

April 28, 2024

■ **Welcome / Announcements / Call to Worship**

■ **“By Faith”** by Keith Getty, Stuart Townend, Kristyn Getty © 2009 Getty Music Publishing CCLI #801260

By faith we see the hand of God In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth With the power of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand A place where peace and justice reign

**We will stand as children of the promise We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done We'll walk by faith and not by sight**

By faith the prophets saw a day When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go In the power of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news In every corner of the earth

By faith this mountain shall be moved And the power of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible For all who call upon His name

■ **Scripture Reading - Romans 10:13-21**

■ **Mission Moment – Michael Hawkins**

■ **Offering / Prayer**

■ **“Free from the Law, O Happy Condition”** Words and Music by © CCLI #801260

Free from the law, O happy condition, Jesus hath bled, and there is remission;
Cursed by the law and bruised by the fall, Grace hath redeemed us once for all.

**Once for all, O sinner, receive it, Once for all, O friend, now believe it;
Cling to the cross, the burden will fall, Christ hath redeemed us once for all.**

Now we are free, there's no condemnation, Jesus provides a perfect salvation;
"Come unto Me," O hear His sweet call, Come, and He saves us once for all.

"Children of God," O glorious calling, Surely his grace will keep us from falling;
Passing from death to life at His call, Blessed salvation once for all.

■ **Confession / Lord's Supper – Prayer of Confession**

Our Heavenly Father,

We praise you for the good news of your Son Jesus

Who died to set us free from our sin

We confess that we each have gone astray

We have sinned in our thoughts, words and deeds

Help us, by your Holy Spirit,

to turn from these sins

Give us faith to trust in you through Christ

To know that our debt has been forgiven

and the guilt of our sins washed away.

Give us an assurance that through faith in Jesus

we will be welcomed into our eternal home

at the hour of our death.

Help us to live daily, here and now

as people who belong to you

and are waiting for the Day of Redemption.

Lead us by your Holy Spirit to walk by your grace

to depend on your promises

and to rest in your love

as we serve in your Name.

Amen

■ **“Nothing But the Blood”**.....Hymn 195

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus; What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow;

No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my pardon this I see, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; For my cleansing, this my plea, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; Naught of good that I have done, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

■ **“In Christ Alone”**

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In Christ alone, my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone - who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
“Til on that cross, as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am

His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ
No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No
power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand; 'til
He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

■ **Message:** **“By Faith Like Abraham”**
 Pastor Scott - (Galatians 3:6-9)

■ **“There Is A Fountain”**.....Hymn 196
There is a fountain filled with blood Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood Lose all their guilty stains: Lose
all their guilty stains, Lose all their guilty stains; And sinners plunged
beneath that flood Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see That fountain in his day,
And there have I, though vile as he, Washed all my sins away: Washed
all my sins away, Washed all my sins away; And there have I, though
vile as he, Washed all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood Shall never lose its pow'r,
Till all the ransomed Church of God Be saved to sin no more: Be saved
to sin no more, Be saved to sin no more; Till all the ransomed Church of
God Be saved to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme And shall be till I die: And shall be
till I die, And shall be till I die; Redeeming love has been my theme And
shall be till I die

When this poor lisping, stam'ring tongue Lies silent in the grave,
Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing Thy pow'r to save: I'll sing Thy
pow'r to save, I'll sing Thy pow'r to save; Then in a nobler, sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save

■ **Benediction**



Pastors/Elders

Scott Lee
Kyle Davis
Warren Kesselring

Deacons

Don Arbogast Herman Meyer
Kurt Boehm Alex Starkey
Greg Chastain Mark Stoner
Ray Gawlik Brad Tompkins
Scott Larson

Worship Leaders

Stuart McMillian
Luke McAllister

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. Memorize it and use it for the good of your soul!

Galatians 3:7-9 (ESV)

⁷ Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. ⁸ And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "In you shall all the nations be blessed." ⁹ So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.



Coffee or Tea for Three: *May/June/July*

Getting to Know You Fellowship: *May 3 | 7-9pm*

Summer Book Discussion: Making Sense of Forgiveness: *May/June*

How to Study the Bible: *Beginning in May*

Coffee/Tea Fellowship: *August 17 | 10 am - 12 noon*

The **ACTS 4 FUND** at Rockport is to help our members in need. It's funded by designated offerings and administered by the deacons. If you're led to contribute to this fund, please designate

"By Faith Like Abraham"

(Galatians 3:6-9)

I. Abraham is the Poster-Child for Justification by _____
_____ vv 6-7

Context Matters Gal 3:1-5

How was Abraham justified in the sight of God? v 6

How are you? Ps 24:3-5; Rm 3:10

"Works of the Law" or "Hearing with Faith"?

Abraham's Story Gen 12:1-3; 15:2-6; Rm 4:18 - 5:1

What happened to Abraham must happen to _____. Rm 4:3-5

II. It was Always God's plan that we be justified by _____
and not _____. v 8

How were people saved in the Old Testament?

(1) Notice the High Status Paul gives to _____

- Scripture foresaw

- Scripture preached the Gospel beforehand to Abraham

Gen 3:15; 12:3; 22:18

(2) The Bible preached the _____ in Advance to
Abraham

(3) The Promise is not just for Abraham, but also for _____.

- Gen 12:3 + Gen 18:18; 22:18

- Matthew 28:18; Rev 5:9

III. It is those from every Nation who share the _____ of
Abraham who will receive the _____ of Abraham v 9

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

Sunday, April 28, 2024

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:40 AM
Marriage Class	6:00 PM

Today's Greeters - Dave Winkeler & Anja Woelm

Today's Tellers - Jennifer McMillian & Mysti Jackson

Today's Nursery - Jennifer McMillian & Kristy Booker

Please Note: Nursery care during worship is for children up through age 2

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.	\$5,689.00
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March Weekly Average	\$6,910.47
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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Women's Discipleship Ministry Events/Opportunities**
Coming Soon - May through August (see inside page)
- **"Operation Parsonage Property"** - Saturday, May 18th
8am to Noon (see Greg Chastain for details)
- **SEMO Scripture Fest** - "The Gospel Revealed" May 17 & 18
at FBC Park Hills, MO (for more info, contact the Pfleegors)

A Word from Pastor Scott:

Sunday April 28, 2024

"Just as Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"

Galatians 3:6 (See also **Gen 15:6**)

As I was preparing this week's message, I kept remembering a line from an old Rich Mullins song called **"Sometimes By Step."** In the second verse of that song, Mullins wrote, *"Sometimes I think of Abraham, how one star he saw had been lit for me."* Do you recognize that reference? In Genesis 15, Abraham was struggling to hold on to God's promise that He would give him an heir through whom He would bring a blessing to the whole world. Abraham first responded to that promise back in Genesis 12:1-3 and followed the Lord from his homeland in Mesopotamia to the Promised Land. But years had passed and the promise had not materialized. Abraham began to question how God could fulfill it. His wife Sarah was still barren, and he himself was pushing 100. Finally, he could take it no more. He cried out to God, "O Lord, what will you give me, for I continue childless! You have given me no offspring" (Gen 15:2-3). It was then the Lord took him outside under the night sky and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars if you are able. For so shall your offspring be." And Abraham "believed the LORD and it was counted to him as righteousness" (Gen 15:6).

Paul uses this event from the life of Abraham to illustrate how justification is by faith alone, not by works of the Law (Gal 3:6-9). For just as Abraham believed God and was counted as righteous, so must we. Our works do not save us. It is trust in God's promise that saves! But that's not all. Paul goes on to say that it is those who share the faith of Abraham who are the true descendants of Abraham (Gal 6:7). Which takes us back to that Rich Mullins' song. As Abraham stood looking at that innumerable starry host, trying to count the number of his future descendants, one of those points of light, according to Paul, represented me as one who would come to faith in Christ and receive a share in the blessing promised to Abraham! By faith, we are now heirs of God's promise.

Rejoicing to be children of father Abraham by faith.

Pastor Scott

Title: "By _____ like Abraham"

Bible Passage: Galatians 3 _____



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

Law	Gift	Faith	Seed
Son	Story	Stars	Abraham
Bible	Woman	Christ	Offspring
Believe	Nations	Tribes	Blessing

What are three important things you heard during the sermon?

1.

2.

3.

Draw two pictures that show what you heard today:

1.

2.

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ABRAHAM	BEFOREHAND	BELIEVED
BLESSED	COUNTED	FAITH
FORESEEING	GENTILES	GOSPEL
JUST	JUSTIFY	KNOW
NATIONS	PREACHED	RIGHTEOUSNESS
SAYING	SCRIPTURE	THEN