

May 2, 2021

■ **Welcome / Call to Worship**

■ **“Oh How Good It Is”** Words and Music by Keith & Kristyn Getty, Ross Holmes, and Stuart Townend © 2012 Gettymusic and Parakeet Boots Music and Townend Music CCLI #801260

Oh how good it is When the family of God Dwells together in spirit In faith and unity. Where the bonds of peace, Of acceptance and love Are the fruit of His presence Here among us.

So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord And with one heart we'll live out His word Till the whole earth sees The Redeemer has come For He dwells in the presence of His people.

Oh how good it is On this journey we share To rejoice with the happy And weep with those who mourn. For the weak find strength The afflicted find grace When we offer the blessing Of belonging.

Oh how good it is To embrace His command To prefer one another Forgive as He forgives. When we live as one We all share in the love Of the Son with the Father And the Spirit.

■ **“Abide With Me”**

Words by Henry Lyte alt by Justin Smith, Music by Justin Smith. © 2007 Justin Smith Music CCLI #801260

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head in early youth didst smile And though rebellious and perverse meanwhile Thou hast not left me off as I left Thee On to the close Lord abide with me

I need Thy presence every passing hour. What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be? Through clouds and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless, Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes. Shine thro' the gloom and point me to the skies. Heav'n's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

■ **Scripture**

■ **“It is Finished, Tetelesti”** by James Needham CCLI#801260

It is finished, It is finished, Tetelesti The beauty of the double meaning phrase He ceased from His labor and so have I Now resting only in His grace

It is finished, It is finished, Tetelesti The Son of Man succeeding where I failed The wrath of God now satisfied

In Jesus, my Emmanuel

It is done, He's alive And He is able to bring us life

In three days, He will rise Tetelesti

It is finished, it is finished, Tetelesti My hope found in the Savior's words alone He willingly laid down His life And gloriously He rolled away the stone

It is finished, it is finished, Tetelesti No longer need I labor for His love For Christ fulfilling the law of God Was deemed by God to be enough

It is finished, It is finished, Tetelesti The wedding bells of freedom now ring Your sons and daughters will testify Now to you, Jesus, we will sing

We will sing We will sing We will sing

On Christ the solid rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

■ **Confession of Apostles Creed / Lord's Supper**

■ **“Nailed to the Cross”**

By Bryan Fowler and Jonathan Smith © 2017 Musical Moodswing, Rend Family Music CCLI #801260

When I stand accused by my regrets And the devil roars his empty threats I will preach the gospel to myself That I am not a man condemned For Jesus Christ is my defense

My sin is nailed to the cross My soul is healed by the scars The weight of guilt I bear no more Praise the Lord, praise the Lord

When my doubt and shame hang over me Like the arrows of the enemy I will run again to Calvary That rugged hill of hell's defeat My fortress and my victory

My sin is nailed to the cross My soul is healed by the scars The weight of guilt I bear no more Praise the Lord, praise the Lord

My sin is nailed to the cross My soul is healed by the scars

Now I'm alive forevermore Praise the Lord, praise the Lord

It is finished, sin is vanquished Hallelujah, praise the Lord All the glory, all the honor To my Savior, Christ the Lord It is finished, sin is vanquished Hallelujah, praise the Lord All the glory, all the honor To my Savior, Christ the Lord

When I stand before the throne at last His blood will plead my innocence I will worship Him with holy hands And raise the song that never ends Of Jesus Christ, my righteousness

Oh praise the Lord, praise the Lord

■ **“And Can It Be?”**.....Hymn 203

And can it be that I should gain An int'rest in the Savior's blood Died He for me, who caused His pain For me, who Him to death pursued Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me

**Amazing love! How can it be,
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?**

He left His Father's throne above So free, so infinite His grace
Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race:
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, For O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, Fast bound in sin and nature's
night; Thine eye diffused a quickening ray I woke, the dungeon
flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;
Alive in Him, my living Head, And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th' eternal throne, And claim the crown, through
Christ my own.

■ **Message** - "The Truth That Sets You Free" John 8:31-36 – Scott

■ **Closing Song** - "Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"

by Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren © 2018 CityAlight Music CCLI #801260

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer There is no more for
heaven now to give He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly
bound to His Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side, the
Savior He will stay I labor on in weakness and rejoicing For in my
need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me Through the
deepest valley He will lead Oh the night has been won, and I shall
overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven The future sure, the
price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever
is my plea Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus For He has said that
He will bring me home And day by day I know He will renew me Until
I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to Him

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:

Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

■ **Benediction**

A Word from Pastor Scott

May 2, 2021

*"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for
reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of
God may be complete, equipped for every good work"*

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Today, after more than a year, we are finally able to return to
Children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Study. That's been a big
goal for some time, and something many of us have truly missed! So
thank you to all our teachers for stepping up to help us return to
regular Sunday morning Bible teaching! And if you were not able to
join us today, why not plan on coming next Sunday and joining us at
9:30. Good things happen when God's people gather to study His
Word.

A quick word about our adult classes. For the next two weeks,
there will be only two adult classes. Bake Ottofy will teach a mixed
adult class in the large classroom downstairs (first door on the right,
and then right at the end of the hall). Jason Woelm will teach a
combined men's and women's class (May 2nd and 9th) in the
Auditorium. Then on May 16th, Amy will begin to teach the women's
class in the Fellowship Hall, and Jason will continue with a men's
class in the auditorium.

Tren Groat has returned to teach the young men's class (Jr and
Sr High), and Terri Stoner is teaching the young women (Jr and Sr
High). Beyond that, there are classes for every age of children: Infants
(Cindy Boehm); 2-3 yrs (Erin Pfleegor); 4-5 yrs (Mayci Loving); 1st -
2nd Grade (Warren Kesselring); 3rd-4th Grade (Molli Gunby); 5th- 6th
Grade (Kyle Davis).

We could still use qualified people who are willing to serve as
assistant teachers and as subs when our teachers need to be out. If you
are interested, please let one of the elders know.

Reaching, Teaching, Training Hearts to Glorify God.

Pastor Scott

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - May 2

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:40 AM

This Week's Fighter Verse: Feed Your Soul by Memorizing Scripture! Each week's '*Fighter Verse*' is meant to help you "fight the good fight" of faith. This week's passage has been our theme verse for our conference and is one every Christian should know by heart.

John 8:31-32

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.....	\$4,341.00
April Weekly Average.....	\$5,223.50

Announcements

- **Pictorial Directory** - Please see Jessica Roberts today if you have not gotten your picture in for the directory.
- **Sunday Schedule** - As of today we have returned to our old schedule
 - Sunday School at 9:30 (thank you SS teachers)
 - Worship at 10:45 with nursery for children thru 2 yrs old
- **Saturday, May 8** - Men's Breakfast at 8 AM. Jason Woelm will bring the word.
- **Wednesday, May 12** - Our next prayer meeting will be Wednesday May 12 at 7 PM
- **Friday, July 30** - Women's Workshop - Front Line Apologetics
Friday, July 30 from 4-9 PM Registration begins in May

“True Freedom”
(John 8:30-36)

I. True freedom belongs to _____ who abide in
His word vv31-32

(1) A true disciple is a man or woman of _____ v31

- To abide means _____
 - Because you love Christ, you will _____ His word
- Where do you hear Jesus’ voice? Jn 10:27
We must abide in Him daily Jn 15:4-7

(2) A true disciple will live in the _____ of Christ v32
What kind of freedom is this? Rm 6:17-18, 22 ; 8:2 ; Gal 5:1

II. Those who deny their bondage to sin can never know the
_____ v33

- Beware a false assurance based on religious heritage
 - Saving faith does not come by mere inheritance
- Jn 3:3 ; 1 Pet 1:23

How do you respond to Christ’s offer of freedom?

Those who refuse to acknowledge their bondage can never be _____

III. True Freedom from slavery to sin comes only when Christ
_____ vv34-36

(1) Jesus warns us about the nature of our _____ v34
Every sin you sin is a _____ seeking control over
your life

(2) Sin’s goal is to keep you trapped in the _____ so
you’ll never see your need for the _____ v35

- Eph 2:12
- Slaves have no permanent residence. Sons have everything.

“The Son” = _____

(3) The Son shares his _____ as Son with us who abide in
Him vv35-36

- “indeed” = really, truly, completely
- Jesus as Son has power to reclaim us and claim us as Sons

Lk 4:18 ; John 1:11-12

The freedom to walk with God Rm 6:11-22

Kid’s Listening Sheet (5/2/21)

Message Title: “True _____ ”

Bible Passages: John 8: _____



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

Bible	Freedom	Disciple	Love
Sin	Monster	Walk	Truth
Slave	Free	Son	Joy
Hope	Home	Gospel	Abide

What are three important things you heard during the sermon?

1.

2.

3.

Draw two pictures that show what you heard today:

1.

2.

The Truth Shall Make You Free (John 8:30–36)

A B I D E A P B E E N
H U M A N S W E R E D
F E F B S W D L C A I
R T L R L A W I O R S
E R Y A A N R E E E C
E U J H V Y E V B M I
V T W A E O B E E A P
V H R M D N T D C I L
F O R E V E R Y O N E
M U P P O Y U V M Y S
L S L A V E L O E N F
J E S U S R Y B U R F

ABIDE	ABRAHAM	ANSWERED
ANYONE	BECOME	BEEN
BELIEVED	DISCIPLES	ENSLAVED
EVERYONE	FOREVER	FREE
HOUSE	JESUS	REMAIN
SLAVE	TRULY	TRUTH

