

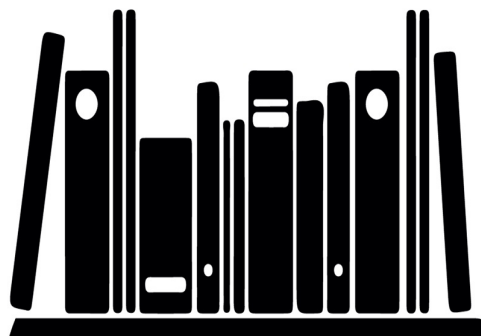
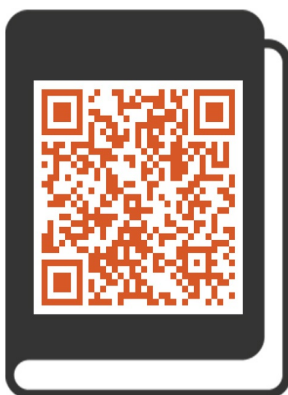
This Week's Fighter Verse: Feed Your Soul by Memorizing Scripture! Each week's **'Fighter Verse'** is meant to help you "fight the good fight" of faith. Memorize it and use it for the good of your soul! .

Jude v 3-4 (ESV)

³Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints. ⁴For certain people have crept in unnoticed who long ago were designated for this condemnation, ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into sensuality and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

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"Contend for the Faith"

(Jude 3-4)

I. The reason Jude has to write this _____ Letter v3a

- This is not the letter he wanted to write!
- His motive for writing is _____ Eph 4:15

II. We must contend for the _____ of the Gospel v3b

This is a spiritual war with spiritual weapons of _____

2 Cor 10:4-5

Notice it is THE _____ =

(1) The Faith is a body of truth _____ to us as Christians

2 Tim 2:2; 1 Cor 15:1-4; 2 Thess 2:15; 1 Tim 6:20-21

(2) This Ancient Faith has been delivered " _____ "

(3) This Once-for-All faith is the common treasure of the True _____

- The Place of Creeds

III. The Danger of Those who _____ this Gospel Faith v4

(1) They are under God's _____ 2 Pet 2:1; Lk 17:2

(2) They are _____ 2 Pet 3:7

(3) They pervert _____ into and excuse to sin Rm 6:1-2

(4) They deny the _____ of Christ Lk 6:46

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

Sunday, January 19, 2025

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

Today's Greeters - Herman Meyer & Michael or Erin Pfleegor

Today's Tellers - Kim Fels & Darla Ferguson

Today's Nursery - Amy Lee & Phoebe Davis

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

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.....	\$6,710.00
December Weekly Average.....	\$7,212.38

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Systematic Theology** – tonight at 6pm. We will be looking at “The Knowability of God”.
- **Our Next Prayer Meeting** – Wednesday, January 22nd at 7pm
- **D-Group Study of 1 Peter** – will begin in February. More info coming.
- **Bluegrass Hymn Sing** – Friday, February 21st with our brothers & sisters from Heritage of Grace. We will have a dessert fellowship to follow. Mark your calendars... More details to come!
- **Pre-Conference** (held here at RBC) for the 2025 Midwest Founder's Conference – February 24th at 6pm and February 25th at 8:30am – 4 sessions to discuss “A Deep Dive Into Baptism” with Dr. James Renihan
- **2025 Midwest Founder's Conference** – February 25th & 26th at FBC Fenton
- **Grace Bible Conference** is coming – April 4th- 6th with Dr. Nathan Currey “Biblical Counseling: Gospel Solutions for Life”

A Word from Pastor Scott:

Sunday January 19, 2025

“Now after this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth”

Acts 18:1

Acts 18:1 is certainly not the most exciting verse in the New Testament, but it is a reminder how the Apostle Paul traveled extensively throughout the land of Greece during his Second Missionary Journey. Because he did, the Gospel was heard and churches were planted in places like Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea, Athens and Corinth (See Acts 16-18).

For more than thirty years I have been studying and teaching others about these journeys Paul made and the letters he wrote during those journeys – letters like Philippians, 1-2 Thessalonians and 1-2 Corinthians. Now, through the kindness of the Lord and an unexpected provision (as well as the insistence of our deacons and the other elders), Amy and I will have the opportunity to visit some of these places for ourselves. Some may remember that provision had been made for us to travel to Israel last year with a group of fellow pastors from our association. That trip had to be postponed and then cancelled due to the war in Gaza. This opportunity was opened in place of that trip.

Amy and I will leave tomorrow morning with a group from “Travel with Friends” for a “Footsteps of Paul” tour of New Testament sites in Greece. Our journey will include the following cities:

Tuesday and Wednesday we will visit Athens (Parthenon, Mars Hill, etc)

Thursday we will travel to Ancient Corinth

Friday is a tour of Delphi, followed by Meteora Monastery on Saturday

Sunday takes us to Veria (Berea) and Thessaloniki (Thessalonica)

Monday we will travel to Kavala (aka Neapolis) and Philippi

Tuesday we will see Vergina (Ancient capital of Macedonia) then to Athens

On Wednesday, we depart from Athens and return home.

We are grateful for this opportunity to visit these places, but will certainly miss you all!

Pastor Scott (and Amy)

January 19, 2025

■ **Announcements / Baptism**

■ **Call to Worship**

■ **“Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah”** Psalm 146 arr by Lowell Mason CCLI#801260

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises Of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, Nor for help on man depend;
He shall die, to dust returning, And his purposes shall end.
Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;
He is blest whose hope of blessing On the Lord his God is stayed.
Heaven and earth the Lord created,
Seas and all that they contain; He delivers from oppression,
Righteousness He will maintain.
Food He daily gives the hungry, Sets the mourning prisoner free,
Raises those bowed down with anguish, Makes the sightless eyes to see.
Well Jehovah loves the righteous,
And the stranger He befriends, Helps the fatherless and the widow,
Judgment on the wicked sends.
Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises Of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever, Through all ages He is King;
Unto Him, thy God, O Zion, Joyful hallelujahs sing.

■ **Scripture Reading** - 1 Cor 7:8-16

■ **Offering / Prayer**

■ **“O Help My Unbelief”**

Words by Isaac Watts, Music by Justin Smith © 2007 Justin Smith Music CCLI #801260

How sad our state by nature is! Our sin, how deep it stains! And
Satan binds our captive minds Fast in his slavish chains But there's a
voice of sov'reign grace, Sounds from the sacred word: "O, ye
despairing sinners come, And trust upon the Lord."

My soul obeys th' almighty call, And runs to this relief I would believe
thy promise, Lord; O help my unbelief! To the dear fountain of thy blood,
Incarnate God, I fly; Here let me wash my spotted soul, From crimes of
deepest dye.

Stretch out Thine arm, victorious King, My reigning sins subdue; Drive
the old dragon from his seat, With all his hellish crew. A guilty, weak,
and helpless worm, On thy kind arms I fall; Be thou my strength and
righteousness, My Jesus, and my all. But there's a voice of sov'reign

grace, Sounds from the sacred word: "O, ye despairing sinners come,
And trust upon the Lord."

■ **Confession / Lord's Supper – The Nicene Creed**

*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.**

■ **“How Firm a Foundation”** CCLI L #801260

How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord Is laid for your faith in His
excellent Word What more can He say than to you He hath said To you
who for refuge to Jesus have fled

Fear not I am with thee oh be not dismayed For I am thy God and will
still give thee aid I'll strengthen thee help thee and cause thee to stand
Upheld by My righteous Omnipotent hand

When through the deep waters I call thee to go The rivers of sorrow
shall not overflow For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless And
sanctify to thee thy deepest distress

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie My grace all-sufficient

shall be thy supply The flame shall not hurt thee I only design Thy dross
to consume and thy gold to refine

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not, I will not
desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake

■ **“I Hear the Words of Love”** by Horatius Bonar Hymns of Grace 195 CCLI #801260

I hear the words of love, I gaze upon the blood,
I see the mighty sacrifice, And I have peace with God.

‘Tis everlasting peace! Sure as Jehovah's Name;
‘Tis stable as His steadfast throne, Forevermore the same.

The clouds may come and go And storms may sweep my sky; This
blood-sealed friendship changes not; The cross is ever nigh.

My love is oft-times low, My joy still ebbs and flows; But peace with
Him remains the same; No change Jehovah knows.

I change, He changes not, The Christ can never die;
His love, not mine, the resting place, His truth, not mine, the tie.

■ **Message:** *“Contend for the Faith” – Pastor Scott*
(Jude 3-4)

■ **Closing Song**

■ **Benediction**



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Kid's Listening Sheet (1/19/25)

Title: "Contend for the _____"

Bible Passage: Jude _____

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



Fight	War	Battle	Sword
Faith	Chiefs	Bible	Evil
Power	Believe	Creed	Worm
Godly	Truth	King	Soldier

What are three important things you heard during the sermon?

1.

2.

3.

Draw two pictures that show what you heard today:

1.

2.

Contend for the Faith Jude 3-4

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EAGER	FAITH	FOUND
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LORD	MASTER	NECESSARY
ONCE	ONLY	PEOPLE
PERVERT	SAINTS	SALVATION
SENSUALITY	UNGODLY	UNNOTICED