



Beech Grove Church of Christ

meeting at Beech Grove, TN since 1875

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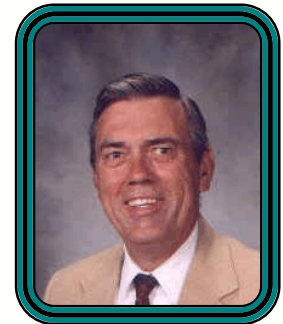


Gospel Meeting

July 22 - 25, 2007

Visiting Preacher is
John Bush

John Bush is a minister at Pocahontas congregation in Coffee County. He also serves Coffee County High School as an assistant principal. Married to Sunshine, he has a daughter named Savana



Beech Grove preacher, **Kenneth L. Thomas**
will close the meeting on Wednesday night

Sunday Schedule

Bible Classes	10 AM
Worship	11 AM
Worship	6 PM
Wednesday: Bible Classes	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

Questions for week of June 24, 2007

1. In what way were the Lord's people in Thessalonica like the churches of God in Judea?
2. Who was a hindrance to Paul in his wish to visit the church in Thessalonica?
3. What factor gives a person ability to surpass all his instructors in being able to understand?
4. What two words that sound alike are used to name something which "pants"? This is based on wording from the KJV.
5. What failure on part of the wicked would distance salvation from them? (In Psalms)
6. Where do we read of a peace-loving person living among war-mongers, liars, and deceivers?
7. Often the sand of the sea is used to describe the count of of numberless items, but what was said to be as weighty as the sand on the sea?

Answers for week of June 17, 2007

1. Who, driven by anger and grief, ate no meat on a particular day of the month?

Answer: Jonathan

(1 Sam 20:29-34) "And he said, Let me go, I pray thee; for our family hath a sacrifice in the city; and my brother, he hath commanded me to be there: and now, if I have found favour in thine eyes, let me get away, I pray thee, and see my brethren. **Therefore he cometh not unto the king's table.** {30} Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said unto him, Thou son of the perverse rebellious woman, do not I know that thou hast chosen the son of Jesse to thine own confusion, and unto the confusion of thy mother's nakedness? {31} For as long as the son of Jesse liveth upon the ground, thou shalt not be established, nor thy kingdom. Wherefore now send and fetch him unto me, for he shall surely die. {32} And Jonathan answered Saul his father, and said unto him, Wherefore shall he be slain? what hath he done? {33} And Saul cast a javelin at him to smite him: whereby Jonathan knew that it was determined of his father to slay David. {34} **So Jonathan arose from the table in fierce anger, and did eat no meat the second day of the month: for he was grieved for David,** because his father had done him shame."

2. A lamb ate meat with the family that owned it. What was the family's economic situation?

Answer: Poor

(2 Sam 12:1-5) "And the LORD sent Nathan unto David. And he came unto him, and said unto him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor. {2} The rich man had exceeding many flocks and herds: {3} But the **poor man had nothing, save one little ewe lamb, which he had bought and nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his children; it did eat of his own meat, and drank of his own cup,** and lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter. {4} And there came a traveller unto the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring man that was come unto him; but took the poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that was come to him. {5} And David's anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan, As the LORD liveth, the man that hath done this thing shall surely die:"

3. What woman's prayer spoke of evil people being silenced in darkness?

Answer: Hannah.

(1 Sam 2:1-10 KJV) "And **Hannah** prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the LORD, mine horn is exalted in the LORD: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation. {2} There is none holy as the LORD: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock like our God. {3} Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let not arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed. {4} The bows of the mighty men are broken, and they that stumbled are girded with strength. {5} They that were full have hired out themselves for bread; and they that were hungry ceased: so that the barren hath born seven; and she that hath many children is waxed feeble. {6} The LORD killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up. {7} The LORD maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up. {8} He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and he hath set the world upon them. {9} He will keep the feet of his saints, and **the wicked shall be silent in darkness;** for by strength shall no man prevail. {10} The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed."

4. What priest (under the Mosaic law) was warned

that those left in his house would have to beg for food and money and a position as a priest?

Answer: Eli

1 Samuel 2:27 And **there came a man of God unto Eli, and said unto him**, Thus saith the LORD, Did I plainly appear unto the house of thy father, when they were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house? 28 And did I choose him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest, to offer upon mine altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? and did I give unto the house of thy father all the offerings made by fire of the children of Israel? 29 Wherefore kick ye at my sacrifice and at mine offering, which I have commanded in my habitation; and honourest thy sons above me, to make yourselves fat with the chiefest of all the offerings of Israel my people? 30 Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed that thy house, and the house of thy father, should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from me; for them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed. 31 Behold, the days come, that I will cut off thine arm, and the arm of thy father's house, that there shall not be an old man in thine house. 32 And thou shalt see an enemy in my habitation, in all the wealth which God shall give Israel: and there shall not be an old man in thine house for ever. 33 And the man of thine, whom I shall not cut off from mine altar, shall be to consume thine eyes, and to grieve thine heart: and all the increase of thine house shall die in the flower of their age. 34 And this shall be a sign unto thee, that shall come upon thy two sons, on Hophni and Phinehas; in one day they shall die both of them. 35 And I will raise me up a faithful priest, that shall do according to that which is in mine heart and in my mind: and I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before mine anointed for ever. 36 And it shall come to pass, that **every one that is left in thine house shall come and crouch to him for a piece of silver and a morsel of bread, and shall say, Put me, I pray thee, into one of the priests' offices, that I may eat a piece of bread.**

5. Under God's (Old Testament) law, what was the only tribe from which priests could be appointed?

Answer: Levi. The priesthood was originally restricted to Aaron and his sons (who were Levites), and other Levites were appointed to assist them. This is the way the Levites "earned their keep" rather than having a land inheritance among the other 12 tribes. Since no other tribe was ever named for the priesthood, the only way a non-Levite could be priest was by a change in the law.

(Num 3:9-10) "**And thou shalt give the Levites unto**

Aaron and to his sons: they are wholly given unto him out of the children of Israel. {10} And thou shalt appoint Aaron and his sons, and they shall wait on their priest's office: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death."

In one incident some Levites who were NOT priests tried to take authority:

Num 16:8-11 "And Moses said unto Korah, Hear, I pray you, ye sons of Levi: {9} Seemeth it but a small thing unto you, that the God of Israel hath separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to himself to do the service of the tabernacle of the LORD, and to stand before the congregation to minister unto them? {10} And he hath brought thee near to him, and **all thy brethren the sons of Levi with thee: and seek ye the priesthood also?** {11} For which cause both thou and all thy company are gathered together against the LORD: and what is Aaron, that ye murmur against him?"

Deuteronomy 18:1 - **The priests the Levites, and all the tribe of Levi**, shall have no part nor inheritance with Israel: they shall eat the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and his inheritance

An ungodly king took over the religion in his area and placed unqualified men in as priests. They were not Levites.

(1 Ki 12:31) "And he (Jeroboam) made an house of high places, and **made priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Levi.**"

The clearest passage to show the restriction of Old Testament priests to the tribe of Levi follows: Heb.7:5 And verily **they that are of the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood**, have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law, that is, of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:. . . 11 If therefore perfection were by the **Levitical priesthood**, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron? 12 For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law. 13 For **he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar.** 14 For it is evident that **our Lord sprang out of Juda; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood.** 15 And it is yet far more evident: for that after the similitude of Melchisedec there ariseth another priest, . . . 8:1 Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; . . . 4 For if he were on earth, he should not be a

Assignments	June 24	July 1
Song leader (SS)	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Announcements	Junior Conner	Mason Fisher
Songleader-Worship	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Scripture reading	T J Waldron	Andy Miller
Opening prayer	Mason Fisher	James Mason
Table service (center)	Joe Green	Mason Fisher
(center)	Nick Graham	Andy Miller
(outside)	Daniel Green	Joe Green
(outside)	T J Waldron	T J Waldron
Closing Prayer	Junior Conner	Lee Rose

priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to the law:

6. According to the NEW Testament, what was the work of a high priest?

Answer: To offer sacrifices for sins for himself and others.

Heb 2:17 "Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful **high priest** in things pertaining to God, to **make reconciliation for the sins of the people.**"

Heb 5:1 "For every **high priest taken** from among men is ordained for men in things pertaining to God, that he may **offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins:**"

Heb 8:3 "For **every high priest** is ordained to **offer gifts and sacrifices:**wherefore it is of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer."

Heb 9:7 "But into the second went the **high priest** alone once every year, not without blood, which **he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people:**"

7. In a previous question it was revealed that the law of Moses only allowed Levites to serve as priests. In light of that we ask: Who was the high priest who was a part of the tribe of Judah, and why was he allowed to serve?

Answer: Jesus. Because of his "endless life", his lack of need for offering for his own sins, and the annulment of the law of Moses. He was made a high priest by His Father.

(Heb 7:11-15 above)... {16} Who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life. {17} For he testifieth, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec. {18} For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for the weakness and unprofitableness thereof."

(Heb 5:4-5) "And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron. {5} So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee."

8. In a riddle, who used the word "meat" to refer to honey?

Answer: Samson.

(Judg 14:12-19 "And Samson said unto them, I will now put forth a riddle unto you: if ye can certainly declare it me within the seven days of the feast, and find it out, then I will give you thirty sheets and thirty change of garments: {13} But if ye cannot declare it me, then shall ye give me thirty sheets and thirty change of garments. And they said unto him, Put forth thy riddle, that we may hear it. {14} And he said unto them, **Out of the eater came forth meat, and out of the strong came forth sweetness.** And they could not in three days expound the riddle. {15} And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they said unto Samson's wife, Entice thy husband, that he may declare unto us the riddle, lest we burn thee and thy father's house with fire: have ye called us to take that we have? is it not so? . . . 18} And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before the sun went down, **What is sweeter than honey? and what is stronger than a lion?** And he said unto them, If ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye had not found out my riddle.

Record of our attendance:

Date	Classes	AM	PM	Contrib.	Wed.
05/20	25	33	23	\$598.25	18
05/27	18				
06/03	20	29	22	\$604.38	18
06/10	21	30	22	\$499.00	16
06/17	22	29	21	\$515.10	13
Goals	35	45*	36		35

Sick, Injured, and Rehabilitating

Kimberley Bryant has been able to return home and is doing well. Prayer list: Jessie Pearl Green, Laura Singleton, Vadna Trail, the Junior Conner family, Iva Rose, William Miller at NHC, Wayne Gannon's brother Robert, and Wesley Cardwell. William Miller has surgery this week for cataracts.

Reminder: Our **Gospel Meeting** is planned for July 22-25 with John Bush. We need to plan a special clean-up to spruce up our buildings. We will be planning our efforts to coordinate with people who will be helping us canvass the Beechgrove area very soon

