#### Welcome

To Teen Church @ RFBC



### Sunday, May 21st

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Prayer for Healthy Families



Call to Worship



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Leader: Let us gather in this space.

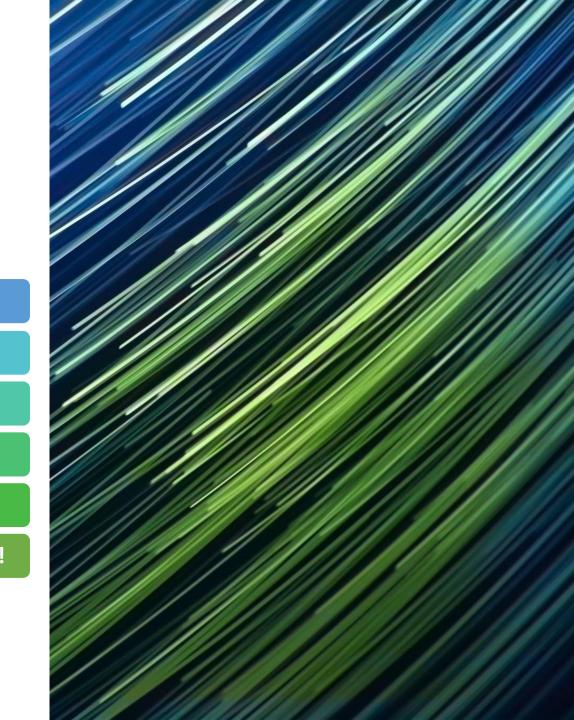
Congregation: We gather from many places.

Leader: Let us focus ourselves on worshipping Him.

Congregation: We are one in spirit with joy in our hearts.

Leader: Let us receive God's blessings.

All: We are God's beloved children! Let us praise His holy name!



### Invocation/Prayer of Confession

### The Prayer Response: The Lord's Prayer Matthew 6: 9-13 KJV

<sup>9</sup> ...Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

<sup>10</sup>Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup> Give us this day our daily bread.

<sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

<sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, for ever.

Amen.

### Scripture in Response Romans 5: 1-6 (NIV)

Leader: Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Congregation: through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God.

Leader: Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance;

Congregation: perseverance, character; and character, hope.

Leader: And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

All: You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.





# Quick announcement:

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JAMES 1: 2-4; ROMANS 5: 3-8

#### Last Week...

It was Mother's Day and we heard about how there should be a hall of fame for mothers.

The scripture reference was Proverbs 31: 10-31

This hall of fame candidate:

- Instructed her son to beware of the 3 W's (women, wine, & words)
- Had a ton of characteristics (virtuous, faithful, respectful, strong, etc.)
- Was a superlative, spiritual, splendid woman.





This week, we will focus on the family. Our topic is "The Myth of the Perfect Family."

### "Kicker"

CLOSE YOUR EYES AND IMAGINE THE PERFECT PLACE...

## What is a family?

IS THERE A SUCH THING AS A PERFECT FAMILY?



# Show video...

THE MYTH OF THE PERFECT FAMILY



There is no such thing as a perfect family.

#### Question:

- Do families sometimes pretend to be perfect? How do they do this? Why do they do this?
- What kind of pressure does that put on family members when they have to pretend to be perfect?

### Stop pretending.



It is hard to face up to problems when you pretend to be perfect.

Sometimes the show is for the outside world, but sometimes it is believed.

Some families want to deny their difficulties...so they never learn from them or grow through them.

This creates issues in the families...and sometimes in the kids who grow up in these families.

#### Families must:

#### Develop

• Develop honesty within the family.

#### Admit

• Admit problems with one another and help each other grow.

#### Respect

- Be respectful towards yourself and your family.
- (The whole world does not need to know everything that's wrong with your family.)



HOW DO YOU HANDLE IT WHEN YOUR PARENTS MESS UP?



- 2 My friends, be glad, even if you have a lot of trouble.
- 3 You know you learn to endure by having your faith tested.
- 4 But you must learn to endure everything, so you will be completely mature and not lacking in anything.

- 2 Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds,
- 3 because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.
- 4 Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

What does the Bible say? James 1: 2-4 (CEV & NIV)

By faith we have been made acceptable to God. And now, thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ, we have peace with God.

2 Christ has also introduced us to God's gift of undeserved grace on which we now take our stand. So we are happy, as we look forward to sharing in the glory of God.

3 But that's not all! We gladly suffer, because we know that suffering helps us to endure.

4 And endurance builds character, which gives us a hope

5 that will never disappoint us. All of this happens because God has given us the Holy Spirit, who fills our hearts with his love.

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### Words...

Character

Hope

### Advice to Others

THE "I AM PERFECT" HANDOUT

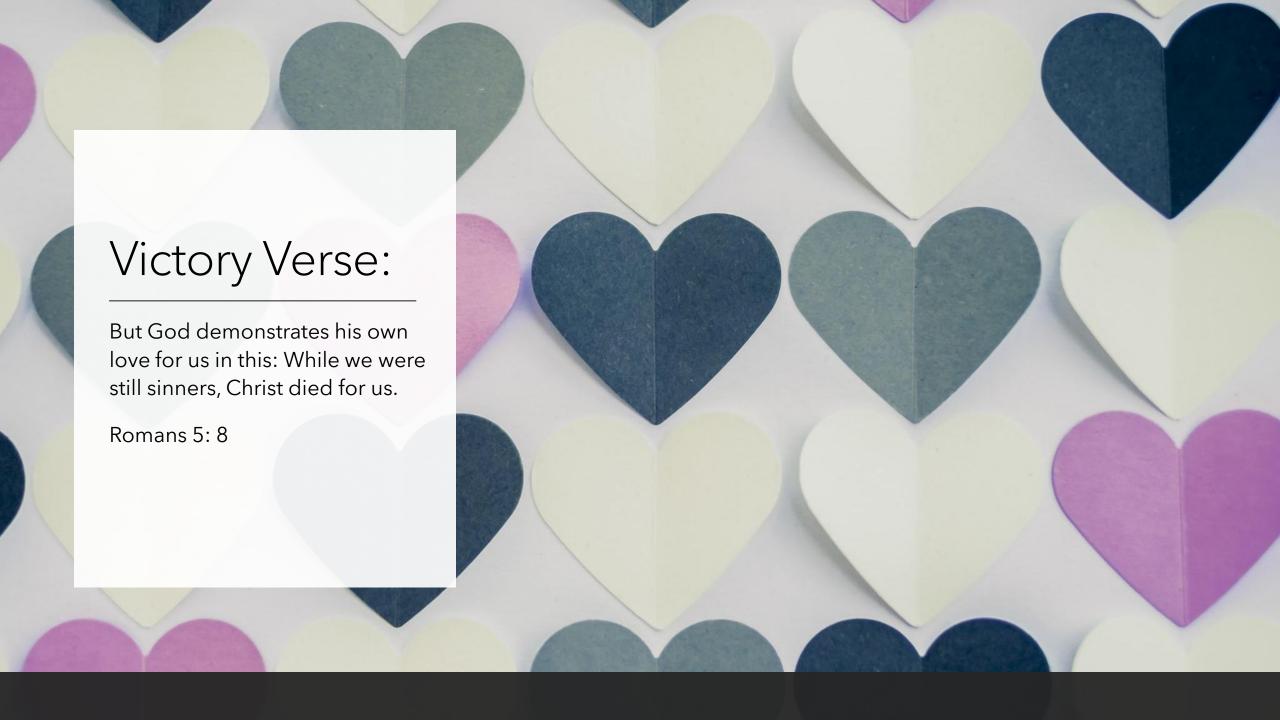


#### Remember...

We are not perfect, and neither are our families. We are all sinners, desperately in need of God's help.

God offers us help.

- Re-read Romans 5: 3-5. Now read verses 6 8.
  - 6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless,
     Christ died for the ungodly.
  - 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die.
  - 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.



# Prayer Call to Discipleship Dismissal