

Life Application Questions

- ❖ Do you truly understand that your good works are filthy rags, that you are not good enough to come to God, that your good works contribute nothing to your salvation, and that Christ's work and Christ's work alone has provided all you need for salvation from your sins and from death?
- ❖ Do you rest deeply in God's unconditional and unfailing love, knowing that he loves you fully right now, in spite of all the mess in your life, and that he will fully love you forever?
- ❖ Do you trust in Christ alone for your salvation from sin and death? Do you trust in God's grace alone to provide all you need to be saved? And do you affirm that you take hold of that grace by faith alone and not by any good work that you have done?
- ❖ What words, actions and attitudes can you walk in this week that will show forth your new creation in Christ Jesus?

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

Prayer Fellowship

Recovery & Intercession:

- ~Ken Westrate is home after being hospitalized and emergency surgery.
- ~Gary Gingrich had knee replacement surgery on Sept 19.
- ~Scott Weir is home recovering with a broken neck & leg after an accident.
- ~Medical concerns of various Haiti individuals, especially Jorvens.
- ~Sharon Dulyea MRI was "normal." Pray for continued healing.
- ~Carol Riegling is on oxygen & consulting with doctors.
- ~Elaine Pierson is in Hospice care at Raybrook Manor.
- ~Dave Mundwiler – MRI results show tumor is stable. Continues treatments.
- ~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, Phil Scholten, Nick Welch** and all military personnel.

Extended Family:

- ~Brandon Homrich (Newkirk's son-in-law) diagnosed with Burkitts Lymphoma. Has started very aggressive chemo.
- ~Sarah Degen (Yurick's daughter) undergoing radiation.
- ~Kathy Lambers (friend of Bergman's) 6th battle with Leiomyosarcoma.
- ~Barry Lambers (Kathy's husband) suffered spinal injury, paralyzed waist down.
- ~Helen Heemstra (Terri Katsma's mom) undergoing chemo treatments.
- ~Jan Lapp (Tyler's mom) is undergoing chemo treatments for stomach cancer.

Sympathy is Expressed to:

Steve & Nancy Steenwyk at the death of Nancy's mother, **Hermine Witteveen**, 10/17

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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Rockford Reformed Church
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Sunday, October 30, 2016

Worship @ 8:45am & 11:00am

Manifesto

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONGS OF WORSHIP

Rejoice, My One Comfort, A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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

OFFERING

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 2:1-10 (p.890)

MESSAGE

"The Five Solas: By Grace Alone"
Pastor Paul Bradford

RESPONSE

Grace Alone

CLOSING BLESSING

Today's Nursery Volunteers:

(8:45am) Cherri Pastula, Sarah/Olivia (11:00am) Trisha VanStensel, Becki Pilko, Anya Fanberg

Today's KidLife Worship Volunteers:

(8:45am) Emillie Clayton, Kennedy Huffman (11:00am) Nancy Steenwyk, Leigh Verburg

Next Sunday: "The Five Solas: Grounded in God's Word"
2Timothy 2:15 & 3:14-17 (p.906) • Pastor Paul Bradford

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:** "Faith & Politics – Our Past, Present, & Future," led by Ryan DeKuiper in the Fireside Room #253

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 – "Discover Isaiah," led by Marcia Coleman and Jean Boyd in Rm #212.

Wed, Nov 2, 10:00am: Adult Fellowship Group meet in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, goodies, and great conversation. All welcome!

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**

- "Christianity, Cults, & World Religions" – Co-ed class led by Pastor Paul. Fireside Rm #253
- "Keep It Shut" – Women's study led by Polly Johnson. Rm #250

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

November Book: *South of Superior* by Ellen Airgood. Next meeting is Dec 1.

Every other Saturday, 7:30-8:30am: Men's Study Breakfast. "A Man and His Traps." Meet in the Fireside Rm #253. Next meeting – Nov 12.

Announcements/Events - GENERAL:

Mailboxes and bulletin boards are in the church office hallway.

Communion: 1st Sunday of every month

Sun, Nov 6: Fundraiser Dinner & Silent Auction in the gym following the 11am service. Please contact Brian Ellis if you can donate items for the silent auction. This is a fundraiser for the Middle School Youth to raise funds for church events/mission trips.

Sun, Nov 6 – Daylight Saving Time Ends



RRC is looking for a new Kids Hope Director. This position includes recruiting, training, and equipping volunteers from within the congregation to go into Valley View Elementary to mentor children. A sheet with more information is on the table in the office hallway. A **HUGE** thank you to **Audrey Shantz** for her service to RRC and Kids Hope!!

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes: Pick up a box in the lobby and a flyer/envelope with information on how to pack your box. *Deadline to return boxes is Nov 13.*

Sun, Nov 13, 3pm: Family Movie Event. Owlegories. Popcorn provided.

RRC Cran-Hill Ranch Family Camp Weekend: Aug 25-27, 2017. RSVP with Sharon Dyllea @696-0577 to reserve your spot. Deadline is Nov 6! *Join us for a fun-filled weekend in God's great outdoors!*

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)

MS Griffins Red Kettle Game: Nov 11, 6-9:45pm. *Please turn in your event form by Nov 6.*

MS Fundraiser Dinner: Nov 6. Sign up for your spot to serve.

HS All-Nighter at 3 Mile Project: Nov 4-5

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: 238

Last week's Ministry & Missions offering: \$9,384.40

Last week's FLC Debt Reduction offering: \$535.00

By Grace Alone

1st in Series: The Five Solas

Text: Ephesians 2:1-10

Sunday: 10/30/2016

Intro

God's Word

① **God made us _____ even when we were _____.**

② **We are saved by _____ through _____.**

③ **Love, salvation, grace and faith are _____ from God; none are _____ by our good works.**

④ **Good works are the _____ of salvation, not the _____ of salvation.**

Our Response

Rest joyfully in God's _____ and _____, and _____ into the truth that you are created in Christ to do _____!