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REDEEMER WEEKLY

REDEEMER CHURCH OF PIKETON, OHIO

-THE MORNING MESSAGE-

“THE SHAPE OF GENUINE WORSHIP”

ISAIAH 58:1-12



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“Cry aloud; do not hold back; lift up your voice like a trumpet; declare to my people their transgression, to the house of Jacob their sins. 2 Yet they seek me daily and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that did righteousness and did not forsake the judgment of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments; they delight to draw near to God. 3 ‘Why have we fasted, and you see it not? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?’ Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure, and oppress all your workers. 4 Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist. Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high. 5 Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the Lord? 6 “Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? 7 Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? 8 Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. 9 Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’ If you take away the yoke from your midst, the pointing of the finger, and speaking wickedness, 10 if you pour yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness and your gloom be as the noonday. 11 And the Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your desire in scorched places and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail. 12 And your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to dwell in.

In this message, we will explore how Isaiah 58 reveals God’s heart for true devotion. While the passage speaks about fasting, it ultimately points beyond outward religious practice to the deeper reality of redemption. We will see how Christ’s finished work is the true fast that fully pleases the Father, breaks the bondage of sin, and restores His people. This sermon invites us to rest in the grace of the gospel and to live lives that reflect God’s mercy, justice, and restoring love.

READ AND REJOICE!



HENRY MAHAN

Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. - John 16:7

"Nevertheless I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away" (John 16:7a). Our Lord told His disciples of His death, of His return to the Father, and of the persecution they would certainly endure for His sake. Their hearts were heavy and filled with sorrow. He said, "I go my way and none of you asketh me whither goest thou; nevertheless, though you ask me no questions, I tell you that it is absolutely necessary for you that I die on the cross, rise again, and go to the Father." His death atoned for our sins, removed the curse of the law, enabled God to be just and justify us, secured peace with God, and gave us a perfect holiness. By His sacrifice, we have a great High Priest, advocate, intercessor with the Father. As our forerunner, He has entered within the veil into the very presence of the Father and taken us with Him.

"For if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart I will send Him unto you" (John 16:7b). The Holy Spirit was certainly here before; for He preached through Noah, revealed the word to the prophets, and "the Spirit of Christ was in them" (I Peter 1:11), Peter said. But He had not come in so special and peculiar a manner as He would come to believers AFTER CHRIST WAS GLORIFIED! He dwells in every believer as our comforter, teacher, guide, and the glorifier of Christ Jesus. Had not our Lord died, risen, and ascended to the Father, there would have been nothing for the Holy Spirit to do--no blood to sprinkle, no salvation to apply, no righteousness to reveal, and no comfort to give! Christ said, "He shall glorify me; for He shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you (Jn.16:14).



SANCTIFIED

Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit.- Peter 1:2

TIMOTHY JAMES

Sanctification is commonly and erroneously thought to be something the believer does for himself or with the assistance of the Holy Spirit. Many think of sanctification as a work of progressive holiness by which a person incrementally becomes more and more holy until at last, he is just too good for earth and must be swept up to glory on the wings of personal merit. The only problem with that way of thinking is that it just ain't so. Sanctification is never spoken of in Scripture as a work we do, or a progressive work by which we become more and more holy. Sanctification is a state of being. The root meaning of the word "sanctify" is to set apart a person or a thing for God, for a holy purpose, or a holy use (The vessels of the tabernacle were sanctified—set apart. The priests were sanctified—set apart. The LORD Jesus Christ was Himself sanctified—set apart).

All God's elect were sanctified by God the Father in the eternal covenant of grace, set apart from all the rest of the world, to be His peculiar people (Jude 1:1).

In precisely the same sense we were sanctified, severed from the rest of mankind, to be God's peculiar (purchased), holy people by the sin-expiating blood of our beloved substitute.

"Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." - Titus 2:14

Announcements (DV)



Blessing Box Food Drive

Bring non-perishable food items each Sunday to help stock our Free Store Blessing Box and serve families in need in our community.

Spring Bible Conference & Fellowship Dinner

Sat-Sun, April 11-12, 2026

Join us for our Spring Bible Conference with preaching from Pastor Jason Boothe. Invite family and friends. On Sunday, please bring a covered dish and stay for lunch after the service. The church will provide the main course.



Visit the Church Website

Go to RedeemerPiketon.org for sermons, Bible study resources, teaching videos, and gospel-centered articles. New content is added regularly. Share it with others as a trusted source for biblical encouragement and teaching.

The Church at Worship Sunday February 22, 2025 11:30 AM



Announcements

Call to Worship Pastoral Prayer

Keith Boothe

#33 How Great Thou Art

Psalm Reading

Greg Flannery

#37 Total Praise

Sermon

Jason Boothe

#153 Victory in Jesus

Closing Prayer

Keith Boothe

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“Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.” -Hebrews 10:9-10

“For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.” - Hebrews 10:14

Here the Holy Spirit tells us that we were chosen to salvation “through sanctification of the Spirit.” That simply means this – If you are one of these elected ones, the day and hour will come when God, the Holy Spirit, will come to you in His omnipotent power and irresistible grace to sanctify you, to set you apart from the world, to set you apart unto Himself, to set you apart unto Christ. It also means this – If you are a child of God, a believer, one who has experienced that blessed operation of grace called the new birth, you have been set apart from the world by the grace and power of God, the Holy Spirit, set apart for Christ. “Ye are not your own. For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God’s.”



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THE KIND OF FAST GOD LOVES

ISAIAH 58:1-12



Have you ever tried really hard to do something good so someone would notice? Maybe you cleaned your room, helped with chores, or shared a snack, hoping someone would say, "Great job!"

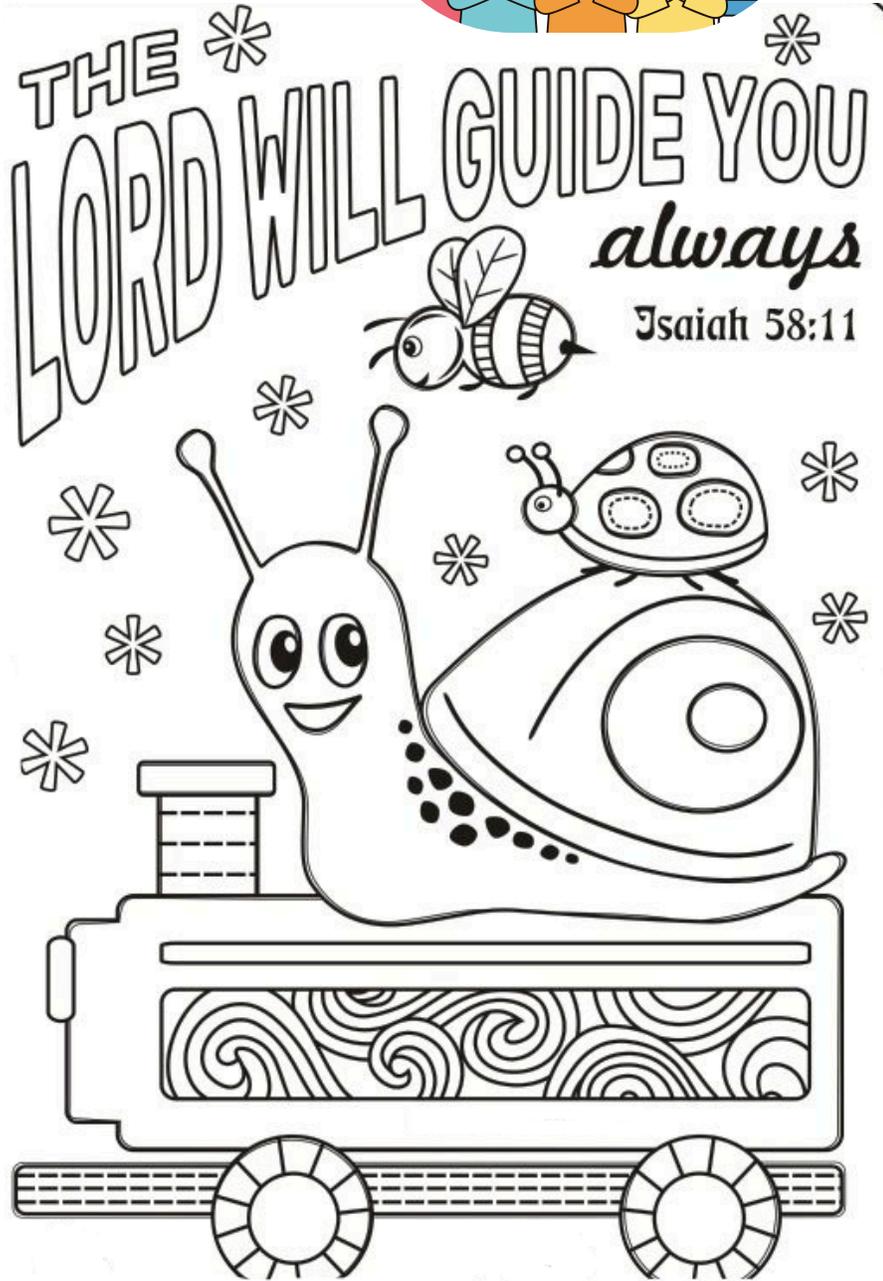
In our Bible passage this week, God talked to His people about something called fasting. Fasting means choosing to go without something, like food, for a time so you can focus on praying and thinking about God.

The people in Isaiah's day were fasting, but God told them something very important. He said that what pleased Him most was not just what they did on the outside. He cared about what was happening in their hearts.

God said the kind of "fast" He loves is like this:

- Helping people who are hurting.
- Sharing with those who do not have enough.
- Being kind instead of mean.
- Caring for others the way He cares for His people.

And here is the best part. Jesus already did the greatest "fast" of all. He gave His whole life to save His people. He showed perfect love, perfect kindness, and perfect obedience to God the Father. Because of Jesus, His children are forgiven and experience His love.



Now, when we help others, we are not trying to earn God's love. We are simply showing the love He has already given us.

Think About It: This week, how can you show God's love to someone? Maybe you can share, help, encourage, or be extra kind.

Remember: God's people trust Him and show His love to others.



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Sovereign Grace Bible Conference

*Saturday 7PM and Sunday 10:30 AM
April 11-12, 2026*



Join us for a weekend of Gospel preaching and teaching at the Sovereign Grace Bible Conference, presented by the congregation of Redeemer Church of Piketon, Ohio.

Pastor Jason Boothe will deliver the conference sermons this year!



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