



# Beech Grove Church of Christ

meeting at Beech Grove, TN since 1875

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## Our Meeting

So many people worked together to make our meeting successful. Despite the loss of our speaker for the meeting, the attendance was encouraging. We express our deepest sympathy to John and Sunshine for the loss of that expected child after so joyous an announcement. We weep with them but cannot fully fathom their sense of loss.

But we would be amiss if we did not acknowledge those of you who attended despite physical infirmity. So many helped provide food and drink for our workers, and helped to make sure they were cared for. Some of you experienced the door knocking efforts and know better how to appreciate the help we received. Many of you made calls and visits, and helped welcome our guests. There are ongoing results as we continue to follow up on contacts. Pray for our success in reaching the honest seekers for truth.

### Sunday Schedule

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

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## Questions for week of July 29, 2007

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The TV cameras rolled as Saddam Hussein came out of the "spider-hole" in which he had been hiding. This week's questions will relate to various kinds of "holes" referred to in scripture, both OT and NT.

1. What animal, unlike Jesus, had a den in which to rest?
2. One prophet predicted that a certain part of the head would be "consumed" in its holes. What body part?
3. Where is the loss of wages described in terms of holes?
4. What nation's military men said that Hebrews had come out of hiding from a hole?
5. What article of clothing was ruined after being stored in a rocky hole?
6. What wild animal killed animals and put the meat in holes?
7. Proud people whom the Lord humbled with an earthquake, sending them in fear into holes and caves, would throw their metallic idols to what two animals?

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## Answers for week of July 22, 2007

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1. Why was a man knocking on a door left outside a house even though a friend recognized his voice?

Answer #1: Peter's friend was so happy to hear him that she ran in to tell others that Peter was there. (He had been in prison, and the group had been praying in the home of Mary the mother of John Mark.)

(Acts 12:11-17) "And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews. {12} And when he had considered the thing, he came to the house of Mary the mother of John, whose surname was Mark; where many were gathered together praying. {13} And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damsel came to hearken, named Rhoda. {14} And when she knew

Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and told how Peter stood before the gate. {15} And they said unto her, Thou art mad. But she constantly affirmed that it was even so. Then said they, It is his angel. {16} But Peter continued knocking: and when they had opened the door, and saw him, they were astonished. {17} But he, beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go show these things unto James, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went into another place."

#2 - Another good answer that some sent:

Answer: Because he and his children had already gone to bed for the night, a man did not immediately go to the door when a friend came to borrow bread for an unexpected guest.

Luke 11:5 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves; 6 For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him? 7 And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee. 8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.

2. What plague motivated Pharaoh to confess that he had sinned?

Answer: There were actually two, the plague of hail and fire, and the plague of locusts.

(Exo 9:23-30) "And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and the LORD sent thunder and hail, and the fire ran along upon the ground; and the LORD rained hail upon the land of Egypt. {24} So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. {25} And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field. {26} Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail. {27} And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: the LORD is righteous, and I and my people are wicked. {28} Entreat the LORD (for it is enough)

that there be no more mighty thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer. {29} And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands unto the LORD; and the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that thou mayest know how that the earth is the Lord's. {30} But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet fear the LORD God."

(Exo 10:12-17) "And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail hath left. {13} And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the LORD brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all that night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts. {14} And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very grievous were they; before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such. {15} For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land of Egypt. {16} Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you. {17} Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and entreat the LORD your God, that he may take away from me this death only."

3. What plague caused Pharaoh to ask for the plague to be removed "tomorrow"?

Answer: The plague of frogs

(Exo 8:8-14) "Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Entreat the LORD, that he may take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may do sacrifice unto the LORD. {9} And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Glory over me: when shall I entreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses, that they may remain in the river only? {10} And he said, To morrow. And he said, Be it according to thy word: that thou mayest know that there is none like unto the LORD our God. {11} And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river only. {12} And Moses and

Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto the LORD because of the frogs which he had brought against Pharaoh. {13} And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs died out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields. {14} And they gathered them together upon heaps: and the land stank."

"One more day with the frogs" . . . that's the sermon preached by a visiting preacher. I still remember the point. Pharaoh was satisfied to allow the frogs to stay in the land, though it seems in his power to ask for immediate relief. Thus it is with the sin in our lives. Rather than a hasty eradication, we seem to hold on for another day to the sins which so completely ensnare us.

4. Where was there a severe blackout in which only Israel had light?

Answer: Egypt. This was the 9th of ten plagues which God brought on Egypt to orchestrate the pressure on Pharaoh as he stood in the way to Israel's removal from slavery.

(Exo 10:21-23) "And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt. {22} And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days: {23} They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings."

There was also another instance of a difference in "lighting" for Egypt and Israel. The "pillar" of cloud moved from leading Israel out of Egypt. It rather was located between Israel and the approaching Egyptian troops, providing light on the side toward Israel, and darkening the Egyptian side. (Exo 14:19-20) "And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them: {20} And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night."

5. What compromise was rejected with the words, "Not a hoof. . . ."?

Answer: The compromise offered by Pharaoh was for Israel to go into the wilderness to worship, but leave their "cattle" behind in Egypt. The plagues on

Egypt occurred due to the hardened heart of Pharaoh and God's choice to amplify that hardness so that His power could be fully shown. The original demand of Moses and Aaron was to be allowed to go into the wilderness (desert) and hold a feast, making sacrifice to God.

(Exo 5:1-3) "And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness. {2} And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go. {3} And they said, The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD our God; lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword."

As time went on, Pharaoh began to suggest that Israel might worship, but stay in the land (6:25). . .then don't go too far (8:28). . .then take only the men but no children (10:10-11). . .and then go, but leave your livestock behind (10:24). It was this last compromise that Moses rejected with these words, "Our cattle also shall go with us . . . .Not an hoof be left behind." (10:26)

(Exo 10:20-27) "But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go. {21} And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt. {22} And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days: {23} They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings. {24} And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, Go ye, serve the LORD; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you. {25} And Moses said, Thou must give us also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the LORD

our God. {26} Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the LORD our God; and we know not with what we must serve the LORD, until we come thither. {27} But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go."

6. What did the tongue of a dog have to do with a division of soldiers?

Answer: Gideon picking soldiers under God's direction. The 300 chosen soldiers were those who had lapped water like a dog.

Judges 7:5 So he brought down the people unto the water: and the LORD said unto Gideon, Every one that lapped of the water with his tongue, as a dog lapped, him shalt thou set by himself; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink. 6 And the number of them that lapped, putting their hand to their mouth, were three hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed down upon their knees to drink water. 7 And the LORD said unto Gideon, By the three hundred men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the other people go every man unto his place. 8 So the people took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets: and he sent all the rest of Israel every man unto his tent, and retained those three hundred men: and the host of Midian was beneath him in the valley. 9 And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Arise, get thee down unto the host; for I have delivered it into thine hand

7. Where is a human foot and a canine tongue referred to together in scripture?

Answer: Psalm 68:22 The Lord said, I will bring again from Bashan, I will bring my people again from the depths of the sea: 23 That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies, and the tongue of thy dogs in the same. 24 They have seen thy goings, O God; even the goings of my God, my King, in the sanctuary.

This passage is in a context of God blessing His people and utterly defeating their enemies.

	July 29	August 5
<b>Song leader (SS)</b>	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
<b>Announcements</b>	Mason Fisher	Junior Conner
<b>Songleader-Worship</b>	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
<b>Scripture reading</b>	Daniel Green	T J Waldron
<b>Opening prayer</b>	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
<b>Table service (center)</b>	Joe Green	Joe Green
<b>(center)</b>	Nick Graham	Nick Graham
<b>(outside)</b>	T J Waldron	Daniel Green
<b>(outside)</b>	Andy Miller	Wayne Gannon
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Lee Rose	Junior Conner

We just learned today that Junior Conner is in the MTMC with a blood clot. Pray for him.