

Life Application Questions

- ❖ *How do you measure success? What kind of wealth are you seeking?*
- ❖ *In what areas might you be blinded to reality?*
- ❖ *Where does your life need to be purified more deeply?*
- ❖ *What door in your life do you need to open for Jesus so that you might experience a deeper relationship with Him ?*

Sermon audio and notes are available online at
www.rockfordreformedchurch.org/sermons-2/

Prayer Fellowship

Recovery & Intercession:

- ~**Medical concerns of various Haiti individuals, especially Jorvens.**
- ~**Carol Riegling** scheduled for surgery (Endarterectomy) at U of M Feb 10.
- ~**Elaine Pierson** is in Hospice care at Raybrook Manor.
- ~**Dave Mundwiler** – tumor is stable, continues treatment.
- ~**Bill Boyd** continues dialysis and awaits a transplant.
- ~**Ray Dulyea** continued prayer his kidney “numbers” will not change.
- ~Be in prayer for **disaster victims**, and **people searching for jobs**.
- ~Pray for our military: **Emily Bowers, Nick Welch** and all military personnel.

Extended Family:

- ~**Carrol Orton** (Sharon Dulyea’s sister) undergoing chemo treatments.
- ~**Nancy Kingma** (cousin of Pomrankas) undergoing chemo treatments.
- ~**Brandon Homrich** (Newkirk’s son-in-law) found new tumor, doing even more aggressive chemo.
- ~**Kathy Lambers** (friend of Bergman’s) 6th battle with Leiomyosarcoma.
- ~**Barry Lambers** (Kathy’s husband) paralyzed waist down. Some movement in left leg.
- ~**Helen Heemstra** (Terri Katsma’s mom) undergoing chemo treatments.

Welcome!

We are glad you’re here! We want your experience to be a good one, so we have put together a bit of info to help you know what to expect while you are here.

Our worship service: Thanks for joining us today! We will begin the service with singing. Feel free to stand, sing, or just listen as we express our worship to God. If you don’t know the songs, don’t worry, just follow along with the words on the screen!

The message: This is a time of practical teaching from the Bible. Often, multi-media presentations are incorporated to supplement the message. There is space in the bulletin to take notes if you wish.

The offering: This is a time to share with the church how God has blessed us financially. If you are visiting, don’t feel you have to contribute. The only thing we’d like from you is your connections card (bulletin insert).

Prayer time: We will pray together a couple of times throughout the service.

Refreshments: Join us for coffee in the lobby after service! Visitors may pick up a complementary gift mug and welcome packet. If you have any questions, this is the place to find answers!

Childcare: Your children are welcome to remain with you throughout the service! We love that our church is a welcoming place for families. We do have a nursery for children ages 0-3 years if you would prefer to use that. We also have a parent-infant room near the back of the sanctuary for fussy children and nursing mothers. Children ages 3-7 are invited to participate in Children’s Worship, an age-appropriate worship and learning time. Children start service with their parents and will be dismissed part way through. If you are unfamiliar with this program, you are encouraged to accompany your kids the first time. They can be picked up after each service in Room 112 on the lower level. Children 8 and older are encouraged to remain in the service with their parents. Children’s bulletins are available.

Formality: We have no dress code. Whether you are in jeans or a tux, we’re just glad you’re here! You are also welcome to sip your coffee or read along with scripture passages on your mobile devices. We just ask that you silence your phones as a courtesy to others.

To learn more about our ministries and beliefs, be sure to pick up a welcome packet in the lobby or visit our website: rockfordreformedchurch.org.

Vision: To always be a living reflection of Christ’s hands, feet, and voice in the community.

Mission: To connect people to Jesus Christ and encourage them to grow in their relationship with Him through worship and fellowship, so they will reach out to serve and disciple others for the glory of God.

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Sunday, February 12, 2017

Worship @ 8:45am & 11:00am

Oh God

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS OF WORSHIP

Manifesto, I Surrender All, Praise to the Lord

Children (ages 3 years - 3rd grade) are invited to KidLife Worship downstairs

OFFERING

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 3:14-22 (p.935)

MESSAGE

“The Seven Churches in Revelation: Finding Life in Christ Alone”

Pastor Paul Bradford

RESPONSE

Build Your Kingdom Here

CLOSING BLESSING

Today’s Nursery Volunteers:

(8:45am) Cherri Pastula, Sarah & Olivia (11:00am) Trisha Van Stensel, Becki Pilko, Anya Fanberg

Today’s KidLife Worship Volunteers:

(8:45am) Emillie Clayton, Kennedy Huffman (11:00am) Megan DeVries, Leigh Verburg

Next Sunday:

“Loving Others Toward Christ: Being Hospitable” • Pastor Tony Campbell

What's Going On?

Today:

8:20am: Prayer in Room #212 to pray over the services. All welcome!

10:00am: Sunday School for all ages:

- **Ages 3 – DK** meet in Classroom #111
- **Grades K-5th grade** meet in Classroom #101
- **Middle School** (grades 6-8) Youth Room #153
- **High School** (grades 9-12) Classroom #246
- **Adults:** "Reformation Overview" – a video series led by Phil Knapp (Rm#253).

Blood Pressure Screening after both services (Rm #211)

12:15pm: New-Comer's Lunch in the Fellowship Hall

12:30pm: Haiti Mission Trip Info Meeting (Fireside Rm#253). Interested in joining the RRC Team on their annual Mission Trip to Haiti? Trip dates are July 5-12. It is a life-changing experience. Contact Rachel DeKuiper for info @ 874-3399 or rmdekuiper@rockfordschools.org

6:30pm: High School Youth Group. Meet in the Youth Room #153

This Week:

Mondays, 6:30-7:30pm: Weekly Prayer Meeting in the sanctuary.

Tuesdays, 7:00am: Men's Prayer Breakfast. Join us any time.

Tuesdays, 9:30-11am: Women's Bible Study – "Speaking Wisely," led by Marcia Coleman and Jean Boyd in Rm #212.

Wednesday Night Activities:

6:00pm **Simple Supper**, 6:30pm **KidLife Club** (ages 3 years – 5th grade)

6:30pm **Middle School Youth Group**

6:45pm **Adult Classes**

- "Letter to the Hebrews – Part 2" – Co-ed class led by Pastor Paul. Fireside Rm #253
- "Women of the Bible, Part 2" – Women's study led by Polly Johnson. Rm #250

Last Thursday/month, 7:00-8:30pm: Ladies Book Club. Fireside Rm #253.

Feb Book: *The Quaker Cafe* by Brenda Devan Remmes. **Next meeting Feb 23.**

Every other Saturday, 7:30-8:30am: Men's Study Breakfast. "Manhood Restored" by Eric Mason. In the Fireside Rm #253. **Next meeting Feb 18.**

Announcements/Events - GENERAL:

Mailboxes and bulletin boards are in the church office hallway.

Communion: 1st Sunday of every month

Leaders & Helpers needed for Nursery & KidLife Worship. Contact Beth Jennings at beth@rockfordrc.org or call 866-2308.

Sat, Feb 25, 1:00pm: Adult Singles Group. Lunch at Bravo's then to church for games and dessert in the Fireside Room. RSVP w/Carol @ 866-4845.

Sun, Feb 26, 12:15pm: Fundraiser Dinner & a Movie (Disney's Lilo & Stitch). Join us for a great meal & fun movie. Donations benefit the High School Youth.

Fri, March 3, 6:15-9:00pm: Trivia Night. (6:15 appetizers, 7pm Trivia). Registration is free at rockfordrc.org/trivia-night or sign-up in the lobby at church (deadline is Feb 26). Childcare by our Youth Ministry. Donations accepted.

Fri, March 3, 6:00-9:00pm. Parent's Night Out. Drop off your kids (ages infant – 5th grade) and enjoy a few hours of freedom. Snacks provided. RSVP to Beth Jennings at 866-2308 or beth@rockfordrc.org. Donations go toward youth accounts.

Mentors needed for Kids Hope! Contact Emillie Clayton, emillie@rockfordrc.org

On-line Giving: You can give directly from your phone or computer! There's a link to the form on the front page of our website www.RockfordReformedChurch.org



Announcements/Events - YOUTH:

Brian Ellis: brian@rockfordrc.org

Sunday School at 10:00am: **MS** (Youth Room #153), **HS** (Rm #246)

NO MS Sunday School on Feb 12 due to Retreat

MS meets on Wednesdays @ 6:30pm, **HS** meets on Sundays @ 6:30pm

HS Fundraiser Dinner & a Movie: Sun, Feb 26 following the 11am service.

Announcements/Events - CHILDREN:

Children's Ministries – Beth Jennings, Director: beth@rockfordrc.org

KidLife Club – Laura Jolliffe, Director: laura@rockfordrc.org

KidLife Sunday School for ages 3 through 5th grade at 10:00am

KidLife Club (formerly Pioneer Clubs)

Wednesdays: 6:00pm Simple Supper, 6:30pm Club

Attendance / Finance:

Last week's attendance: 268

Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$11,118.69

Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$1,790.00

Finding Life in Christ Alone

7th in Series: *The Seven Churches of Revelation*

Text: Revelation 3: 14-22

Sunday: 2/12/2017

Intro

God's Word

① The _____ church is marked by...

- a loss of _____
- a loss of _____
- a loss of _____
- a loss of _____

② The _____ church...

- is _____, not conforming
- is truly _____
- _____ rightly
- is deeply _____

③ Jesus yearns for his church to come into _____

_____ with him, so that we might partake of the _____ that comes from _____.

Our Response

Respond to Jesus' invitation to deep _____ with

him so that you might be _____ and

_____.