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

week's '<u>Fighter Verse</u>' is meant to help you "fight the good fight" of faith. Memorize it and use it for the good of your soul!

Galatians 4:4-5 (ESV)

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

And as a bonus passage Galatians 4:6-7 (ESV)

⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

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 your offering and amount accordingly



Monday Night Fellowships

June 24, July 15 & 29, and August 12 5 PM (Eat at 5:30 PM)

"From Slavery to Sonship" (Gal 4:1-7)

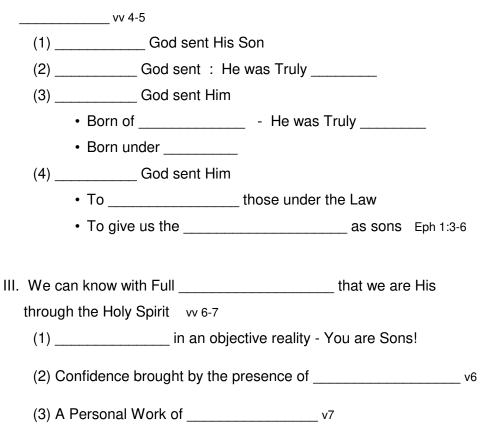
- I. The Slavery that was ours ______ vv 1-3
 - (1) The Illustration: Those destined to be heirs start out in

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- Gal 3:23-25
- Hos 11:1-3

Ruled over by Guardians and Managers!

- How Long? Gal 3:23-24
- (2) The Application: We too were in _____ Eph 2:1-3
- II. Christ Came to end our slavery and give us _____



THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

Sunday, June 23, 2024

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:40 AM
The Ambassadors Music Team	6:00 PM

Today's Greeters - Kyle Davis & Dave Winkeler *Today's Tellers* - Jennifer McMillian & Mysti Jackson *Today's Nursery* - Victoria Bartels & Ellen Bonnel

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
May Weekly Average	\$7,577.03

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Fundraiser to benefit Hand 'N Hand Pregnancy Care Center Please remember to Return the Baby Bottles with your donation to the Basket in the Entryway... Please return any unused Baby Bottles, as well. Thank you!
- A huge Thank You to everyone that participated in Trivia Night for Psalm 67 Mission Network!!
- *"The Ambassadors"* Music Team from Rio Grande Bible College will be with us tonight at 6pm. We hope you can join us!
- Summer Monday Night Fellowships Mark your calendars and join us on June 24, July 15, July 29, and August 12. We will gather any time after 5pm and will plan to eat at 5:30pm. For more details, reach out to Phoebe, Athena, or Heather.
- Kid's 5-Day Club July 8th-12th at 3:30 to 5pm (more details to come)
- Wedding Shower for Kim Lee & Jason Hayden Sunday evening, July 21st at 6pm... all men, women, and children are welcome! More information to come.

A Word from Pastor Scott: Sunday June 23, 2024

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. - Galatians 4:4-5

Paul Washer tells the story of an old country preacher he once heard who, about halfway through his message stopped and shouted, "*Wow! We really do have ourselves a God!*" I was thinking about preacher as I was preparing this week in Galatians 4. The more I read, the more I thought, "*We really do have ourselves a God!*" This wonderful passage tells us what He has done to rescue rebel slaves like us and make us His beloved sons through faith in Christ!

I won't try to preview the whole message here, but as a foretaste, notice four things Paul tells us about what God did in sending His Son.

(1) Notice <u>When</u> God Sent Him. It says "*in the fulness of time*." God worked faithfully throughout history, in Israel and beyond, to prepare the way for His Son. And when the time was fully right, Christ came!

(2) Notice <u>Who</u> God Sent. It says He "sent forth His Son." These words picture God the Son coming forth from eternity at the Father's side to enter this world of pain and sin and become our Savior. He was always there. Then He came here.

(3) Notice <u>How</u> He Was Sent. Paul tells us first, He was born of woman. Though He had always been God at the Father's side, when Christ came into this world He did so through the womb of a virgin, becoming man – truly man, just like us, and so able to bear our sin! But second, He was born under the Law. He was not just any man, He was a Jewish man born under the obligation to keep the Jewish Law, which He alone was able to do in perfect obedience to God (4) Notice <u>Why</u> He Was Sent. Paul says, "To redeem those under the Law." Christ became a curse for us in order to bear the curse in our place (Gal 3:13). But that's not all. Not only did He bear our curse to bring us out of slavery, He also brought us to God in a new relationship as His sons, adopted by grace! June 23, 2024

Welcome / Announcements / Call to Worship

• "Before The Throne"

Words by Charitie Less Bancroft, alt. lyrics and music by Vikki Cook © 1997 Sovereign Grace Worship CCLI #801260

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea A great High Priest whose name is love Who ever lives and pleads for me My name is graven on His hands My name is written on His heart I know that while in heaven He stands No tongue can bid me thence depart No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair And tells me of the guilt within Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin Because the sinless Savior died My sinful soul is counted free For God, the Just, is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb My perfect, spotless,

Righteousness The Great unchangeable I AM The King of Glory and of Grace One with Himself I cannot die My soul is purchased by His blood My life is hid with Christ on high With Christ my Savior and my God With Christ my Savior and my God

Scripture Reading - Romans 14:1-12

■ Offering / Prayer

 "The Goodness of Jesus" by Fiona Aghajanian, Harrison Druery, Michael Farren, Jaywan Maxwell, Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson CCLI #801260

Come you weary heart now to Jesus Come you anxious soul now and see There is perfect love and comfort for your tears Rest here in His wondrous peace

Oh the goodness, the goodness of Jesus Satisfied He is all that I need May it be, come what may, that I rest all my days In the goodness of Jesus

Come find what this world cannot offer Come and find your joy here complete Taste the living water, never thirst again, Rest here in His wondrous peace

Come and find your hope now in Jesus He is all he said he would be Grace is overflowing from the Saviour's heart Rest here in His wondrous peace

- Confession / Lord's Supper <u>The Nicene Creed</u>
- *P:* We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.
- *C:* We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
- P: He is God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one substance with the Father; through whom

all things were made.

- C: For us and our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
- P: He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, suffered death and was buried.
- C: On the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures;
- P: He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
- C: He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
- *P:* We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
- C: Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified And who has spoken through the prophets.
- *P:* We believe in one holy universal and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
- C: We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.
- "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

• "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 '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 quick'ning ray I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee 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 Bold I approach th' eternal throne, And claim the crown, through Christ my own

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

Message: "From Slavery to Sonship" Pastor Scott - (Galatians 4:1-7)

• "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

By Robert Robinson, adapted by Margaret Clarkson, Music by John Wyeth CCLI# 801260

Come Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the Mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come; And I hope by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee: Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

Oh that day when freed from sinning I shall see Thy lovely face Full arrayed in blood-washed linen How I'll sing Thy Sovereign Grace Come my Lord no longer tarry Bring Thy promises to pass For I know Thy power will keep me 'Til I'm home with Thee at last

Benediction



<u>Pastors/Elders</u> Scott Lee Kyle Davis Warren Kesselring

Worship Leaders Stuart McMillian Luke McAllister

Deacons

Don Arbogast

Greg Chastain

Kurt Boehm

Ray Gawlik

Scott Larson

Herman Meyer Alex Starkey Mark Stoner Brad Tompkins

Kid's Listening Sheet (6/23/24)

 Title: "From Slavery to _____"

 Bible Passage: Galatians 4:_____"



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

Dance	Slave	Son	Love
Free	Child	Father	Woman
Man	Law	Joy	Born
Mary	Adam	Daddy	Spirit

What are three important things you heard during the sermon?

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Draw two pictures that show what you heard today:

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Sons and Heirs (Galatians 4:1–7)

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