



Church of Christ at Beech Grove

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Tidbits and Typos

A few weeks ago I noticed that the notice for Beech Grove Church of Christ in the Manchester Times (Devotional Page) had the preacher listed as having the same name as the preacher at the local Presbyterian Church. A call to the paper got that corrected. This week's listing has the preacher at Beech Grove as "**Rev. Kenneth Thomas**". I guess I need to give them another call!

I wish it were just a newspaper mistake, but I noticed in a recent article that a nearby "Church of Christ" had scheduled guest speakers for a youth meeting, men from local Baptist churches. (It was noted that one of the men was an accomplished musician.) We need to pray for the return of the distinctiveness of the Lord's church in every place. In our effort to win the erring from their error, we do not need to fellowship them and have their teachers teaching our young people. It seems that some brethren appreciate the favor and fellowship of those who are teaching error more than their own brethren with whom they formerly shared a common faith.

At one time Demas was a faithful co-worker with the apostle Paul (Col. 4:14; Phm 1:24), but later Paul had to give this sad notice: "For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. . ." (2Ti 4:10). There comes a time when we have to recognize apostasy and expose it to protect the gullible and untaught from deceitful error. "Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. 7 Therefore do not associate with them; 8 for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), 10 and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. 11 Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them" (Ephesians 5:6-11).

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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 September 7

“Who?”

1. Who offered 50% of his possessions for those in poverty?
2. Who hated the fact that he was alive so much that he wished the very date of his birth did not exist?
3. What person wanted to be immersed by someone who came to him for immersion?
4. What spokesman for God claimed to have a background in agriculture rather than a genealogical background as a prophet?
5. Whose harlotry and behavior as a witch prevented peace in a nation?
6. Whose animal was so badly mistreated that a vocal complaint was made against him?
7. Who said words that caused a tree to shrivel?

Answers for week of August 31

"Family Ties"

1. Who was born right after the death of his uncle, father, and grandfather?

Answer: (found in 1 Samuel 4:1 ff.) **Ichabod**, the child that was born after the death of Grandpa - Eli (verse 18) ; Father - Phineas (verse 11); Uncle - Hophni (verse 11). The mother also died (verse 20) Compare 1 Sam. 14:3.

1 Samuel 4: 4 So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from thence the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth between the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were there with the ark of the covenant of God. . . . 10 And the Philistines fought, and Israel was smitten, and they fled every man into his tent: and there was a very great slaughter; for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen. 11 And the ark of God was taken; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were slain. . . . 15 Now Eli was ninety and eight years old; and his eyes were dim, that he could not see. 16 And the man said unto Eli, I am he that came out of the army, and I fled to day out

of the army. And he said, What is there done, my son? 17 And the messenger answered and said, Israel is fled before the Philistines, and there hath been also a great slaughter among the people, and thy two sons also, Hophni and Phinehas, are dead, and the ark of God is taken. 18 And it came to pass, when he made mention of the ark of God, that he fell from off the seat backward by the side of the gate, and his neck brake, and he died: for he was an old man, and heavy. And he had judged Israel forty years. 19 And his daughter in law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, near to be delivered: and when she heard the tidings that the ark of God was taken, and that her father in law and her husband were dead, she bowed herself and travailed; for her pains came upon her. 20 And about the time of her death the women that stood by her said unto her, Fear not; for thou hast borne a son. But she answered not, neither did she regard it. 21 And she named the child Ichabod, saying, The glory is departed from Israel: because the ark of God was taken, and because of her father in law and her husband. 22 And she said, The glory is departed from Israel: for the ark of God is taken.

Edith Garges commented: Ichabod, son of Phinehas, nephew of Hophni, grandson of Eli. Incidentally, Ichabod's mother also died in childbirth, so he was truly left an orphan and didn't even have an uncle or grandfather to raise him, poor little guy! This was in fulfillment of the prophesy that God gave to Eli through Samuel, though, and it was the result of the wickedness of his sons, and the fact that he failed to correct them.

2. When two women claimed the same child, who decided who the real mother was?

Answer: King Solomon made the decision. (He is named in verse 15 after a discussion of the wisdom God had given him.)

1 Kings 3:16-27 Then came there two women, that were harlots, unto the king, and stood before him. 17 And the one woman said, O my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house. 18 And it came to pass the third day after that I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also: and we were together;

there was no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house. 19 And this woman's child died in the night; because she overlaid it. 20 And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while thine handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom. 21 And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, which I did bear. 22 And the other woman said, Nay; but the living is my son, and the dead is thy son. And this said, No; but the dead is thy son, and the living is my son. Thus they spake before the king. 23 Then said the king, The one saith, This is my son that liveth, and thy son is the dead: and the other saith, Nay; but thy son is the dead, and my son is the living. 24 And the king said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king. 25 And the king said, Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other. 26 Then spake the woman whose the living child was unto the king, for her bowels yearned upon her son, and she said, O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine, but divide it. 27 Then the king answered and said, Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she is the mother thereof.

3. Whose mother made coats for him yearly, though he did not live with her at the time?

Answer: Samuel's mother (Hannah) -

1 Sam 2:18-19 - But Samuel ministered before the LORD, being a child, girded with a linen ephod. 19 Moreover his mother made him a little coat, and brought it to him from year to year, when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice.

4. Where are grandchildren extolled?

Answer: Prov 17:6 Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.

(Just for a smile) - Some grandparents think so much of their role that they express regret for not jumping directly to being grandparents instead of taking all that effort being parents! :)

5. Whose children were spared death but their

fathers were executed for killing a king?

Answers: There are variants of names in parallel accounts. It is not my purpose to reconcile these, but often different names are applied to the same people.

1. **Zabad** the son of Shimeath an Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of Shimrith a Moabitess (2 Chron 24:26)

2. **Jozachar** the son of Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of Shomer (2 Kings 12:21). 2 Kings 14:6 & 2 Chr. 25:3-4 say their children were spared.

King who was killed: Joash or Jehoash – 2 Kings 12:18 And Jehoash king of Judah took all the hallowed things that Jehoshaphat, and Jehoram, and Ahaziah, his fathers, kings of Judah, had dedicated, and his own hallowed things, and all the gold that was found in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and in the king's house, and sent it to Hazael king of Syria: and he went away from Jerusalem. 19 And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

Killers: Zabad and Jehozabad

2 Chron. 24:24 For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men, and the LORD delivered a very great host into their hand, because they had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers. So they executed judgment against Joash. 25 And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases,) his own servants conspired against him for the blood of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew him on his bed, and he died: and they buried him in the city of David, but they buried him not in the sepulchres of the kings. 26 And these are they that conspired against him; Zabad the son of Shimeath an Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of Shimrith a Moabitess. 27 . . .And Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.

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2 Kings 12 : 20 And his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and slew Joash in the house of Millo, which goeth down to Silla. 21 For Jozachar the son of Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of Shomer, his servants, smote him, and he died; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.

Children spared: 2 Kings 14:1 In the second year of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel reigned Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah. . . .5 And it came to pass, as soon as the kingdom was confirmed in his hand, that he slew his servants which had slain the king his father. 6 But the children of the murderers he slew not: according unto that which is written in the book of the law of Moses, wherein the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every man shall be put to death for his own sin.

2 Chr 25:3 Now it came to pass, when the kingdom was established to him, that he slew his servants that had killed the king his father. 4 But he slew not their children, but did as it is written in the law in the book of Moses, where the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not die for the children, neither shall the children die for the fathers, but every man shall die for his own sin

6. Why did the son of Barachel get angry?

Answer: Because Job justified himself rather than God.

Job 32:2 - Then was kindled the wrath of Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the kindred of Ram: against Job was his wrath kindled, because he justified himself rather than God.

7. What king of Judah was grandson of Zechariah?

Answer: Hezekiah, the son of Abi (Abijah), the DAUGHTER of Zechariah (Zachariah)

Some of you probably looked for the fatherly line, but we get grandfathers from "both" sides of the family!

2 Kings:18:1 Now it came to pass in the third year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that Hezekiah the son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign. 2 Twenty and five years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Abi, the daughter of Zachariah. 3 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that David his father did.

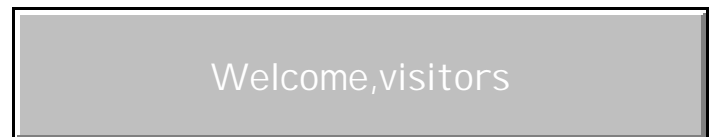
2 Chr 28:27 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city, even in Jerusalem: but

they brought him not into the sepulchres of the kings of Israel: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead. . . . 2 Chronicles 29: 1 Hezekiah began to reign when he was five and twenty years old, and he reigned nine and twenty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Abijah, the daughter of Zechariah.

Beech Grove News, Prayer Requests

Military connections: Andy Miller family, Drew and Adam Thomas. New convert: Matt Brandon. Laura Singleton is at the Manchester Health Care next to the hospital on Industrial Drive. William Miller is at NHC. Francis Cartright, Nancy Harvey's mother, is improved this week after a change in medicine. Sister Vadna Trail was not able to be out on Wednesday night.

Our youth will participate in the Bible Bowl again this year. The course of study is Luke, and the first test will be on chapters 1-4 the first Sunday in October.



Let us know how we may serve you. We are glad that we are frequently blessed with visitors, Most of the time visitors are familiar with what to expect in our services, but if you have any questions why we do as we do, feel free to ask.

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