

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!

2 Corinthians 7:1

7 Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God.

Grace Bible Conference

April 4-6

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"Nitty Gritty Faith"

(James 1:26-27)

The _____ of what we claim is seen in what we _____

I. The value of what we claim is seen in our _____

- If the gospel has done nothing to _____ in your tongue, the gospel has done nothing to _____ in your heart.

II. The value of what we claim is seen in our _____

- Broad biblical definition: "Kindness show to those who do not _____ it and cannot _____ it"
- God shows special concern for _____, _____, and sojourners. (Deut 24:17-22)

III. The value of what we claim is seen in our _____

- In the world... (Jn 17:15-17)
- ...but not of the world (2 Cor 6:17-7:1)

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

Sunday, March 30, 2025

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

Today's Greeters - Stephanie Tompkins & Marilyn Chandler

Today's Tellers - Herman Meyer & Tren Groat

Today's Nursery - Jennifer McMillian & Gwyneth Pfleegor

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
February Weekly Average.....\$7,978.66

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Grace Bible Conference** is coming – April 4th- 6th with Rev. Nathan Currey “Biblical Counseling: Gospel Solutions for Life”
- **Rockport's Fellowship Meal & Semi-Annual Meeting** - Due to Grace Bible Conference being on the first Sunday, the “First Sunday Fellowship Meal” for April will be immediately following Morning Worship and before the Semi-Annual Meeting on Sunday, April 13th
- **Good Friday Celebration / Concert** - Friday, April 18th at 7pm
- **Save the Dates for upcoming Baby & Wedding showers**
Friday, April 25th for Paige (& Nate) Baechle (Baby)
Friday, May 16th for Julian (& Will) Pierce (Baby)
Saturday, June 7th for Tony Koranda & Sydney Dinwiddie (Wedding)
- **Mark your Calendars – Rockport's Annual Family Camp** dates have been set for Thursday, September 25th through Sunday, September 28th. Watch for more details!

A Word from Pastor Warren

Sunday, March 30, 2025

*“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,
teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom.”*

Colossians 3:16a

We live in a day that has de-stigmatized therapy and other forms of counseling. The good side of this is more people are willing to reach out for help as they deal with mental and relational struggles; the bad side is we may think secular science has all the answers and only professionals can give them. In reality, the Bible directly addresses many of the inner struggles we face and God intends for every believer to be a part of helping each other face them.

These are some of the basic convictions of what is known as Biblical Counseling. As in any area of study and practice, there is wisdom and skill to be gained through study and experience – and we praise God for men like our Grace Bible Conference speaker, Rev. Nathan Currey, who has been leading and training in a biblical counseling ministry for over sixteen years.

Our fundamental belief, however, is that counseling is not just for professionals. This is part of what Rev. Currey hopes you will see. Counseling is a normal expression of the discipleship we should all be given and receiving. Every Christian is called to counsel – to let the Word of God fill us richly and then overflow to each other with wise, helpful, faith-filled words. It is the Word of God and the Spirit of God, given to every believer, that makes us competent to counsel.

The concepts we review should not be new. Rockport has long been distinguished by a deep trust in the sufficiency of Scripture, the centrality of the church, and the need for change that reaches all the way into the heart. Yet we hope this year's GBC will fill you with a fresh confidence as you see how God's Word can be applied to God's people in all the messy details of life.

PARTNERING FOR YOUR JOY – PASTOR WARREN

March 30, 2025

■ **Announcements / Baptism**

■ **Call to Worship**

■ **“There Is Power in the Blood”**Hymn 191

Would you be free from the burden of sin? There’s pow’r in the blood, pow’r in the blood; Would you o’er evil a victory win? There’s wonderful pow’r in the blood.

There is pow’r, pow’r, wonder working pow’r In the blood of the Lamb; There is pow’r, pow’r, wonder working pow’r In the precious blood of the Lamb.

Would you be free from your passion and pride? There’s pow’r in the blood, pow’r in the blood; Come for a cleansing to Calvary’s tide; There’s wonderful pow’r in the blood.

Would you be whiter, much whiter than snow? There’s pow’r in the blood, pow’r in the blood; Sin stains are lost in its life giving flow There’s wonderful pow’r in the blood.

Would you do service for Jesus your King? There’s pow’r in the blood, pow’r in the blood; Would you live daily His praises to sing? There’s wonderful pow’r in the blood.

■ **Scripture Reading** - 1 Cor 10:23 - 11:1

■ **Offertory Prayer**

■ **“On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand”**

Words by Samuel Stennett. Music by Christopher Miner ©1997 Christopher Miner Music CCLI #801260

On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand, And cast a wishful eye
To Canaan’s fair and happy land, Where my possessions lie.

All o’er those wide extended plains, Shines one eternal day; There
God the Son forever reigns, And scatters night away.

I am bound (I am bound) I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound for the promised land,

I am bound (I am bound) I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound for the promised land.

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath Can reach that healthful
shore; Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, Are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place, And be forever blessed? When
shall I see my Father’s face, And in His bosom rest?

■ **Confession / Lord’s Supper**

Confession based on Isaiah 64:1-9

Pastor: *Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that
the mountains would tremble before you, as when fire sets
twigs ablaze and causes water to boil, Come down to make
your name known to your enemies and cause the nations to
quake before you!*

Congr: **Since ancient times no one has heard, no ear has
perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who
acts on behalf of those who wait for him.**

Pastor: *You are the help of those who gladly do what is right, who
remember your ways But when we continue in our sin you
are angry! How can we continue in sin and be saved?*

Congr: **All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our
righteous acts are like filthy rags; We all shrivel up like
a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away**

Pastor: *No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; For
you have hidden your face from us and made us waste away
because of our sins.*

Congr: **But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and
you are our potter; we are the work of your hands. Do not
be angry beyond measure, O LORD, Do not remember our
sins forever. Look upon us with mercy, we pray, for we are
your people! Forgive us our sins**

Pastor: *Thus we remember the promise in 1 John 1:9*

Congr: **If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our
sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Pastor: *And we rejoice in the hope of Psalm 103:11-13*

Congr: **For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his
love toward those who fear him; As far as the east is from
the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD
shows compassion to those who fear him.**

■ **“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!

■ **“Lord, With Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee”**

Words by Francis S. Key, Music by John H. Wilcox Redeemer Music CCLI #801260

Lord, with glowing heart I'd praise Thee For the bliss Thy love bestows, For the pard'ning grace that saves me, And the peace that from it flows; Help, O God, my weak endeavor; This dull soul to rapture raise; Thou must light the flame, or never Can my love be warmed to praise.

Praise, my soul, the God that sought thee, Wretched wand'rer far astray; Found thee lost, and kindly brought thee From the paths of death away; Praise, with love's devoutest feeling, Him who saw thy guilt-born fear, And, the light of hope revealing, Bade the blood-stained cross appear.

Praise thy Saviour God that drew thee To that cross, new life to give, Held a blood-sealed pardon to thee, Bade thee look to Him and live; Praise the grace whose threats alarmed thee, Roused thee from thy fatal ease, Praise the grace whose promise warmed thee, Praise the grace that whispered peace.

Lord, this bosom's ardent feeling Vainly would my lips express; Low before Thy footstool kneeling, Deign Thy suppliant's prayer to bless: Let Thy love, my soul's chief treasure, Love's pure flame within me raise, And, since words can never measure, Let my life show forth Thy praise.

■ **Message: “Nitty Gritty Faith!”**

Pastor Warren – James 1:26-27

■ **Closing Hymn**

■ **Benediction**



Pastors/Elders

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