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[31] To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.

[32] Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

[33] They answered him, “We are Abraham’s descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?”

[34] Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin.

[35] Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever.

[36] So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

[37] I know that you are Abraham’s descendants. Yet you are looking for a way to kill me, because you have no room for my word.

[38] I am telling you what I have seen in the Father’s presence, and you are doing what you have heard from your father.”

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What do we do when every day is April Fools' day?

1. We seek even more to _____ and _____ by truth.
 - ***1 Thessalonians 2:13*** *And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is indeed at work in you who believe.*

2. We proclaim the One who is the _____.

3. We proclaim the One who is the _____ of all things.
 - ***Hebrews 1:3a*** *The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word.*
 - ***Colossians 1:17*** *He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.*
 - We cannot really _____ truth without _____ the Creator of truth.

4. We proclaim the One who _____ us from _____ to sin and _____.

5. We seek the One who _____ for the very purpose of _____.

Lagniappe

Last weekend's Easter Worship was truly a joyful and precious time.

We praised the God of Glory and thanked Him for giving His Son as our once-for-all sacrifice for sin. We also praised God for raising Jesus from the dead, proving the effectiveness of His sacrifice.

Last weekend's worship services also proved other things.

First, it showed us we could accommodate a large attendance comfortably and safely. That validates our assumptions as we make decisions for the church and for future worship times.

Please encourage friends and family to join you as we gather to worship. We now know we can meet together.

Second, the attendance this weekend showed that our people are returning, and that new people are joining with us.

Last weekend we had 92% of our attendance in 2019. Remember that we didn't meet in person in 2020.

Based on what happened here at FBC, the gleeful hope by some people of the death of God and His church is much overblown.

This is my goal and I hope you will make it yours: that when school starts in August we will be at 101% of our 2019 attendance.

You can make that happen by being faithful and by being diligent in inviting others to attend with you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wayne Boring". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.