This Week's Fighter Verse: Feed Your Soul by Memorizing

<u>Scripture</u>! Each week's '*Fighter Verse*' is meant to help you "fight the good fight" of faith. This year's fighter verses are drawn from our weekly catechism (See "The New City Catechism")

Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶ that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith-- that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

This week's Catechism # 40 What should we pray?

The whole Word of God directs and inspires us in what we should pray, including the prayer Jesus himself taught us.

Next week's Catechism # 41 What is the Lord's Prayer?

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

"The God Who Heals"

(John 5:1-18)

Two things drew people to Jesus: His _____ and His _____

- I. A ______ by the pool vv1-9

 These broken people put their hope in a pool
 But hope was standing right there v6
 Jesus ______ him and knew his need (See Ex 2:25)
 Jesus words change this man's life vv8-9. Ours too Eph 5:14

 II. ______ the Point vv9-15

 What law did this man break? Ex 31:14 ; Jer 17:21-22
 What do the religious leaders miss in their response v12?

 They miss the fact that he has been ______
 Jesus is also concerned about this man's ______ v14
 What could be worse than a lifelong disability?
 Mt 5:29-30 ; Mk 8:36-37
 Did this man come to saving faith? v9,14-15
- III. What this healing reveals to us about _____ Jn 20:31
 - (1) He tells them God is His _____ v17
 - (2) He tells them the work he's doing is the same work they see

_____ doing every day v17

- The Law shows us what _____ looks like Mt 12:11-12 • It looks like
- Are they right to believe Jesus is claiming to be God?
 - Yes John 10:32-33 ; John 1:1-14
 - How will you respond? Rm 10:9

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - October 4

Worship	9:00 AM
(Please enter/leave w mask & strict social dis	stancing)
Worship (less strict social distancing)	10:45 AM

WEDNESDAY - October 7 - Prayer Meeting	7:00 PM
FRIDAY - October 9 - Baby Shower for Mysti Jackson	7:00 PM
SATURDAY - October 10 - Men's Breakfast	8:00 AM
SUNDAY - October 11 - Deacon Ordination	7:00 PM

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal	\$4,284.00
September Weekly Average	\$4,790.83

Announcements

- Nursery If you are willing to serve in the nursery during the 10:45 hour please let Mayci Loving know. We will only be able to restart the nursery when we its safe and we have enough volunteers to fill out the schedule for at least one month.
- Wednesday, October 7- Prayer meeting at 7 PM
- Friday, October 9 at 7PM Baby Girl Shower for Mysti Jackson Ladies, please join us for a baby girl shower Friday, October 9 at 7 pm at Rockport. Mysti (who is due around Thanksgiving) is registered at Target and Amazon. If you would like to go in on a gift for Mysti please let Cindy Boehm know TODAY! See e-mail on Rockportnews for more details!

■ Saturday, October 10 at 8 AM - Men's Breakfast

- Sunday, October 11 at 7 PM Deacon Ordination/ Commissioning Service - There will be a deacon ordination/commissioning on Sunday evening, Oct 11 at 7 PM for Greg Chastain, Mark Stoner, Brad Tompkins. Please plan on joining us.
- We plan on showing the new "American Gospel: Christ Crucified" video here at Rockport. There is more information and a brief survey available about it on Rockportnews.

Kids' Listening Sheet (10/4/20)

Message Title: "The _____ Who Heals"

Bible Passages: John _____



Key Words: Circle each word every time you hear it.

Authority	Gate	Pool	Sheep
Angel	Mat	Dead	Legs
Carry	Sabbath	Law	Beans
Work	Father	Bible	Follow

What are three important things you heard during the sermon?

1.

2.

3.

Draw two pictures that show what you heard today:

1.

2.

A Word from Pastor Scott:

Sunday October 4, 2020

⁹ Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
¹⁰ Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread, ¹

 $^{\rm 2}$ and for give us our debts, as we also have for given our debtors.

¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Matthew 6:9-13

Given where we are in our catechism on the topic of prayer, I'm reminded of the way Martin Luther taught his people to pray. He knew he could do no better than point them to that place Jesus where taught his disciples to pray – *the Lord's Prayer*. With our great need for prayer today, I thought it might be helpful to summarize some of what the great Reformer taught. Luther said:

Our Father in heaven. With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask of their dear father.

Hallowed by your name. God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also. God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!

Your kingdom come. The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also. It comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also. God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die.

Give us this day our daily bread. God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this

petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving. Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

And lead us not into temptation. God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

But deliver us from evil. We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

Amen. We say the amen that we might be certain that such prayers are acceptable to our Father in heaven and will be granted, for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and thus promises to answer us. Amen means "Yes, let it happen in this way." Amen and Amen. May God teach us to pray with such firm confidence and hope.

Pastor Scott

October 4, 2020

Welcome / Call to Worship

"Jesus, My Only Hope"

Words and Music by Mark Altrogge © 2002 Sovereign Grace Praise CCLI #801260

I come into Your presence with nothing in my hands. I only bring thanksgiving for Jesus, God, and Man. I cast myself on mercy, I cast myself on love. I trust Your gracious promise to wash me with Your blood.

I will not fear Your judgment. For me, no wrath I dread. For it was spent on Jesus, poured out upon His head. When Satan's accusations make my poor heart afraid. I hear my King declaring, "Father, that debt is paid!"

Jesus, my only hope, my only plea. My righteousness, my Great High Priest, Who intercedes for me before the throne. Jesus, I trust in You alone.

Though I am poor and naked. Your prodigal come home. You place Your robe upon me, Your holiness alone. Though I be dry and barren, by grace this love springs forth, love for You and Your Kingdom, joy in Your glory, Lord.

"All My Ways Are Known to You"

by Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren, Dustin Smith © 2016 CityAlight Music CCLI #801260 In days of peace and days of rest In times of loss and loneliness Though rich or poor, Your word is true That all my ways are known to You

No trial has come beyond Your hand No step I walk beyond Your plan The path is dark outside my view Still all my ways are known to You

And oh what peace that I have found Wherever I may be For all my ways are known to You Halleluiah, they are known to You

I do not fear the final night For death will be the door to life You take my hand and lead me through For all my ways are known to You

Open up my eyes so I may see That You have made these ways for me Open up my eyes so I may see That You my God, will walk with me

Catechism

"Psalm 34 (Taste And See)"

by Shane Barnard and Joe Rigney © 2019 River Oaks Music Co CCLI #801260 I sought the Lord And He answered me And delivered me From every fear

Those who look on Him Are radiant

They'll never be ashamed They'll never be ashamed

This poor man cried And the Lord heard me

And saved me from My enemies

The Son of God Surrounds His saints He will deliver them He will deliver them

Magnify the Lord with me Come exalt His name together Glorify the Lord with me Come exalt His name forever

Taste and see That the Lord is good Oh blessed is he Who hides in Him

Oh fear the Lord Oh all you saints He'll give you everything He'll give you everything

Apostle's Creed / Lord's Supper

"I Will Glory in My Redeemer"

by Steve and Vikki Cook © 2000 Sovereign Grace Worship CCLI #801260

I will alory in my Redeemer Whose priceless blood has ransomed me Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails And hung Him on that judgment tree I will glory in my Redeemer Who crushed the power of sin and death My only Savior before the Holy Judge The Lamb Who is my righteousness

I will glory in my Redeemer My life He bought, my love He

owns I have no longings for another I'm satisfied in Him alone I will glory in my Redeemer His faithfulness my standing place Though foes are mighty and rush upon me

My feet are firm, held by His grace

I will glory in my Redeemer Who carries me on eagles' wings He crowns my life with lovingkindness His triumph song I'll ever sing

I will glory in my Redeemer Who waits for me at gates of gold And when He calls me it will be paradise

His face forever to behold His face forever to behold

"Mv Worth Is Not In What I Own"

By Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Graham Kendrick © 2014 Getty Music Publishing CCLI #801260

My worth is not in what I own Not in the strength of flesh and bone But in the costly wounds of love At the cross

My worth is not in skill or name In win or lose, in pride or shame But in the blood of Christ that flowed At the cross

I rejoice in my Redeemer Greatest Treasure, Wellspring of my soul I will trust in Him, no other.

My soul is satisfied in Him alone.

As summer flowers we fade and die Fame, youth and beauty hurry by But life eternal calls to us At the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might Or human wisdom's fleeting light But I will boast in knowing Christ At the cross

Two wonders here that I confess My worth and my unworthiness My value fixed - my ransom paid At the cross

■ Message - John 5:1-18 "The God Who Heals!" - Scott

■ Closing Song - "O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer" Music and Words by Nathan Stiff © 2017 Sovereign Grace Worship CCLI #801260

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, greatest treasure of my longing soul My God, like You there is no other; true delight is found in You alone Your grace, a well too deep to fathom Your love exceeds the heavens' reach Your truth, a fount of perfect

wisdom My highest good and my unending need

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, strong defender of my weary heart My sword to fight the cruel deceiver and my shield against his hateful darts My song when enemies surround me, my hope when tides of sorrow rise My joy when trials are abounding Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, gracious Savior of my ruined life My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders In my place You suffered bled and died You rose! the grave and death are conquered You broke my bonds of sin and shame O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer May all my days bring glory to Your Name

Benediction