



True Vine's Virtual VBS 2020 *Grades 7-8*

June 1, 2020

Week 1 At Sea: *Freed From Fear*, Romans 8:16, Romans 8:1,2

- **Deck Plan-** Romans 8:1-2, 12-17
- **Key Card-** The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.
- **Main Seating-** Lord, please allow Your indwelling Spirit to empower us to live free of fear. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.
- **Bridge/Docking-** When you think about being a part of God's family, what fears do you have?

Make a list of 3 things and why you fear them. Read Romans 8:15 and pray to ask God to heal you from those fears.

The Scripture passage in today's lesson outlines two paths that we can take: the sinful nature (our flesh) or that of the Spirit (the Holy Spirit). Every individual must choose which path to take. Romans 8:1-17 gives a picture of how each path looks. Our choices will determine what outcomes we will experience. Our sinful nature speaks to the temptation to do things that we should not do or react without first thinking about what God may want us to do or say. This path leads to death- figuratively a kind of death that lacks joy and peace and is hostile to God's will for our lives. Living in the Spirit simple means that through Christ Jesus, the Spirit has set us free and we have the power to make good decisions that please God, rather than feeling like we always have to give in to temptations that may lead to our making wrong choices that displease God. The Spirit will lead us away from situations, allowing us to find joy and peace in living as God's children. When we doubt or take detours, the Spirit always reminds us that we belong to God and have the power to get back on track.