



# Church of Christ at Beech Grove

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COMMUNION MEDITATION:

**The Perfect Picture**

by J. Randal Matheny

Even before our son's wedding last month, people asked us to send or show them pictures of the ceremony. Both those who were present and those who couldn't attend wanted to see pictures.

For those who were present, pictures are a way of remembering. For those who can't attend an event or make it home for a holiday, pictures tell what happened.

The Lord's supper serves wonderfully to picture what happened on the Cross. Christians went to the cross of Christ in their conversion. Eating the bread and drinking the cup reminds them of that ceremony, that moment of life-giving light.

So it is not only the Lord himself at the First Supper who tells his disciples to remember. They would remember, because they had seen it.

When Paul recounts what Jesus did on that night when he gave them the bread and the cup, both times he said, "Do this in remembrance of me" (1 Corinthians 11:24-25).



That command serves both for those who witnessed the crucifixion personally and for those who saw the Lord crucified in the preaching of the gospel and in their obedience to the message (Galatians 3:1).

We can remember him today, because we have a picture-perfect moment, not only to see, but to taste and smell and touch in this, his supper.

Let us eat and drink to remember.

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## Sunday Schedule

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

## 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 June 7

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1. What ruined a river for use as drinking water?
2. Who besides Jesus walked on water?
3. What did the souls under the altar in Revelation have in common with the blood of the sin offering in Old Testament practice?
4. According to scripture, what is the difference in what husbands and unmarried men "care for"?
5. What two opposite conditions are both said to be "nothing"?
6. Who would have been hungry, having taken nothing to eat for two weeks?
7. What plan to kill someone would have left the intended killers very hungry if they kept their word?

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## Answers for week of May 31

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1. What non-Israelite was both a king and shepherd. (He gave thousands of sheep to Israel until Israel's king passed away.)

**Answer: Mesha, King of Moab** (2 Kings 3:4-5)

4 And Mesha king of Moab was a sheepmaster, and rendered unto the king of Israel an hundred thousand lambs, and an hundred thousand rams, with the wool. 5 But it came to pass, when Ahab was dead, that the king of Moab rebelled against the king of Israel.

2. What heathen kings were as lions to God's sheep ?

**Answer: the king of Assyria and Nebuchadrezzar, of Babylon**

Jer 50:17 Israel is a scattered sheep; the lions have driven him away: first the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last this Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones.

3. What well known story involves sticks, water, bread, and oil?

**Answer: The miracle of the widow of Zarephath's meal and oil performed by Elijah**

1 Ki 17:10-16 - So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman was there gathering of sticks: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink. 11 And as she was going to fetch it, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand. 12 And she said, As the

LORD thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse: and, behold, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die. 13 And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go and do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son. 14 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that the LORD sendeth rain upon the earth. 15 And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days. 16 And the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Elijah.

4. A woodcutter was highly concerned when he lost (in a river) a part of a tool that had been loaned to him. How was the tool retrieved?

**Answer: Elisha threw a stick in the Jordan River where a workman had lost the head of a borrowed ax. The ax head swam "floated".**

2 Kings 6:1 And the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, Behold now, the place where we dwell with thee is too strait for us. 2 Let us go, we pray thee, unto Jordan, and take thence every man a beam, and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell. And he answered, Go ye. 3 And one said, Be content, I pray thee, and go with thy servants. And he answered, I will go. 4 So he went with them. And when they came to Jordan, they cut down wood. 5 But as one was felling a beam, the axe head fell into the water: and he cried, and said, Alas, master! for it was borrowed. 6 And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the place. And he cut down a stick, and cast it in thither; and the iron did swim. 7 Therefore said he, Take it up to thee. And he put out his hand, and took it.

5. Whose son hit a prophet in the face and then asked a question about a spirit?

**Answer: Chenaanah's son Zedekiah hit Micaiah when he spoke the word of God to Ahab and Jehoshaphat.**

1 Kings 22:24 But Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah went near, and smote Micaiah on the cheek, and said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me to speak unto thee? (Also found in 2 Chron. 18)

This is an interesting account which describes men who wanted to appear to be interested in what "God said", but they really wanted to hear a lie that

would support their desires.

1 Kings 22:7 And Jehoshaphat said, Is there not here a prophet of the LORD besides, that we might enquire of him? 8 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, There is yet one man, Micaiah the son of Imlah, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy good concerning me, but evil. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so.

1 Kings 22:13 And the messenger that was gone to call Micaiah spake unto him, saying, Behold now, the words of the prophets declare good unto the king with one mouth: let thy word, I pray thee, be like the word of one of them, and speak that which is good. 14 And Micaiah said, As the LORD liveth, what the LORD saith unto me, that will I speak. 15 So he came to the king. And the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go against Ramothgilead to battle, or shall we forbear? And he answered him, Go, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver it into the hand of the king. 16 And the king said unto him, How many times shall I adjure thee that thou tell me nothing but that which is true in the name of the LORD? 17 And he said, I saw all Israel scattered upon the hills, as sheep that have not a shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no master: let them return every man to his house in peace. 18 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee that he would prophesy no good concerning me, but evil? 19 And he said, Hear thou therefore the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on his throne, and all the host of heaven standing by him on his right hand and on his left. 20 And the LORD said, Who shall persuade Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramothgilead? And one said on this manner, and another said on that manner. 21 And there came forth a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will persuade him. 22 And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? And he said, I will go forth, and I will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said, Thou shalt persuade him, and prevail also: go forth, and do so. 23 Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil concerning thee. 24 But Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah went near, and smote Micaiah on the cheek, and said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me to speak unto thee?

**6.** Of whom was it implied that he was assisting the ungodly and loved those who HATED God, and thus had brought the wrath of God on himself?

**Answer: Jehoshaphat**

2 Chr 19:1 - And Jehoshaphat the king of Judah returned to his house in peace to Jerusalem. 2 And Jehu the son of Hanani the seer went out to meet him, and said to king Jehoshaphat, Shouldest thou help the ungodly, and love them that hate the LORD? therefore is wrath upon thee from before the LORD.

Context: 2 Chr 18:3 And Ahab king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat king of Judah, Wilt thou go with me to Ramothgilead? And he answered him, I am as thou art, and my people as thy people; and we will be with thee in the war. . . . 2 Chr 18:30 Now the king of Syria had commanded the captains of the chariots that were with him, saying, Fight ye not with small or great, save only with the king of Israel. 31 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, It is the king of Israel. Therefore they compassed about him to fight: but Jehoshaphat cried out, and the LORD helped him; and God moved them to depart from him. 32 For it came to pass, that, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it was not the king of Israel, they turned back again from pursuing him. 33 And a certain man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the joints of the harness: therefore he said to his chariot man, Turn thine hand, that thou mayest carry me out of the host; for I am wounded. 34 And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel stayed himself up in his chariot against the Syrians until the even: and about the time of the sun going down he died.

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**7.** What man determined that God really wanted him to deliver Israel, and tested that premise by wringing water from a "fleece"?

**Answer: Gideon**

Judges 6: 36 And Gideon said unto God, If thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said, 37 Behold, I will put a fleece of wool in the floor; and if the dew be on the fleece only, and it be dry upon all the earth beside, then shall I know that thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said. 38 And it was so: for he rose up early on the morrow, and thrust the fleece together, and wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowl full of water.

## Beech Grove News, Prayer Requests

Junior Conner injured his eyes with fuel this week. Anna Curl is at her daughter Diane's home. Laura Singleton seems improved at home, but is still having a hard time breathing.

Military: Andy Miller family in Japan; Drew and Adam Thomas in the US.

Nita Summers, wife of John, (preacher at Smith Grove), NHC McMinnville.

Ben Renegar wrote on Wednesday: "Stephen Fisher, my son-in-law who suffered a stroke last Friday, is now in Room 1840 at Huntsville Hospital Main. His mind is good, his speech is still slurred, but his right arm and leg are okay. They stood him up for a shower today and he sat up. He can barely move his left foot and tips of the fingers on his left hand. When his blood pressure is stable, he will begin physical therapy for a couple of weeks"

### Area Events

Gospel meeting at Red Hill today through Thursday. Evening services at 7:00 with Herb Alsup preaching.

Diana singing this coming Friday and Saturday. Main Street congregation will have a bus going and will stop by here on the way about 5 PM. Get other details from Wanda Miller.

Welcome, visitors

**Let us know how we may serve you. We are glad that we are frequently blessed with visitors. If you have any questions why we do as we do, feel free to ask.**

**Food Pantry** - Please continue a sustained effort to bring items. If you know of a pressing need for food please let it be known.

**Roof damage** on our house and shed next door has been paid for by the insurance company and should be repaired as soon as we decide who will do the work.

**Preaching and teaching the gospel** is the only way to bring souls to salvation. We are thankful to the missionaries who reminded us of the hunger for truth in some places and the difficulty of reaching people in others. Whether here or abroad, let us be eager to share the truth with others.

Worldly events draw big crowds and money. Let us as Christians be as eager to spend for the spread of truth as the people of the world who spend much time and money pursuing pleasure that does not last

### Attendance and Contribution

| Mo  | Wk | BS | MW | EW | Wed | Cont  |
|-----|----|----|----|----|-----|-------|
| May | 31 | 25 | 37 | 15 | 18  | \$623 |
| May | 24 | 17 | 28 | 24 | 15  | \$694 |
| May | 17 | 18 | 29 | 22 | 17  | \$799 |
| May | 10 | 10 | 30 | 15 | 20  | \$493 |

| <u>Assignments</u>     | <u>June 7</u> | <u>June 14</u> |
|------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Song leader (SS)       | Tim Waldron   | Wayne Gannon   |
| Announcements          | Joe Green     | Junior Conner  |
| Songleader-Worship     | Wayne Gannon  | Tim Waldron    |
| Scripture reading      | Daniel Green  | T J Waldron    |
| Opening prayer         | Tim Waldron   | Wayne Gannon   |
| Table service (center) | Tim Waldron   | Joe Green      |
| (center)               | Steve Miller  | Daniel Green   |
| (outside)              | T J Waldron   | Steve Miller   |
| (outside)              | Daniel Green  | Wayne Gannon   |
| Closing Prayer         | Lee Rose      | James Mason    |

