Immediately (1 John 1:9)
- E** – Embrace Change (Isaiah 43:19)
- S** – Study the Scriptures (2 Timothy 2:15)
- H** – Happy Giver (2 Corinthians 9:6-9)

VALUE

- V** – Vigilant of People Harmful Actions (3 John 9)
- A** – Avoid Those Who Do Evil (3 John 10)
- L** – Lead by Following What is Good (3 John 11)
- U** – Unite by Supporting Those Who Act Righteously (3 John 11)
- E** – Exemplify Good Behavior from Others (3 John 11)