

Credit for the quotation was left off in the last bulletin: "The man who tells you truth does not exist is asking you not to believe him. So don't." (Roger Scruton in *Modern Philosophy*)

	April 16	April 23
Song leader (SS)	Ken Thomas	Wayne Gannon
Announcements	Tim Waldron	TJ Waldron
Sunday	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Scripture reading	Tim Waldron	Ken Thomas
Opening prayer	Jr. Conner	Joe Green
Table service (center)	Ken Thomas	Tim Waldron
(center)	Cole Gordon	Cole Gordon
(outside)	T.J Waldron	TJ Waldron
(outside)	Daniel Gordon	Daniel Gordon
Closing Prayer	Andy Miller	Nick Graham

(Continued from front)

The message... "Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel [lit. "GOOD NEWS"] which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved -IF- you hold fast that word which I preached to you; unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that CHRIST DIED for our sins according to the Scriptures and that HE WAS BURIED, and that HE ROSE AGAIN the third day according to the Scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:1-4).

WHY is that such GOOD NEWS? Because YOU and I are sinners (Romans 3:23), and the wages of sin is DEATH (Romans 6:23). But Christ died for our sins (1 Corinthians 15:3) so that we could be forgiven of our sins (Ephesians 1:7) and receive the GIFT of ETERNAL LIFE (Romans 6:23) with Him in heaven.

To receive the benefits of Christ's death on the cross, we must: believe in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), repent of our sins (2 Corinthians 7:9-10), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized (immersed) for the forgiveness of

our sins (Acts 2:38). Then we must: CONTINUE to "hold fast" to the Word of God (1 Corinthians

**Record of our attendance:**

Date	Classes	AM	PM	Cont.	Wed.
04/09	22	23	27	\$508	25
04/16	25*	50*	Late edition allowed update		
Goals	25	45	36		35

\* Denotes a previous goal met

15:2), living in obedience to it, so that the blood of Jesus can CONTINUE to cleanse us from our sin (1 John 1:7).

Having heard the GOOD NEWS, have YOU obeyed it?

Now, will you share it? The Gospel is "GOOD NEWS." We have NO right to keep it to ourselves. Let's take it into ALL the world, and let people hear it, so that they can OBEY it, and be SAVED from their sins.

David A. Sargent, Creekwood, Mobile, Alabama

\* Our Daily Bread, February 4, 1994

**Beech Grove Notes:** There was a good turnout for yesterday's time of fellowship and food. Junior Conner is scheduled for surgery to remove skin cancers. Anne also had surgery recently. Remember our sick and shut-ins, especially Laura and Iva and Vadna. Brother Rose is scheduled for surgery on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Ken and Judy enjoyed their trip to VA last week, but found hail damage to their cars when they came home. We hope our Egypt travelers, Jackie and Marie had a good trip.

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**April 16, 2006**

Have You Heard?



## Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10 AM

Worship 11 AM  
6 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7 PM

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**Visitors**

**Always  
Welcome**

Fritz Kreisler (1875-1962), the world-famous violinist, earned a fortune with his concerts and compositions, but he generously gave most of it away. So, when he discovered an exquisite violin on one of his trips, he wasn't able to buy it. Later, having raised enough money to meet the asking price, he returned to the seller, hoping to purchase that beautiful instrument. But to his great dismay it had been sold to a collector. Kreisler made his way to the new owner's home and offered to buy the violin. The collector said it had become his prized possession and he would not sell it. Keenly disappointed, Kreisler was about to leave when he had an idea. "Could I play the instrument once more before it is consigned to silence?" he asked. Permission was granted, and the great virtuoso filled the room with such heart-moving music that the collector's emotions were deeply stirred.

"I have no right to keep that to myself," he exclaimed. "It's yours, Mr. Kreisler. Take it into the world, and let people hear it." \*

The Gospel is "GOOD NEWS." It is news too good to keep to ourselves! (Continued back page)



# Bible Search

by Kenneth L. Thomas

## Questions for week of April 16

1. In a certain town Paul raised a man from the dead and also left his cloak. He also speaks of having an open door to preach there but he left (uneasy in spirit) because he did not find a particular person there. Whom was he hoping to see?
2. What kind of house "dissolves"?
3. Despite serious charges against him, who answered his accusers with a cheerful defense?
4. The Bible speaks of those who are written in the book of life, those who are NOT written in the book of life, and the possibility of having one's name blotted out of the book of life. What are the promises or punishments associated with each of these? Give supporting scriptures.
5. According to an Old Testament passage what is never full?
6. What characteristics should motivate "all things" we do? (New Testament only)
7. Our winning over "the world" is based on \_\_\_\_\_:

## Answers for week of April 26

1. **Two females had stork-like wings. According to what a prophet saw, what was in their wings?**  
**Answer: Wind was in their wings.**  
An angel showed a large container such as is used for measuring grain (some translations say basket instead of ephah). A woman representing "wickedness" was in the ephah, and the angel cast her into the ephah and covered it with a heavy cover of lead. The basket was carried by the women who had "wind in their wings."  
Zech 5:5 Then the angel that talked with me went forth, and said unto me, Lift up now thine eyes, and see what is this that goeth forth. 6 And I said, What is it? And he said, This is an ephah that goeth forth. He said moreover, This is their resemblance through all the earth. 7 And, behold, there was lifted up a talent of lead: and this is a woman that sitteth in the midst of the ephah. 8 And he said, This is wickedness. And he cast it into the midst of the ephah; and he cast the weight of lead upon the mouth thereof. 9 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and looked, and,

behold, there came out two women, and the wind was in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork: and they lifted up the ephah between the earth and the heaven.

10 Then said I to the angel that talked with me, Whither do these bear the ephah? 11 And he said unto me, To build it an house in the land of Shinar: and it shall be established, and set there upon her own base.

### 2. **Who originally wanted to kill a man due to criticism of his own illicit relationship with another man's wife, but put him in prison instead?**

**Answer: Herod the Tetrarch**

Matt 14:3 For **Herod** had laid hold on **John**, and bound him, and **put him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife.** 4 For John said unto him, **It is not lawful for thee to have her.** 5 And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet.

The incident is also mentioned in Mark 6:17 and Luke 3:19. Mark 6:17 For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her. 18 For John had said unto Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife. 19 Therefore Herodias had a quarrel against him, and would have killed him; but she could not: 20 For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.

Luke 3:19-20 But Herod the tetrarch, being reproved by him for Herodias his brother Philip's wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done, {20} Added yet this above all, that he shut up John in prison.

### 3. **What will eventually cover the man whose breasts are full of milk and also the man who never eats with pleasure?**

**Answer: Worms.**

Job 21:22 Shall any teach God knowledge? seeing he judgeth those that are high. 23 One dieth in his full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet. 24 His breasts are full of milk, and his bones are moistened with marrow. 25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his soul, and never eateth with pleasure. 26 They shall lie down alike in the dust, and the **worms** shall cover them.

In various translations, "Breasts" is otherwise translated "sides", "bowels", "pails", and "milk" is rendered as "fat". The true wording seems to be obscured in a variety of manuscripts. The mental image of a man with milk-filled

breasts seemed unusual enough to get my attention and prompt me to concoct this question.

But the meaning is clear. If one man dies an "easy" death after a life of prosperity and health, or if another dies in anguish after a life of want and hardship, they both share a common fate. They will die and reunite with the dust from which they came, and the devouring worms will cover them. It is appointed to all to die. Neither rich nor poor can cheat death. That is why it behooves each of us to be ready to go or ready to stay, ready to do His will.

### 4. **What congregation was alive in "name only", but was considered dead by the Lord?**

**Answer: The church located at Sardis.** Sardis had once been a great city, but had lost its wealth and power because of failure to post a watchman on the fortress walls. It is of interest that the church in this place is warned by the Lord to be watchful. They had a reputation that said they were alive. But Christ, the searcher of the hearts said they were dead. Seemingly they were not completely dead, for they are urged to strengthen what remained, and to watch to prevent the coming of Christ from catching them unprepared. A few worthy saints were in that church and were told that if they were faithful they would not be blotted out of the book of life. (Rev 3:1-6) "And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead. {2} Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God. {3} Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee. {4} Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. {5} He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels. {6} He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."

### 5. **Before Jesus was crucified, he suffered the indignity of being spat on. What other Bible character complained that young people had done the same to him?**

**Answer: Job**

Job 29:1 Moreover Job continued his parable, and said, .

30:1 "But now they that are younger than I have me in derision, whose fathers I would have disdained to have set with the dogs of my flock. {2} Yea, whereto might the strength of their hands profit me, in whom old age was perished? {3} For want and famine they were solitary; fleeing into the wilderness in former time desolate and waste. {4} Who cut up mallows by the bushes, and juniper roots for their meat. {5} They were driven forth from among men, (they cried after them as after a thief;) {6} To dwell in the cliffs of the valleys, in caves of the earth, and in the rocks. {7} Among the bushes they brayed; under the nettles they were gathered together. {8} They were children of fools, yea, children of base men: they were viler than the earth. {9} And now am I their song, yea, I am their byword. {10} They abhor me, they flee far from me, and spare not to spit in my face. {11} Because he hath loosed my cord, and afflicted me, they have also let loose the bridle before me."

We notice in this passage that Job realizes how little intelligence and character is required to criticize and show contempt for the older and wiser among men.

### 6. **What group was gathered behind closed doors because they were afraid if the Jews?**

**Answer: The disciples**

John 20:19 Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

### 7. **Who were these people . . . Nergalsharezer, Samgarnebo, Sarsechim, Rabsaris, Nergalsharezer, Rabmag ?**

**Answer: Princes of Babylon Jer 39:1-4**

39:1 In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and they besieged it. 2 And in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth day of the month, the city was broken up. 3 And all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate, even Nergal-sharezer, Samgar-nebo, Sarsechim, Rab-saris, Nergal-sharezer, Rabmag, with all the residue of the princes of the king of Babylon. 4 And it came to pass, that when Zedekiah the king of Judah saw them, and all the men of war, then they fled, and went forth out of the city by night, by the way of the king's garden, by the gate betwixt the two walls: and he went out the way of the plain.