

# **Beech Grove Church of Christ**

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**Like Father, Like Son** Steve Higginbotham, Glasgow, KY

While at the office this afternoon, I received a telephone call from my 10 year old son. He said in a very quiet, solemn voice, "Daddy, I was going to mow the yard and I accidentally poured the gasoline where the oil is supposed to go and now the mower won't start."

Well, my first thought was money. That mower was nearly \$200.00. So I made sure he understood just how expensive a mistake he had made and I lectured him about being so careless, then I hung up.

After hanging up the phone, I sat and my desk and rehearsed my words in my mind. They were a little harsh and weren't very understanding. Then my mind went back to my own childhood. I recalled an occasion when I poured the wrong type of gasoline in my dad's new Lawnboy lawnmower, ruining it. How could I be so hard on my son when I had done the same thing?

So I left work and drove home to talk to my son. He was sitting in the chair with a sullen look, not wanting to make eye-contact. I said, "Matthew, do you want to know what happened to me when I was about your age?" He looked up at me and said, "What?" I said, "I was going to mow the lawn for grandma and granddad and I poured the wrong type of gasoline in granddad's lawnmower and ruined it." Immediately, a smile broke out across his face. Nothing more needed to be said, but I added one more comment. I said, "You know Matthew, you're a lot like your dad."

Parenting is not an easy proposition, and neither is being a child for that matter. So maybe if we're patient with each other, we'll both learn from our mistakes and grow.

P.S. - Anyone wanting to get rid of a used lawnmower?

Sunday Schedule		Mission Works and Evangelism:
Bible Classes	10 AM	House to House/ Heart to Heart
Worship	11 AM	Restoration Radio
Worship	6 PM	
Wednesday: Bible Classes	7 PM	Jim Waldron Manuelito Children's Home



## **Questions for week of August 5, 2007**

This week's questions will relate to the characteristics of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John **1.** Which of the above named books of the New Testament could be best characterized by its greater emphasis on prayer?

**2.** Which of the above named books of the New Testament does not contain an account of Christ's baptism, his temptation, or transfiguration?

Since this book will have no references to the above topics, you may want to submit evidence from the other books that they contain at least one of these topics.

**3.** Which of the four contain the most parables of Jesus, and which chapter in that book has the most parables?

**4.** Some have indicated that writing in which sentences begin with "And" are often full of continuous action. Also the word "straightway" refers to immediate or quick action. Which of the four gospel accounts (MT,MK, LK, JN) uses the word "And" to begin most of its chapters (as well as several other sentences)? (It also has 42 references to "straightway.") You do not have to list all of the references!

**5.** Which of the four gospel accounts (MT,MK, LK, JN) refers to the poor most often? (The word "poor" will not always be found, but the circumstances of the individuals will be revealed by other information.)

6. Which account is the only one to have an account of the bribing of the guards that had been at the tomb of Jesus?

7. Which account is the only one that does NOT have an explicit reference to Jesus as the light to those who were of Gentile background? (Give references to this in the other three)

Answers for week of July 29, 2007

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?

(Mat 8:18-20) Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart unto the other side. 19 And a certain scribe came, and said unto him, Master, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest. 20 And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

Luke 9:57-58. And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain man said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest. 58 And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

**2.** One prophet predicted that a certain part of the head would be "consumed" in its holes. What body part?

Answer: Eyes, Zech. 14:12

Zechariah 14:11 And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited. 12 And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth. 13 And it shall come to pass in that day, that a great tumult from the LORD shall be among them; and they shall lay hold every one on the hand of his neighbour, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbour.

Also, compare: Psalm 31:9

8 And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room. 9 Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, yea, my soul and my belly. 10 For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing: my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed. **3.** Where is the loss of wages described in terms of holes?

Answer: Earning wages and putting the wages into a bag with holes.

Haggai 1:5 Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.6 Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes. 7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

**4.** What nation's military men said that Hebrews had come out of hiding from a hole?

Answer: the Philistines. (1 Sam. 14:11)

6 And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be that the LORD will work for us: for there is no restraint to the LORD to save by many or by few. 7 And his armourbearer said unto him. Do all that is in thine heart: turn thee; behold, I am with thee according to thy heart. 8 Then said Jonathan, Behold, we will pass over unto these men, and we will discover ourselves unto them. 9 If they say thus unto us, Tarry until we come to you; then we will stand still in our place, and will not go up unto them. 10 But if they say thus, Come up unto us; then we will go up: for the LORD hath delivered them into our hand: and this shall be a sign unto us. 11 And both of them discovered themselves unto the garrison of the Philistines: and the Philistines said, Behold, the Hebrews come forth out of the holes where they had hid themselves. 12 And the men of garrison answered Jonathan and his the armourbearer, and said, Come up to us, and we will shew you a thing. And Jonathan said unto his armourbearer, Come up after me: for the LORD hath delivered them into the hand of Israel.

**5.** What article of clothing was ruined after being stored in a rocky hole?

Answer: A "girdle" (Jer. 13:7)

Jeremiah 13:1 Thus saith the LORD unto me, Go and get thee a linen girdle, and put it upon thy loins, and put it not in water. 2 So I got a girdle according to the word of the LORD, and put it on my loins. 3 And the word of the LORD came unto

me the second time, saying, 4 Take the girdle that thou hast got, which is upon thy loins, and arise, go to Euphrates, and hide it there in a hole of the rock. 5 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, as the LORD commanded me. 6 And it came to pass after many days, that the LORD said unto me, Arise, go to Euphrates, and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there. 7 Then I went to Euphrates, and digged, and took the girdle from the place where I had hid it: and, behold, the girdle was marred, it was profitable for nothing. 8 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 9 Thus saith the LORD, After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem. 10 This evil people, which refuse to hear my words, which walk in the imagination of their heart, and walk after other gods, to serve them, and to worship them, shall even be as this girdle, which is good for nothing.

**6.** What wild animal killed animals and put the meat in holes?

Answer: The lion

Nahum 2:12 The lion did tear in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses, and filled his holes with prey, and his dens with ravin.

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?

Answer: Moles and bats.

Isa 2:17-21 And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low: and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. 18 And the idols he shall utterly abolish. 19 And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth. 20 In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats; 21 To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

	August 5	August 12
Song leader (SS)	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Announcements	Junior Conner	Joe Green
Songleader-Worship	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Scripture reading	T J Waldron	Andy Miller
Opening prayer	Wayne Gannon	Lee Rose
Table service (center)	Joe Green	Tim Waldron
(center)	Nick Graham	Ken Thomas
(outside)	Daniel Green	Cole Gordon
(outside)	Wayne Gannon	Junior Conner
Closing Prayer	Junior Conner	James Mason

### **Gospel Meetings in the Area August 5-8: Pleasant Knoll** with Billy Hayes preaching. Tonight at 7:30; M-W at 7 PM.

### **Food for Thought**

The story is told of a little boy playing hide-and-seek with his friends. For some unknown reason they stopped playing while he was hiding. He began to cry. His old grandfather came out of the house to see what was troubling him and to comfort him. After learning what had happened, the grandfather said, "Do not weep, my child, because the boys did not come to find you. Perhaps you can learn a lesson from this disappointment. All of life is like a game between God and us. Only it is God who is weeping, for we are not playing the game fairly. God is waiting to be found, but many have gone in search of other things."

The Psalmist declared, "Seek the Lord, and his strength; seek his face evermore" (Psa. 105:4).

Jesus said, "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you; for everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened" (Mt. 7:1-8).

"Seek ye the Lord while he may be found; call ye upon him while he is near" (Isa. 55:6).

Tom Moore, North Main Church of Christ, Malvern, AR

#### **Reports from Beechgrove**

Junior Conner is out of MTMC after being treated for cellulitis in his legs. (It was not a blood clot as first thought.) Kim Bryant had to enter the Manchester hospital for supervision of conflicting medications. Sister Jessie Pearl Green seems to be responding well to her new medicines. Vadna Trail just keeps on plugging along making it to most night services. (She not only says she is glad to be her. . .she says she is glad to be anywhere!) Iva Rose seems to improve in her strenghth, but she still struggles with her injuries. Lee Rose has also had continued discomfort, but he is trying to keep going. James Mason has a lot of pains. Remember Ann in your prayers regarding her condition.

Joe and Michelle had a good trip to Montana, but were worn out when they got back. Joe says Montana is a "big" state! While they were away, Daniel was involved in the state baseball tournament, and his team took second place. Congratulations.

Our school children are back in school, and we wish them all a good year of studies. Ken Thomas is teaching this year in the math department at CCCHS. He will be teaching algebra and geometry.

We have had several visitors lately and are glad Charlene Turnbo has come several times. Ken and Judy are hoping to schedule a Bible study with her. Also, one of Ken's students at Vol State has agreed to a Bible study, along with her brother who is interested.

Please remind Ken of any news that needs to be reported. That would make accuracy easier to achieve.