

Assignments	February 25	March 4
Song leader (SS)	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Announcements	Junior Conner	Joe Green
Songleader - Worship	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Scripture reading	T J Waldron	Daniel Green
Opening prayer	Ken Thomas	Lee Rose
Table service (center)	Joe Green	Mason Fisher
(center)	Nick Graham	Cole Gordon
(outside)	Junior Conner	T J Waldron
(outside)	Daniel Green	Ken Lewis
Closing Prayer	Mason Fisher	Junior Conner

("Praying", Cont. from front) As the ship was about to leave, the first man heard a voice from heaven booming: "Why are you leaving your companion on the island?" "My blessings are mine alone, since I was the one who prayed for them," the first man replied. "His prayers were all unanswered and so he does not deserve anything."

"You are mistaken," the voice rebuked him. "He had only one prayer, which I answered."

"Tell me," the first man asked the voice, "what did he pray for that I should owe him anything?"

"He prayed that all your prayers be answered."

We have many of the apostle Paul's prayers recorded in his epistles. It is significant to me how large a percentage of those prayers involved petitions for other people (mostly for spiritual needs rather than physical, incidentally) and how few involved petitions for personal needs.

It is easy to get so caught up in asking God to provide us what we need (or merely want) that we forget to pray for others. May God help us to be sensitive to the needs of others around us, and may we take advantage of every opportunity to approach the throne of grace and lay their concerns at the feet of our Father.

"I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone..."
(I Timothy 2:1, NIV)
(Comments on story credited to Alan, Smith., TFTD, 2/14/2007)

Sick, Injured, and Rehabilitating

William Miller is still in NHC, Room 124. Dorris Davis needs our prayer regarding his prostate cancer. Dennis Conner, Junior's son, had surgery Friday morning at MTMC. Leon Stancliff had surgery Wednesday evening due to a broken arm. Joey Curl's grandmother, Anna Curl, fell and had to have emergency surgery at Centennial for a blood clot. This was Friday the 16th. Remember the Roses, sister Jessie Pearl Green, sister Singleton, the Conners and sister Trail in prayer as they deal with chronic conditions.

Our sympathy is expressed to the family of Georgia Carter whose funeral was Friday in Manchester. She was Brooke Carter's great-grandmother.

Bible Bowl

Central/McMinnville, March 4. Genesis 22-25

Friday night singing - March 2 - Blackman/
Murfreesboro and Arab, AL - 7:00 Central

Record of our attendance:

Date	Classes	AM	PM	Contrib.	Wed.
01/28	13	34	24	\$555.25	22
02/04	21	29	27	\$616.50	20
02/11	20	33	22	\$512	12
02/18	17	31	22	\$498.30	21
Goals	35	45	36		35

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February 25, 2007

PRAYING FOR OTHERS

The following parable about prayer comes from an unknown author:

A voyaging ship was wrecked during a storm at sea and only two of the men on it were able to swim to a small, desert-like island. The two survivors, not knowing what else to do, agreed that they had no other recourse but to pray to God. However, to find out whose prayer was more powerful, they agreed to divide the territory between them and stay on opposite sides of the island. The first thing they prayed for was food.

The next morning, the first man saw a fruit-bearing tree on his side of the land, and he was able to eat its fruit. The other man's parcel of land remained barren.

After some days, the first man was lonely and he decided to pray for a wife. The next day, another ship was wrecked, and the only survivor was a woman who swam to his side of the island. On the other side of the island, the second man had nothing. Soon the first man prayed for a house, clothes, and more food. The next day, like magic, all of these were given to him. However, the second man still had nothing.

Finally, the first man prayed for a ship, so that he and his wife could leave the island. In the morning, he found a ship docked at his side on the island. The first man boarded the ship with his wife and decided to leave the second man on the island. He considered the other man unworthy to receive God's blessings, since none of his prayers had been answered.

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Schedule This Week

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10 AM

Worship 11 AM

Worship 6 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7 PM

Mission Works

Restoration Radio

Jim Waldron

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Bible Search

by Kenneth L. Thomas

Questions for week of February 25, 2006

1. What craftsmen received funds to do a job and did not have to give an account due to their faithfulness?
2. What tower and pool bear the same proper place name?
3. I found four passages that say specifically, "the Lord came down". To what places did He "come down", and for what purpose.?
4. The mortality of man (the fact that we must die) is described in the Bible, but those who are Christians must put to death the sinfulness that is characteristic of mankind. In what two verses do you find a verb form with "mort..." that tell what we are to "kill"?
5. What building was made with stones prepared "off-site" and assembled with no iron tools being used?
6. Who had 71 sons?
7. What synagogue leader was beaten in a Greek city? His beating was basically ignored by the local deputy!
8. The Bible speaks of hogs wallowing in the mire, but what were the circumstances that accompanied a boy's "wallowing" in the presence of the Lord?
9. Who were Harim, Meremoth, and Obadiah, and what did they do, together with others?

Answers for week of February 18, 2007

1. What were the circumstances that caused a mother and father to act as if they did not know why their son had been healed?

Answer: They were afraid of being banned from the synagogue if they acknowledged Jesus.

John 9:18 But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight. 19 And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see? 20 His parents answered them and said,

We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind: 21 But by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes, we know not: he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself. 22 These words spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue. 23 Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.

2. At least four people are named in the New Testament as having a congregation (church) meeting in their home. Who are they?

Answer: Priscilla, Aquila, Nymphas and Philemon. Some might also include Lydia (Acts 16) and Mary (Acts 12) by inference.

1 Cor. 16:19 - The churches of Asia salute you. **Aquila and Priscilla** salute you much in the Lord, **with the church that is in their house.**

Col. 4:15 - Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and **Nymphas, and the church which is in his house.**

Phile. 1:2 - And to our beloved Apphia, and Archippus our fellowsoldier, and to the **church in thy house** [This is a reference to **Philemon**. The church met in his house, not the house of those whom Philemon was to salute!]

3. Where do we read of the God who lives "on high" but "lowers" himself to elevate the poor, and also makes a housekeeper out of a woman who formerly unable to bear children?

Answer: Psalm 113.

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD. 2 Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. 3 From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the LORD'S name is to be praised. 4 **The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens. 5 Who is like unto the LORD our God, who dwelleth on high, 6 Who humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven, and in the earth! 7 He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy out of the dunghill; 8 That he may set him with princes, even with the princes of his people. 9 He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children.** Praise ye the LORD.

4. What preacher in New Testament times (who had a powerful spiritual message) was probably hard to listen to?

Answer: Paul. He was not eloquent, and did not speak to entice people with his own worldly wisdom. But his message was powerful anyway, because he preached the truth which sets men free.

1 Corinthians 2:1 And **I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom**, declaring unto you the testimony of God. 2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified. 3 And **I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. 4 And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom**, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: 5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

Some also referenced the "hard to be understood" writings of Paul as described by Peter in II Peter 3:15-16.

5. The preacher mentioned above seemed not to keep good records of certain significant events that happened as a result of his preaching. What events?

Answer: Baptisms. He could remember a few that he had personally immersed, but he could not remember others. He definitely did not want anyone to think he was baptizing due to his own authority.

1 Corinthians 1:14 I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius; 15 Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name. 16 And I baptized also the household of Stephanas: **besides, I know not whether I baptized any other**

6. What passage of scripture might explain why a student complains of being tired? The passage also would be of great interest to a bookseller or librarian!

Answer: Ecclesiastes 12:12 speaks of the weariness related to "much study." The reference to the endless production of books would interest those who sell or catalogue books.

Ecc. 12:12 And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end;

and much study is a weariness of the flesh.

7. The apostle Paul wrote: There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. 41 There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory. In what other passage do we read of a **terrestrial body** other than the earth and the moon (A "planetary" reference)

Answer: The reference above is from 1 Cor. 15. The way the question is worded it would eliminate any heavenly body that produces light by it's own burning, but would be restricted to an "earthly" (terrestrial) body. The moon and the earth are eliminated by the wording of the question. There is an ingrained hint - - planetary" The answer was found in the only passage in the KJV that has the word "planet" in it! The idolaters worshipped Baal, the sun, the moon, the PLANETS, and all the host of heaven, and Josiah in his reforms was eliminating this and other heathen practices.

(2 Ki 23:3-7) "And the king stood by a pillar, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments and his testimonies and his statutes with all their heart and all their soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. And all the people stood to the covenant. {4} And the king commanded Hilkiah the high priest, and the priests of the second order, and the keepers of the door, to bring forth out of the temple of the LORD all the vessels that were made for Baal, and for the grove, and for all the host of heaven: and he burned them without Jerusalem in the fields of Kidron, and carried the ashes of them unto Bethel. {5} And he put down the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the **planets**, and to all the host of heaven. {6} And he brought out the grove from the house of the LORD, without Jerusalem, unto the brook Kidron, and burned it at the brook Kidron, and stamped it small to powder, and cast the powder thereof upon the graves of the children of the people. {7} And he brake down the houses of the sodomites, that were by the house of the LORD, where the women wove hangings for the grove."