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### **That's Not What I Meant**

by Steve Higginbotham

Have you heard the story about the preacher who was trying to illustrate the ill effects of alcohol and tobacco? In order to illustrate this fact, the preacher put a worm in some alcohol and a worm in a sealed jar filled with cigarette smoke. By the end of his lesson, the preacher showed the assembly that both the worm in the alcohol and the worm in the cigarette smoke were dead. Looking to the assembly, the preacher then asked, "Someone please tell me, what does this mean?" To which a young boy replied by saying, "If you drink and smoke, you won't have worms."

Well, I'm pretty confident that this is not the lesson the preacher was trying to illustrate. But what this little story does do is reminds us that communication is not always easy. Sometimes, we say things and what is understood is exactly opposite the message we were trying to convey.

In view of this, let me offer this suggestion.

Before you take offense at the words of another, please give them the benefit of the doubt (1 Corinthians 13:7). Love demands no less. Before taking offense, entertain the possibility that you misunderstood what they were trying to say.

In doing so, not only will it result in more peace, but it will also be treating another with the same kindness with which you want to be treated. Give it some thought.

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#### **Sunday Schedule**

Bible Classes	10 AM
Worship	11 AM
Worship	6 PM
<b>Wednesday: Bible Classes</b>	7 PM

#### **Mission Works and Evangelism:**

House to House/ Heart to Heart  
Restoration Radio  
Jim Waldron  
Manuelito Children's Home



# Bible Search

by Kenneth L. Thomas

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## Questions for week of May 20, 2007

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### WHO SAID IT?

1. "Behold Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor."
2. "I go the way of all the earth; be thou strong therefore and show thyself a man."
3. "I will not let thee go, except thou bless me."
4. "Hath the Lord indeed spoken only by Moses? Hath he not spoken also by us?"
5. What punishment is threatened by God against those who think their lips are "their own" and that no one is over them?
6. What prominent Bible character lived in a fort for a while?
7. What king burned his oldest son as a sacrifice?
8. What unauthorized burnt sacrifices were made at Tophet?

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## Answers for week of May 13, 2007

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1. According to an Old Testament prophet, the fall of a country would be marked by mourning in the street and on rooftops, people howling, crying, and wearing sackcloths. What country?

Answer: Moab

Isaiah 15:1 The burden of Moab. Because in the night Ar of Moab is laid waste, and brought to silence; because in the night Kir of Moab is laid waste, and brought to silence; 2 He is gone up to Bajith, and to Dibon, the high places, to weep: Moab shall howl over Nebo, and over Medeba: on all their heads shall be baldness, and every beard cut off. 3 In their streets they shall gird themselves with sackcloth: on the tops of their houses, and in their streets, every one shall howl, weeping abundantly.

2. In New Testament times, something not previously known by man had been revealed. It was about a group of people that could now share the inheritance of God, being in the same body, and enjoying the promises. Who were these people and who declared that he had been blessed with the privilege of preaching among them? (Two-part answer required!)

Answers:

Part 1: Gentiles - - Eph 3:1-6

Part 2: Paul - - Eph. 3:7-9

Ephesians 3:1 For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, 2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward: 3 How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, 4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) 5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; 6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel: 7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. 8 Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; 9 And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

3. Who threw a huge stone into a body of water to illustrate the violent fall of a wealthy and powerful metropolis?

Answer: A mighty angel (Revelation 18:21)

"And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all."

A similar picture is found in Jeremiah, though the size of the stone is not emphasized. Jeremiah threw a stone into the Euphrates to illustrate the fall of Babylon (Jer 51:61-64) "And Jeremiah said to Seraiah, When thou comest to Babylon, and shalt see, and shalt read all these words; {62} Then shalt thou say, O LORD, thou hast spoken against this place, to cut it off, that none shall remain in it, neither man nor beast, but that it shall be desolate for ever. {63} And it shall be, when thou hast made an end of reading this book, that thou shalt bind a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of Euphrates: {64} And thou shalt say, Thus shall Babylon sink, and shall not rise from the evil that I will bring upon her: and they shall be weary. Thus far are the words of Jeremiah."

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4. Ecclesiastes figuratively describes the effect of aging on eyesight.(Eccl 12:3) "In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened. . ."

There are at least four people who are described as having limited vision because of their age. Find them.

Answer: Isaac, Israel(Jacob), Eli, Abijah

Genesis 27:1 - And it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said unto him, My son: and he said unto him, Behold, here am I. Genesis 48:10 - Now the eyes of Israel were dim for age, so that he could not see. And he brought them near unto him; and he kissed them, and embraced them.

1 Samuel 4:15 - Now Eli was ninety and eight years old; and his eyes were dim, that he could not see.

1 Kings 14:4 - And Jeroboam's wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of Ahijah. But Ahijah could not see; for his eyes were set by reason of his age.

Interesting side note: Moses had good eyesight at age 120 when he died.

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5. Sihon and Og were powerful kings who were defeated by Israel. Name the people each of them ruled, and tell where the dwelling place of each was.

Answer: Sihon, King of the Amorites lived in Heshbon

Og, King of Bashan lived in Astaroth in Edrei.

Deuteronomy 1:4 - After he had slain Sihon the king of the Amorites, which dwelt in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, which dwelt at Astaroth in Edrei:

Num 21:26 "For Heshbon was the city of Sihon the king of the Amorites, who had fought against the former king of Moab, and taken all his land out of his hand, even unto Arnon."

Deu 31:4 "And the LORD shall do unto them as he did to Sihon and to Og,

kings of the Amorites, and unto the land of them, whom he destroyed

(Num 32:33 KJV) "And Moses gave unto them, even to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and unto half the tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, the land, with the cities thereof in the coasts, even

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the cities of the country round about."

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6. One person in the Bible is said to have spent all her resources on doctors, but instead of improving actually got worse. What was the physical condition?

Answer: It's mentioned in several places in the gospel accounts, but Mark 5:25-29 is the account that mentions not only that an unnamed woman had spent everything on doctors, but had also gotten worse. (vs. 26). The disease was an issue of blood. Also mentioned in Matthew 9:20-22 and Luke 8:43-44.

(Mark 5:25-34) "And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years, {26} And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse, {27} When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment. {28} For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole. {29} And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague. {30} And Jesus, immediately knowing

in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes? {31} And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me? {32} And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing. {33} But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth. {34} And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague."

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7. Who said, "Why, What evil hath he done? I find no cause of death in him; I will therefore chastise him and let him go" ?

Answer: Pilate -- Luke 23:20-22

20 Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. (Luke 23:20-23) "Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. {21} But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. {22} And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go. {23} And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed."

Assignments	May 20	May 27
<b>Song leader (SS)</b>	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
<b>Announcements</b>	Junior Conner	Junior Conner
<b>Songleader-Worship</b>	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
<b>Scripture reading</b>	Daniel Green	T J Waldron
<b>Opening prayer</b>	James Mason	Ken Thomas
<b>Table service (center)</b>	Joe Green	Joe Green
(center)	Nick Graham	Nick Graham
(outside)	T J Waldron	Junior Conner
(outside)	Daniel Green	Daniel Green
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Lee Rose	Mason Fisher

### Sick, Injured, and Rehabilitating

Kimberley Bryant, Junior's daughter is recovering nicely from an aorta replacement surgery. She seems to be in good spirits. She is in room 8328, Baptist Hospital in Nashville. Please remember our current sick and shut-ins in your prayers, visits, cards and calls. Jessie Pearl Green, Laura Singleton, Vadna Trail, the Junior Conner family, Iva Rose, William Miller, Wayne Gannon's brother, Effie Bryant, Wesley Cardwell.

Reminder: Our **Gospel Meeting** is planned for **July 22-25. John Bush** is scheduled to speak. Let's make that week (and the weeks before) a high priority week, and plan to be here to work and attend.

### Area Events

William Woodson will be speaking at Grundy Street church of Christ in Tullahoma; Thursday 24 at 7:00 on Christian Evidences: Reasons Against Evolution.

### Gospel Meetings

May 20-23, Mt. View, Ben Flatt, 7:00 P.M.

May 20-24 Morrison, Robert Taylor, Jr., 7:00 P.M.

### Smile Awhile

Miss Jones had been giving her second-grade students a lesson on science. She had explained about magnets and showed how they would pick up nails and other bits of iron. Now it was question time and she asked, "My name begins with the letter 'M' and I pick up things. What am I?"

A little boy on the front row said, "You're a mother."

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"Always keep several get well cards on the mantle - if unexpected guests arrive, they'll think you've been sick and unable to clean."

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An elderly woman walked into the local country church. The friendly usher greeted her at the door and helped her up the flight of steps.

"Where would you like to sit?" he asked politely.

"The front row please," she answered.

"You really don't want to do that," the usher said.

"The preacher is really boring."

"Do you happen to know who I am?" the woman inquired.

"No," he said.

"I'm the preacher's mother," she replied indignantly.

"Do you know who I am?" he asked.

"No," she said.

"Good," he answered, "Let me show you the front pew."

### Record of our attendance:

Date	Classes	AM	PM	Contrib.	Wed.
04/15	15	19	14	\$660.00	13
04/22	15	31	14	\$514.25	15
04/29	14	25	14	\$515.00	15
05/06	11	25	25	\$ 450.65	19
05/13	24	37	20	\$570.00	16
<b>Goals</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>45*</b>	<b>36</b>		<b>35</b>