



# Welcome!

**April 25, 2021**

"If the Son sets you free... you are free indeed!" -John 8:36

## Our Worship Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Worship through Song

Immortal Invisible

Build My Life

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Worship through Prayer

Worship through Scripture

A Call to Family Living | 1 Peter 1:22-2:3 | Pastor Scott

Worship by Responding

Take My Life and Let it Be

Refiner's Fire

Worship by Going

**\*\*If you'd like to *worship by giving*, there is an offering box in the back.  
You can also give through the app and web page\*\***

### **Colorado Freedom Church**

6862 Galley Road | Colorado Springs, CO 80915

[www. ColoradoFreedomChurch.com](http://www.ColoradoFreedomChurch.com)

719-387-1618

Sundays: Kids and Youth; 5-6 pm; Grades K-12

## **Announcements:**

- Visit the App Store or Google Play and download the FC App!
- Please consider setting up recurring online giving through the app or web page.
- If you are interested in partnership, please pick up an information packet at the information table.

## **Upcoming Events:**

- May 6: National Day of Prayer; Church Facility open for prayer from 8 am to 3 pm.
- May 9: Mother's Day
- May 30: Lunch with the LEAD Team
- July 18-21 Connect Conference @ Maranatha Camp; register at [weareberean.org/events](http://weareberean.org/events)
- September 16: Back to Church Sunday

## **Prayer Matters**

*For God wanted them to know that the riches and glory of Christ are for you Gentiles, too. And this is the secret: Christ lives in you. This gives you assurance of sharing his glory. So we tell others about Christ, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all the wisdom God has given us. We want to present them to God, perfect in their relationship to Christ.*

Colossians 1:27-28 (NLT)

### **Berean Church**

Haxtun, CO – Haxtun Berean Bible Church (Rick and Colleen)

### **Global Outreach**

The Olsen's – India

### **Other**

**A Call to Family Living | 1 Peter 1:22-2:3**  
**Pastor Scott Maxon | Colorado Freedom Church**

*<sup>22</sup> You were cleansed from your sins when you obeyed the truth, so now you must show sincere love to each other as brothers and sisters. Love each other deeply with all your heart.*

*<sup>23</sup> For you have been born again, but not to a life that will quickly end. Your new life will last forever because it comes from the eternal, living word of God.*

*<sup>24</sup> As the Scriptures say,  
“People are like grass;  
their beauty is like a flower in the field.  
The grass withers and the flower fades.  
<sup>25</sup> But the word of the Lord remains forever.”  
And that word is the Good News that was preached to you.*

We must stop grasping at the temporary, and begin focusing our time, money, and energy on the permanent—the Word of God and our eternal life in Christ.

*2 So get rid of all evil behavior. Be done with all deceit, hypocrisy, jealousy, and all unkind speech.*

- Evil Behavior (Malice)—the harboring of evil thoughts against another person. Malice nourishes antagonism, builds up grudges, and secretly hopes that revenge, harm, or tragedy will overtake another.
- Deceit—any form of dishonesty and trickery (and what a variety of forms it takes!). Deceit falsifies income tax returns, cheats on exams, lies about age, bribes officials, and pulls shady deals in business. Half-truths.
- Hypocrisy—insincerity, pretense, sham. The hypocrite is a play-actor, pretending to be someone he is not. He pretends to be happily married when his home is actually a battlefield. He pretends to be spiritual on Sundays but he is worldly on weekdays. He pretends interest in others but his motives are selfish.
- Jealousy (Envy)—bare-faced jealousy. Vine defines it as the feeling of displeasure produced by observing or hearing of the advantage or prosperity of others. It was envy that caused the chief priests to deliver Jesus up to Pilate for death (Matt. 27:18).
- Unkind Speech (Evil speaking)—backbiting, malicious gossip, recrimination. Slander is the attempt to make oneself look cleaner by slinging mud at someone else.

*<sup>2</sup> Like newborn babies, you must crave pure spiritual milk so that you will grow into a full experience of salvation. Cry out for this nourishment, <sup>3</sup> now that you have had a taste of the Lord’s kindness.*

## **APPLICATION**

**1. Join the Family.**

**2. Love the Family.**

**3. Study the Family History.**

## **QUESTIONS FOR FURTHER STUDY<sup>1</sup>:**

1. What is a good test to see if a person has really had a change of heart (v. 22)?
2. What makes loving others deeply and actively possible (vv. 23-25)? What grade would you give yourself on loving others lately?
3. Are you more like a pilgrim, an explorer, or a landowner on this earth? Why?
4. Which of the characteristics in 1:13-16 and 2:1-2 is the greatest challenge for you?
5. What has been the “pure spiritual milk” in your life (2:2)? In what way do you still need this milk?
6. what happens when people attempt to determine how to live through social consensus rather than by God’s revelation in the Word of God?
7. If you were trying to convey to someone else the value of new birth in your life, what would you want that person to know?
8. Pray for one person you would like to introduce to Christ—and ask Jesus to present that opportunity to you.
9. In what ways is holiness a communal endeavor?

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<sup>1</sup> Taken from multiple Study Guides on 1 Peter.